STC Committee Meeting

Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 35 Held on 19 June 2007 Various via Teleconference

Present:	
David McMenemy	Committee Chairman
Bali Virk	Committee Secretary
Bec Thornton	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited Representative (NGET)
David Osborne	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
Kenny Stott	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
Joe Dunn	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
Diyar Kadar	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
Dipen Ghadia	Authority Representative
In Attendance:	
Lilian MacLeod - (Part)	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET)
John Zammit-Haber - (Part)	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET)
Brian Taylor	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET)
Mark Duffield - (Part)	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET)

1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

840. Apologies of absence were received from Layton Jones (NGET).

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

841. The draft minutes from the STC Committee Meeting held on 22nd May 2007 were APPROVED, subject to minor amendments and are available from the STC website.

Action: Committee Secretary

3. Review of Actions

- 842. All the outstanding actions from the previous meetings have been completed or were the subject of agenda items, except for:
 - Minute 567 (PLD and TOGA Interface) Following the circulation of SPT's paper regarding the outage planning process, NGET have requested that the relevant STC parties meet to discuss the matter further to propose an appropriate way forward. NGET's contacts are Richard Lamb at <u>Richard.lamb@uk.ngrid.com</u>) and Andy Wainright at <u>andy.wainright@uk.ngrid.com</u>).

Action: All

4. New Amendment Proposals

843. There were no new Amendment Proposals.

5. Working Group Reports

844. There were no Working Group Reports.

6. Proposed Amendment Reports

845. The Committee NOTED that the Amendment Report for CA025 (Amendment to STC

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regarding obligations in Connection Site Specification Submissions) is due to be submitted to Ofgem for decision on 20th June 2007.

846. The Committee AGREED for CA025 Amendment Report to be submitted to Ofgem by the close of business on the 20th June 2007, subject to minor amendments. The Amendment Report is to include an acknowledgment of the comments received from E.On.

Action: Committee Secretary

847. The STC Committee requested that the CA025 Amendment Report to be circulated to the STC Committee prior to being sent to Ofgem for comments.

Action: Committee Secretary

848. The Committee Secretary to acknowledge E.On's consultation response to CA023 and CA025 via email.

Action: Committee Secretary

- 849. E.On's CA023 consultation response highlighted that the Grid Code may require an amendment to enable the implementation of CA023 (exchange of Best View Investment Planning Data Outside the Boundary of Influence), CA024 (clarification of construction Planning Assumption Data Requirements) and CA026 (Exchange of Data Amongst Relevant Parties in schedules 5,6,7, 11 and 13) in accordance with Section B, Paragraph 7.2.5.1 of the STC. Following E.Ons consultation response JZH (NGET) will be taking forward to review at the JPC meeting in July 2007.
- 850. LM (NGET) informed the Committee that bilateral meetings are currently taking place with SPT and SHETL to discuss the implications of the Grid Code clause on the STC.
- 851. The Committee NOTED that it was NGET's view that an Extraordinary Grid Code meeting would be held in July to discuss proposed amendments to the Grid Code.
- 852. The Committee agreed given the interaction between Grid Code and the STC the best way forward would be to request an extension from Ofgem for CA023, CA024 and CA026.
- 853. The STC Chairman requested an extension from Ofgem for STC amendments CA023, CA024, and CA026. This extension would enable the Grid Code amendment process to commence with a view of submitting the STC and Grid Code amendment proposals to Ofgem for determination at the same time.
- 854. Ofgem agreed to a one month extension, with a view of extending this at the July STC meeting after DG (Ofgem) has been able to confirm the internal process at Ofgem.

Action: Ofgem

7. Amendment Reports

855. There were no Amendment Reports.

8. Pending Authority Decisions

856. There were no pending Authority Decisions.

9. Authority Decisions

857. There were no recent Authority Decisions.

10. STC Procedures

858. PA048 (Alignment of STC and STCP16-1 Obligations regarding User Works) seeks

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to improve process clarity and ensure consistency between existing STC provisions and STCP16-1 (Investment Planning) regarding the notification and impact on Users.

859. SPT and SHETL to forward comments to the Committee Secretary for circulation.

Action: SHETL/SPT/Committee Secretary

860. PA049 (Amendment to STCP19-3 regarding obligations in respect of Connection Site Specification) SHETL to forward comments prior to July meeting to the Committee Secretary for circulation.

Action: SHETL/Committee Secretary

11. Operational Metering

861. Brian Taylor (NGET) asked the SPT and SHETL representatives how this was working. SPT and SHETL parties expressed that this was working well, and in light of this it was decided to remove this as a standing agenda item, but with a view to be added back on the agenda as and when required.

Action: Committee Secretary

12. Black Start

862. The Committee NOTED that a Black Start Workshop was held in the beginning of June to discuss market issues. A further meeting is due to take place on the 26 June 2007. LM (NGET) to provide feedback at July STC meeting.

Action: NGET

13. Offshore Transmission

863. The Chairman of the STC contacted Bridget Morgan (Ofgem), who informed the STC Chairman that bilateral meetings have been taken place between Ofgem and the TO's. Working Groups are to be set up and Ofgem will be looking for representatives. The STC Chairman asked BM (Ofgem) if she could provide dates asap.

Action Ofgem

- 864. The Committee were informed that Ofgem's consultation regarding Offshore transmission would be published in July 2007.
- 865. Ofgem to consider giving a high level brief of the consultation at the July STC meeting subject to any confidential issues arising.

Action: Ofgem

14. STC Review

866. BT (NGET) updated the STC Committee with the main finding of the internal review that National Grid has undertaken recently. The Committee agreed that SHETL and SPT would carry out an internal review and bring back the findings/suggestions to the STC Committee.

Action: SPT/SHETL

867. BT (NGET) to circulate original STC Paper to DG (Ofgem).

Action: NGET

15. Grid Code Consultation B/07

- 868. MD (NGET) updated the STC Committee with the proposed Grid Code change.
- 869. SPT and SHETL to contact MD (NGET) to discuss implications on the STC of the proposed Grid Code change.

16. Reports from Sub-Committees

Charging User Group

870. The Committee NOTED that a meeting of ChUG had taken place in April, and minutes were circulated to the Committee.

<u> JPC</u>

871. The Committee NOTED that a meeting of JPC had taken place in April and the minutes were circulated to the Committee.

Safety Standing Group

872. Safety Standing Group is due to meet 17 September 2007 to discuss the specifics of the feasibility of merging OC8A and OC8B.

17. Impact of Other Code Modifications

- 873. The Committee NOTED the CAP146 presentation that was circulated. SPT and SHETL to look at the implications of CAP146 on the STC. SPT/SHETL to arrange a teleconference with Emma Carr (NGET) to discuss any particular issues.
- 874. BT (NGET) requested the STC Committee to put forward representative for the Grid Code Amendment on Rated MW to be contact Lilian MacLeod (NGET).

Action: NGET/SPT/SHETL

18. Publications

875. There has been no new data, identified by any of the STC Parties, which should be categorised as confidential.

19. Any Other Business

876. There were no other items identified for discussion by the Committee.

20. Date of Next Meeting

877. The next meeting of the STC Committee will be held on Tuesday, 17 July 2007 at 10am. The location will be determined closer to the actual meeting date.