

STC Committee Meeting

Draft Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 69 Held on 25th May 2010 Via Teleconference

Present:

Deborah MacPherson (DMcP)	Committee Chairman (SPT)
Kabir Ali (KA)	Committee Secretary (NGET)
Bec Thornton (BT)	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Kathryn Sorrell (KSL)	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Susan Mwape (SM)	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Tom Derry (TD)	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Dave Osborne (DO)	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL)
Allan Macleod (AMc)	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Abid Sheikh (AS)	Authority Representative (Ofgem)

1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

Apologies of absence were received from Alec Morrison (SHETL) Kenny Stott (SHETL)

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

1886 The minutes from the last STC Committee Meeting held on 27th April 2010 were approved with several minor changes and will be uploaded on the STC website.

Action: NGET (KA)

3. Review of Actions

1887 The outstanding actions were reviewed as follows:

- **Minute 1596-** Confidentiality issue, BT informed the Committee that generic Manufacturer Data is the only confidentiality issue currently being looked at to improve transparency. BT will continue to report back to the STC Committee on NGET's progress.

Action: NGET (BT)

- **Minute 1735** – KA requested that, in accordance with the Transmission Licence, the Authority consented to some STC housekeeping amendments (date), KA to respond to the Authority's queries.

Action: NGET (KA)

- **Minute 1856** – BT confirmed that NGET were not going to raise any amendment proposals to the STC for the OFTO settlement metering requirements.

- **Minute 1858** – All members provided information on personnel changes, KA to make amendments to National Grid website.

Action: NGET (KA)

- **Minute 1878** – BT confirmed that the Grid Code amendment A/10 (Compliance) had no consequential impact on the STC.

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All other actions are either completed or were discussed under relevant Agenda items.

4. New Amendment Proposals

Amendment Proposal CA037

1888 CA037 was presented by SM to the members at the May STC Committee meeting. The proposal seeks to put in place a list of party details within the STC under a new Schedule A. The STC committee welcomed the proposal and agreed for it to progress to the Assessment and Report Stage. The Committee also agreed to follow the below time line as a guidance.

1889 BT suggested that the following timetable be followed:

CA037	Action	Time
Assessment & Report Phase	Comments on the Amendment Proposal and associated proposed text to BT (All)	1st June 2010
Draft Amendment Report	Send draft Amendment Report to STC Committee (SM)	3rd June 2010
Company Assessment	All to provide company assessment and any other comments to BT (All)	14th June 2010
Draft Amendment Report	Formal Submission of draft Amendment report to June STC Committee meeting (SM)	15th June 2010
Approval draft Amendment Report	At June STC Committee meeting, approval draft Amendment Report and agreement of consultation timescale(All)	22 June 2010
Consultation period	KA to circulate draft Amendment Report to industry for consultation	23 June 2010

Action: (All)

Amendment Proposal CA038

1890 CA038 was presented by TD to the members at the May STC Committee meeting. The proposal seeks to put in place a transitional election arrangement for Offshore Transmission Owners (OFTOs). The amendment proposes to amend Paragraph 6 of Section B (Governance) to create a 'Transitional Period' in which OFTOs are able to be represented on the STC Committee for the period which Annex B1 of Section B does not allow.

1891 The Committee agreed to follow the below time line as a guidance.

CA038	Action	Time
Proposed legal text	Send proposed legal text to STC Committee (TD)	1st June 2010
Proposed legal text	Comments on proposed legal text to TD by STC Committee (All)	7th June 2010
Evaluation Phase or Assessment and Report Phase	At June STC Committee meeting, agree on Evaluation or A&R phase (All)	22nd June 2010
Draft Amendment Report for Consultation	Send draft Amendment Report to STC Committee (TD)	23rd June 2010
Comments/ Company Assessment	All to provide company assessment and any other comments to (All)	30th June 2010
Draft Amendment	To be submitted with STC Committee	20th July 2010

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Report	papers to July STC Committee meeting (TDI)	
Approval draft Amendment Report	At July STC Committee meeting, approval draft Amendment Report and agreement of consultation timescale(All)	27th July 2010
Consultation period	KA to circulate draft Amendment Report to industry for consultation	28th July 2010

Action: (All)

- 1892 AS to consider whether CA038 can proceed as an urgent Amendment proposal. It was noted that OFTOs do not have the right to comment on an Amendment Proposal until they are Parties to the STC. They could only comment on the draft Amendment Report when it is circulated to the wider industry. Furthermore it was noted; NGET have no circulation list of the prospective OFTOs therefore informing the OFTO's of any current or potential Amendment proposals would be impossible.

