# NGET/SPT/SHETL Joint Planning Committee Meeting

# Tuesday 24th April 2007

## **Novotel, Birmingham Airport**

## **Attendees**

SPT Colin Bayfield - CB David Adam - DA SPT David Carson - DC SPT Chandra Trikha - CT SHETL Jim Molley – JM SHETL Andrew Hiorns - AH **NGET** John Zammit-Haber - JZH **NGET** Duncan Rimmer - DR **NGET** Richard Proctor - RP **NGET** 

### Apologies for absence:

Keith Dan - KD NGET

### Notes of previous meeting

1. The notes of the previous meeting were presented and approved.

#### Actions arising/outstanding from last meeting

- 2. Outstanding actions were reviewed (see attached actions record).
- 3. Action 8/1 Both SPTL and NGET wrote to OFGEM requesting an Anglo-Scottish transfer derogation. The derogation been approved.
- 4. Action 8/2 Both SPT and SHETL have written to NGET detailing all outstanding data issues which NGET has now responded.

## Seven Year Statement (SYS)

- 5. Current progress of the SYS creation was presented by DR.
  Action 9/1 SPT and SHETL to provide SYS results to NGET by 4<sup>th</sup> May
  Action 9/2 NGET to return chapters 7, 8 and 9 to SPT and SHETL for comment by 9<sup>th</sup> May. NGET to provide the executive summary to SPT and SHETL for comment by 10<sup>th</sup> May.
- 6. All parties agreed the compliant SYS datasets should only contain realistic reinforcements and derogations including the Anglo-Scottish boundary should be applied.

Action 9/3 NGET to provide compliant datasets to SPT and SHETL by early June

7. CB queried the reinforcements required to sustain the 2.5GW of new generation capacity in North-East England at Blyth and Teeside. AH confirmed that all reinforcements would be put in place in England and Wales at so not place any further restriction on the Anglo-Scottish boundary.

## Review of peak demand and generation forecasts

8. DR reported demand forecasts are lower than for previous years. NGET Network Operations are concerned the ACS correction may be underestimated but the reduced demands may be from any number of other factors such as more embedded generation, reducing consumer and inductrial

- demand. It is not possible to determine to any further detail why the demands have decreased so significantly.
- 9. The IP ranking order is currently in the process of being prepared by DR. The positioning of generation in Scotland will depend on the expected completion date of many major reinforcements including the Beauly-Denny project. The ranking order will provide a forecast of expected generation extending out for a 15 year period.

Action 9/4 SHETL and SPT to agree and return to NGET the most likely commission date for the following projects:

- Inverarnan
- Beauly Denny
- Beauly Blackhillock
- Beauly Keith
- 10. DA expressed concern the wind farm capacity in the SPT area ramped-up much earlier in the December released ranking order than in the June release. DA expects 2.5GW of wind capacity in 2010 rather than the forecast 3.5GW.

Action 9/5 All parties to review the ranking order when released by DR

#### Sensitivities for alternate studies

11. DR is currently working on preparing a New Energy Markets Outlook Review document which is due for release in September. Scenarios which will be reported include:

Demand High winter peak

Low winter peak Base winter peak

Variation due to economy

Changes in embedded generation

Generation Nuclear

- No extension to existing plant

Extended operation of existing plantSome existing plant gets extended

- New build

Clean coal built New wind farms built

CCGT as the only large scale alternative

Mothballing of existing plant

Accommodation for infrastructure

#### PA048 – Alignment of STC and STCP16-1 – Obligations regarding third party works

12. JZH has prepared the change request to align the STC and STCP16-1 with respect to third party works.

Action 9/6 SPT and SHETL to return any comments to their STC committee member and JZH

# Connection Site Specifications (CSS)

13. JZH presented the proposal to change the CSS with a new template. The aim for the enduring process is to have the CSS replace the TOCA's once connection has been established. A trial run of the new template and process is to be completed by both SPT and SHETL.

Action 9/7 SPT and SHETL to provide comments back to JZH

#### Investment Planning

14. Everyone agreed the 2007 investment planning should follow the same timeline as used for the previous years.

- 15. The study years for 2007 investment planning will be years 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 10 with additional resource committed to study year 15.
- 16. The investment planning ranking order is not to be split according to Boundary of Influence (BOI) to maintain consistency between all parties. Before the full ranking order can be supplied to SPT and SHETL changes must be made to STC Schedule 3 removing the BOI requirement. The STC modification has been instigated by NGET and is waiting approval by all parties. If the Schedule 3 change is not implemented in time to allow the full ranking order to be supplied to SPT and SPTL a temporary derogation will be sought.

Action 9/8 SPT and SHETL to expedite their response to OFGEM approving the STC Schedule 3 change.

# **DigSilent transition**

17. RP reported the transitions to DigSilent PowerFactory is currently experiencing delays due to problems creating the data models.

### **Data Issues**

- 18. A conflict exists in the planning code over the treatment of large embedded generation when providing of customer fault infeed data. This has led to the double counting of fault infeeds from some large embedded generators which are explicitly modelled.
- Action 9/9 Keith Dan to change the customer guidance for week 24 data submission to explicitly define the requirement for fault infeed data.
- 19. SHETL and SPT require direct access to Non-Embedded Customer (NEC) demand data.

  Action 9/10 SPT and SHETL to formally request in writing provision of the NEC demand data

### Date of next meeting

20 The next meeting will be held at the SPT offices on 24th July 2007