

## Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 54 Held on 20 January 2009 Various via Teleconference

### Present:

Bec Thornton	Committee Chairman (NGET)
Bali Virk	Committee Secretary (NGET)
John Zammit-Haber	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited(NGET)
Richard Proctor	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited(NGET)
Kenny Stott	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
David Osborne	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
Deborah MacPherson	SP Transmission Limited Representative (SPT)
Diyar Kadar	SP Transmission Limited Representative (SPT)
Abid Sheikh	Authority Representative

### 1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

1477 Apologies of absence were received from Stephen Curtis.

### 2. Minutes of Last Meeting

1478 The minutes from the last STC Committee Meeting held on 16 December 2008 were approved and will be available from the STC website shortly.

### 3. Review of Actions

1479 All the outstanding actions from the previous meeting have been completed or were the subject of agenda items except for:

- **Minute 1453** – BT to arrange teleconference in January 2009 to discuss Grid Code change B/07 – Improved Planning Code Data Exchange for Compliance Assessments.

**Action: NGET**

### 4. New Amendment Proposals

1480 There were no new Amendment Proposals.

### 5. Working Group Reports

1481 There were no Working Group Reports.

### 6. Proposed Amendment Reports

1482 The Committee Secretary confirmed that CA031 – Definition of Threshold(s) associated with the Request of Statement of Works Draft Amendment report was circulated to the Committee for comment.

1483 The STC Secretary informed the Committee that the industry consultation for CAP167 closed on the 12 January 2009 and 11 responses were received. NG has published the Draft Amendment Report and is available on the National Grid website. CAP167 will be presented to the CUSC Panel on the 30 January 2009 for panel vote, and the Final Amendment Report with the CUSC vote outcome will be published w/c 2 February with view to sending it to the Authority w/c 16 February 2009.

1484 Comments were received from SP and have been incorporated into the draft Amendment Report. SHETL to provide comments to STC Committee Secretary by the

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2 February 2009, following the CUSC Panel vote on 30 January 2009.

**Action: SHETL**

### 7. Amendment Reports

1485 There were no Amendment Reports.

### 8. Pending Authority Decisions

1486 There were no pending Authority Decisions.

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1487 The STC Committee noted that the Authority had approved CA030 - (Clarification of which User Data can be disclosed to a Transmission Owner) on the 14 January 2009 with an implementation date of 21 January 2009.

### 10. STC Procedures

1488 The Committee Secretary confirmed that the formal sign off process for STCP01-1 (Operational Switching) had taken place on 14 January. 2009 and the National Grid website has been updated accordingly.

1489 The Committee Secretary asked members about the usage of the BETTA Extranet site which is currently being used for STCPs. Members felt that is adequate just to have the STCPs placed on the National Grid website and discontinue using the BETTA Extranet site. SHETL confirmed that they were in agreement with this. DO from SPT was also in agreement, DMcP to confirm to the Committee Secretary agreement of this.

**Action: SPT**

1490 DMcP informed the STC Committee that CHUG meeting had been postponed until the 1<sup>st</sup> week in February. SPT to draft a STCP in relation to CA029 (Investigation of Relevant Interruption of a User and Interruption Payment Obligations associated with such an Interruption) for the CHUG meeting and present it if agreed at the February 2009 STC Committee meeting.

**Action: DMcP**

1491 PA048 (Alignment of STC and STCP16-1 Obligations regarding User Works) JZH and DMcP confirmed that a revised draft with revised Project Listing Document will be circulated to the STC Committee for comment. DMcP and JZH informed the STC Committee that there is a split in the companies view on interpretation of respective Transmission Licence requirements and a note will be submitted with the revised STCP16-1 with the respective interpretations.

**Action: JZH/DMcP**

1492 Respective companies to put their views together and hold a meeting with Ofgem to then write a note together and discuss at the next STC meeting.

**Action: JZH/DMcP**

### 11. Transmission Access

1493 BT informed the Committee that the CUSC Transmission Access Modifications CAP161-CAP165 are currently with Ofgem for impact assessments.

