STC Committee Meeting

Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 47 Held on 18 June 2008 Various via Teleconference

Present:	
Bec Thornton	Committee Chairman (NGET)
Layton Jones	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET) Representative
Lilian Macleod	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET) Representative
Kenny Stott	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
Deborah MacPherson	SP Transmission Limited Representative (SPT)
Diyar Kadar	SP Transmission Limited Representative (SPT)
In Attendance:	
John Zammit-Haber Kathryn Sorrell	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET) National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET)
Apologies:	
David Osborne Jenny Boothe Stephanie Stewart	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Authority Representative Committee Secretary (NGET)

1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

1255 Apologies of absence received from Stephanie Stewart (NGET), David Osborne (SHETL), Jenny Boothe (Authority Representative).

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes from the last STC Committee Meeting held on 20 May 2008 were approved subject to minor amendments and will be available from the STC web site.

Action: Committee Secretary

3. Review of Actions

- All the outstanding actions from the previous meeting have been completed or were the subject of agenda items except for:
 - Minute 1236 It was agreed that STCP03-1 would need amending if CA029 was approved. NGET to circulate draft proposed changes prior to next STC Committee Meeting.

Action: NGET

 Minute 1236 – It was also agreed that there would be a requirement for a new STCP for charging purposes as a result of CA029. SPT to draft the proposed STCP under the auspices of ChUG with a view to circulating any drafts when they are ready to the STC Committee.

Action: SPT

4. New Amendment Proposals

1258 There were no New Amendment Proposals.

5. Working Group Reports

1259 There were no Working Group Reports

6. Proposed Amendment Reports

1260 There were no Proposed Amendment Reports

7. Amendment Reports

1261 CA029 – Investigation of a Relevant Interruption of a User and Interruption Payment obligations associated with such an Interruption. The Proposed Amendment Report went out to consultation on 2nd June 2008 and the consultation closed on 16th June 2008. There were no comments received. SPT to provide analysis and impact assessment by close of play on 19th June 2008.

Action: SPT

1262 Following receipt of SPT's assessment, NGET will finalise the Amendment Report and circulate to STC Committee for comment week commencing 23rd June 2008.

Action: NGET

8. Pending Authority Decisions

1263 There are no Authority decisions pending.

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1264 There were no Authority decisions.

10. STC Procedures

PA048 (Alignment of STC and STCP16-1 Obligations regarding User Works) – discussions continue regarding the finalisation of an agreed set of changes. Four items remain outstanding. SPT has provided comments on the latest proposed changes to STCP16-1 and National Grid has reviewed SPT's comments and provided feedback to SPT. SPT to consider feedback.

Action: SPT

11. Grid Code Data Exchange Working Group

- 1266 The STC Committee NOTED that the Grid Code Review Panel had approved theat the recommendation of the Data Exchange Working Group should proceed to industry consultation for a period of 4 weeks. The consultation period commenced on 13th June 2008.
- 1267 NGET to work up the STC proposed amendment which would result from the Grid Code amendment and circulate to the JPC for discussion at the next JPC meeting scheduled for 10th July 2008.

Action: NGET

12. Transmission Access

- The STC Committee was INFORMED that the three external Working Group established to review the CUSC Transmission Access Amendments (CAP161 -166) has met at least three times each. Working Group 1 is focussing on short term products which will probably have little affect on the STC. Working Group 2 is considering the two long term products which will have more of an impact on the STC in terms of connection processes and investment planning. Working Group 3 is an enabling group which is primarily looking at the zonal definitions and local connections.
- 1269 The STC Committee AGREED to meet on 12th August 2008 to discuss the proposals further with consideration of the impact on the STC. SPT and SHETL to respond to

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NGET with attendance. NGET to circulate meeting details to the STC Committee.

Action: NGET, SPT and SHETL

13. Offshore Transmission

The STC Committee was INFORMED that Ofgem had provided an early sight of the code change proposals which NGET circulated to the STC Committee. Ofgem and BERR issued the Offshore Transmission Consultation Document on 13th June 2008, outlining all proposed Code and Licence changes with final responses due on 25th July 2008. If the response is material in nature, then it should be received by Ofgem by 4th July 2008.

1271 The STC Committee was REMINDED that National Grid is holding an industry workshop on 19th June 2008 to discuss the draft proposals. Anyone interested in attending the session should contact Graham Stein, National Grid.

14. Environmental Objectives

The STC Committee was REMINDED of a cross Code Working Group which has been established under the CUSC, which will be tasked to provide advice/guidance to the Industry Code Panels regarding the quantification, assessment of this objective. The CUSC Amendments Panel had formally extended an invitation to the STC Committee to participate in this Working Group. It is expected that the first meeting will take place at the beginning of July 2008. The STC Committee should confirm its nomination to CUSC Amendment Panel Secretary (Beverley Viney - National Grid).

Action: STC Committee

15. Impact of other Code Modifications

- 1273 The STC Committee NOTED the update in the latest developments/topics of discussion from the other Industry Codes.
- 1274 The STC Committee was INFORMED that a CUSC Working Group had been established for CAP167 (Definition of a threshold(s) associated with the request for a Statement of Works) which may have an impact on the STC
- 1275 Proposed Grid Code Amendment B/07 is being reviewed by the Authority with a view to an implementation date of 2011. The STC will need amending if the Grid Code amendment is approved.
- 1276 The Grid Code Review Panel is considering Grid Code compliance at present which will have an impact on the STC when the Offshore regime is implemented.

16. Reports from Sub-Committees

- The STC Committee NOTED the draft minutes from the Joint Planning Committee (JPC) meeting held on 24th April 2008. There were no issues to discuss at this STC Committee meeting. The next JPC meeting is planned for 10th July 2008.
- The STC Committee NOTED the draft minutes from the Charging User Group (ChUG) meeting held on 28th May 2008. The STC Committee NOTED that the ChUG was working on amendments to STCP13-1 and STCP14-1 and the STC Committee would be furnished with draft changes in due course. The STC Committee NOTED that under the auspices of ChUG SPT would be drafting a new STCP to capture the process of CAP48 payments as a result of the proposed amendment CA029. The next ChUG meeting will be on 10th September 2008.

17. Any Other Business

The STC Committee was INFORMED that Bec Thornton would not be present at the next STC Committee meeting scheduled for 15th July 2008. The STC Committeee NOTED that Lilian Macleod would be acting Chairperson in Bec's absence.

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- 1280 The STC Committee NOTED that Kathryn Sorrell would be replacing Layton Jones as NGET Representative, effective immediately. Members thanked Layton for his services on the STC Committee.
- The STC Committee AGREED to hold the August STC Committee meeting on 12th August 2008 rather than 19th August 2008 to run concurrently with the Transmission Access meeting on 12th August in Warwick.

18. Publications

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

19. Next Meeting

1283 The next meeting of the STC Committee will be held on Tuesday, 15th July 2008 at 10.00am.