Action: (AS)

5. Amendment Proposals

Amendment Proposal CA035

- 1893 CA035 BT circulated the legal text following the April STC Committee meeting. The Committee had commented that explicit clarity is needed on the new paragraph 8 of Section K of "any testing". In addition AS commented that paragraph 1.1 of Section K did not seem to line up with new paragraph 1.1.9 of Section K. BT to review and amend the proposed legal text and re-circulate to the STC Committee. Following agreement of amendments proposed, the Amendment Proposal is to proceed directly to Assessment and Report phase.

Action: NGET: (BT)

Amendment Proposal CA036

- 1894 CA036 the Offshore Development Information Statement (ODIS) was presented at the April STC Committee meeting. Obligations are placed on the TO to support NGET prepare the (ODIS). At the May STC Committee the members agreed for the proposal to proceed to Assessment and Report Phase. BT is to circulate the draft Amendment Report to the STC Committee for comment within the next two weeks..

Action: NGET (BT)

- 1895 BT to update the STC Committee on the drafting of the corresponding STCP for ODIS.

Action: NGET (BT)

6. Working Group Reports

- 1896 There were no Working Group reports.

7. Proposed Amendment Reports

- 1897 There were no proposed Amendment Reports.

8. Amendment Reports

- 1898 There were no Amendment Reports.

9. Pending Authority Decisions

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10. Authority Decisions

1900 None

11. STC Procedures

1901 **PA048 – STCP 16-1** Inclusive of Offshore changes. A tripartite meeting had taken place between SPT, Ofgem and NGET. The group had agreed the second interpretation of 16-1 incorporating charges was best suited. BT to update STCP16-1 and circulate to STC Committee with the alternative proposal and DMCP to raise this at the next CHUG meeting.

Action: NGET (BT)/(DMCP)

1902 **Minute 1847** STCP19-5 Initial comments have been provided by SPT although KS is still to provide detailed feedback. There is a requirement to have references to "Affected TOs" in 19-5 and links to other STCPs in the 19 series but these are currently missing. Mark Horley responded to SHETL and SPT's concerns by e-mail on 17th May 2010. AMD had commented that 19-5 needs to be a closer resemblance to 19-3. Hamish and Allan to continue to liaise with Mark Horley to resolve issue. All to provide update at next STC Committee meeting.

Action: NGET(All)

1903 **Minute 1849** STCP12-1 Landel Johnson had provided some feedback to KS, raising some concerns. All three parties must agree how best to take forward. DMCP is still awaiting detailed internal comment.. AM to chase David Adam regarding comments to Paul Thomson.

Action: SHETL (AM)

12. Transmission Access

1904 None

13. Code Governance

1905 On the 12th May Licence drafting on Code Governance had closed, Ofgem are now considering all responses. A letter on Code of Practice is to be issued shortly

14. European Third Package

1906 DECC call for evidence, BT to provide an update at the next meeting.

Action: NGET(BT)

15. Impact of Other Code Modifications

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1907 None

16. Reports from Sub Committees

1908 The last JPC meeting was held on the 26th February 2010, the minutes of the meeting are to be circulated to the STC committee.

Action: NGET (KA)

17. Any Other Business

1909 BT asked the Committee members whether the current email address for Scottish and Southern was due to expire anytime soon and be replaced by sse.com. DS explained the email will change in the coming months however the new email ending in sse.com can be replaced with old one.

1910 BT explained that a member of the CUSC panel had raised the issue of derogation requests from Transmission Owners being published in the public domain. BT sent an e-mail to the STC Committee on 5th May with further detail. STC Committee members are to consider issue and respond back to NGET.

Action: (All)

1911 BT requested information from the Authority regarding when notification of the Preferred Bidders for Offshore will be available. AS will investigate with his colleagues.

Action: (Authority)

1912 It was explained to the STC Committee whether Section I of the STC accommodating the BETTA transitional period is required any longer as BETTA became obsolete in 2004. The Committee members are to investigate and report back at the next STC Committee meeting.

Action: (All)

18. Publications

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19. Next Meeting

1914 The next meeting is scheduled for the 22nd June 2010 at 10am Warwick.