STC Committee Meeting

Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 42 Held on 15 January 2008 Various via Teleconference

Present:	
Diyar Kadar	Committee Chairman
Bali Virk	Committee Secretary
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
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Lilian Macleod	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET)
	Representative
Jenny Boothe	Authority Representative
Apologies:	
David McMenemy	Committee Chairman
Layton Jones	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET)
	Representative
Dipen Ghadia	Authority Representative

1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

1112 Apologies of absence were received from David McMenemy, Layton Jones, Dipen Ghadia and Bec Thornton.

Representative

National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET)

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Bec Thornton

The draft minutes from the STC Committee Meeting held on 18 December 2007 were approved subject to a minor amendment and will be available from the STC website.

Action: Committee Secretary

3. Review of Actions

- 1114 All the outstanding actions from the previous meetings have been completed or were the subject of agenda items, except for:
 - Minute 1103 DG to clarify to the STC Committee any potential governance changes at the early stage. DG to report back to the STC Committee before or in the January 2008 meeting. – JB to confirm by email.
 - Minute 1105 BT requested nominations for involvement in a conference call, on this subject, to be organised in the second half of January 2008. SPT/SHETL to forward nominations before February STC meeting.
 - Minute 1109 Ofgem's "Open Letter" BT has asked the STC Committee if there was a view send a joint response to this. KS confirmed via email on the 9 January the SSE would be formulating a group response.
 Post meeting Note: Further discussions were taken place outside the STC Committee meeting and it was agreed the STC Committee will not be responding to the "Open Letter". It was felt that there were no major issues with STC and the three parties are individually responding to the "Open Letter".

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4. New Amendment Proposals

1115 There were no new Amendment Proposals.

5. Working Group Reports

1116 There were no Working Group Reports.

6. Proposed Amendment Reports

1117 There were no Proposed Amendment Reports.

7. Amendment Reports

1118 There were no Amendment Reports.

8. Pending Authority Decisions

- 1119 The STC Committee noted that CA027 (Miscellaneous Amendments as a Consequential affect of CA025) and CA028 (Amendment to the Governance Framework Timescales) had been submitted to the Authority for determination on the 19 December 2007.
- JB informed the STC Committee that a decision relating to CA028 would be issued on the 16 January 2008 and a decision for CA027 would be issued by the Authority by 23 January 2008. **Post meeting note:** Jenny Booth notified the STC Committee Secretary the decision letter for CA028 will be issued on Friday 18 January 2008.

Action: Authority

9. Authority Decisions

1121 There were no Authority decisions.

10. STC Procedures

1121 PA048 – Alignment of STC and STCP16-1 (Obligations regarding obligations in respect of Connection Site Specifications) JD to provide rewording no later than the next meeting scheduled 18 March 2008.

Action: SPT

11. Black Start Review

- DO and LM informed the STC Committee that the recommendation from the Grid Code Black Start Working Group t was currently being consulted upon, the consultation is due to close on the 31 January 2008.
- 1123 DO and LM confirmed to the STC Committee the Grid Code Consultation has no implications on the STC.
- The STC Committee agreed for this to be removed as an Agenda item, with a view to include Black Start on the Agenda as and when required.

Action: Committee Secretary

1125 LM informed the STC Committee that the BSC have established an Issues Group which would be tasked with looking at Black Start issues which may affect the market.

12. Offshore Transmission

1126 JB informed the STC Committee that the Authority have published a Regulatory

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Policy Update consultation document on the 14 January 2008, with a closing date of 25 February 2008.

1127 JB encourage the STC Committee Parties to respond to the consultation.

13. Impact of other Code Modifications

- 1128 The Committee noted the update on the latest developments/topics of discussion from the other codes.
- LM informed the STC Committee that the Grid Code Rated MW Working Group had identified a possible solution which would have possible implications for the GB Transmission System. LM will forward a summary of the Working Group discussions to date, providing a description of the potential solution. It would be appreciated if SPT and SHETL could considered the potential solution and identify any possible issues for their Transmission Area.

Action: LM/SPT/SHETL

14. Reports from Sub-Committees

1131 The STC Committee noted that an update for the Charging User Group and JPC will be given at the February STC Meeting as these had not taken place at the time of the January STC meeting.

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15. Any Other Business

- 1132 BV informed the STC Committee that Lilian Macleod will be taking over the role of STC Committee Secretary on an interim basis of initially 3 months in BV's absence.
- BV informed the STC Committee that a "Subscribe" facility would be available across the CUSC, Grid Code and STC websites. This would allow industry participants to subscribe to the channels and receive updates when the sites have been updated on a daily weekly or monthly basis.
- 1134 BV reminded the STC Committee Members the two month trial for not producing the headline report was coming to an end. Positive feedback was received to continue without a headline report being produced after each meeting and the Minutes will only be produced.

16. Publications

1135 There has been no new data identified by any of the STC Parties, which should be categorised as confidential.

17. Date of Next Meeting

1136 The next meeting of the STC Committee will be held on Tuesday, 19 February 2008 at 10.00am.

Action: Committee Secretary