1494 BT to draft Local Capacity Nomination legal text to accompany draft STC Amendment Proposal with a view to submitting formally to the STC Committee in February 2009.

**Action: BT**

1495 The STC Committee debated the work that needs to be carried out as a consequence

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of the CUSC Transmission Access modifications. BT to put a timetable together for the STC modifications detailing dates and actions to be completed by the STC Committee.

**Action: BT**

### 12. Offshore Transmission

1496 AS confirmed that the latest policy Consultation on Offshore Transmission, including proposed changes to industry codes, which was released on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2008 closed on the 9<sup>th</sup> January 2009. Ofgem are considering the responses.

1497 A further consultation will be released in March 2009 which will include the code changes and a policy to have these designated by the Secretary of State in June 2009, the "Go Active" date.

1498 BT asked the Authority for clarification on proposals being put forward. Should we put two amendments proposals forward in parallel - one to amend current STC and one to amend Offshore version of the STC. AS informed the STC Committee that further information will be released shortly.

1499 BT to speak to Offshore team at National Grid for advice on the drafting for Offshore proposals.

**Action: NGET**

1500 BT Informed the STC Committee that an email will be sent informing you when a new STCP for offshore is available. The following link will take you to National Grid website where the Offshore documents can be found at:  
<http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/offshoreProject/codes/>

1501 Draft version of the Offshore STC can be found on the Ofgem website at the following link:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/ElecCodes/SOTOCCode/Pages/SOTOCCode.aspx>

### 13. Environmental Objective

1502 BT informed the STC Committee that a Guidance note has been out together and circulated to the STC Committee members. BT told the Committee that the guidance document will be used by the CUSC Panel. SPT and SHETL to provide comments.

**Action: SPT/SHETL**

### 14. Code Governance

1503 AS updated the Committee as to the status of the Code Governance Review.

1504 BT informed the STC Committee that as Chair she had responded to the Ofgem consultation on the code objectives and the environment issue on 16 January 2009. A copy of the response was circulated to the STC Committee.

1505 Ofgem had previously identified the following six work-strands that have been taken forward as part of the industry codes governance review:

1. Charging methodologies
2. Code objectives and the environment
3. Major policy reform/self governance package
4. Role of code administrators
5. Small participant initiatives
6. Fragmentation and complexity of code governance

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- 1506 AS informed the Committee that Charging Methodologies – a consultation on bringing the Charging Methodologies within the codes governance processes closed on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2009;
- 1507 Code objectives and the environment – a consultation on adding to, or enhancing, current code objectives, especially taking into account the greater emphasis on sustainability in the Authority's statutory duties, was issued in November 08 and closed on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2009;
- 1508 Role of code administrators – a consultation was issued on 19 December 2008 and closes on 27 February 2009. BT confirmed that a response would need to be given to this consultation on behalf of the STC Committee. BT to draft a response and circulate to STC Committee for comment.
- Action: NGET**
- 1509 Major Policy reform/self governance package – consultation was issued on the 19 December 2008 and closes on 27 February 2009. BT Confirmed that response would need to be given to this consultation on behalf of the STC Committee. BT to draft a response and circulate to STC Committee for comment.
- Action: NGET**
- 1510 AS informed the Committee that a Seminar will be held on the 11 February 2009 on Major Policy reform/self governance package consultation. Details of the event can be found on the Ofgem website.
- 1511 Fragmentation and complexity of code governance – the report from the working group is being prepared and will be out in February 2009.

### 15. Impact of Other Code Modifications

- 1512 The STC Committee members noted the contents of the Codes Summary Report.

### 16. Reports from Sub Committees

- 1513 There were no Sub Committee reports.

### 17. Any Other Business

- 1514 There was no other business.

### 18. Publications

- 1515 There has been no new data identified by any of the STC Parties, which should be categorised as confidential.

### 19. Next Meeting

- 1516 The next meeting of the STC Committee will be held on **Monday, 16 February 2009 at 2.00pm.**