# Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 71 Held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2010 Via Teleconference

#### Present:

Deborah MacPherson (DMcP) Committee Chairman (SPT)
Kabir Ali (KA) Committee Secretary (NGET)

Bec Thornton (BT)

Kathryn Sorrell (KSL)

Amanda May (AM)

National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)

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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 were received from Kenny Stott (SHETL) and Alec Morrison (SHETL)

## 2. Minutes of Last Meeting

1953 The minutes from the last STC Committee Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2010 were approved and will be uploaded on the STC website.

Action: NGET (KA)

#### 3. Review of Actions

1954 The outstanding actions were reviewed as follows:

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

Action: NGET (BT)

 Minute 1735 – A revised version of the housekeeping issues table was sent to the Authority on the 26<sup>th</sup> May for approval. The Authority to comment on the revised proposal.

Action: (Authority)

• Minute 1910 – A CUSC panel member 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 5<sup>th</sup> May with further detail. The STC Committee members were to consider this issue and respond back to NGET. At the July meeting the Committee members had agreed to forward their comments within a two week time frame (August 10<sup>th</sup>). SPT/ SHETL Both indicated that option three was the most desirable choice however comments will be provided to confirm.

Action: (All)

 Minute 1912 – Previously the STC Committee had reviewed and agreed for the removal of Section I from the STC. At the July meeting NGET had informed the members the issue was being processed internally. Updates are to be provided at the next meeting.

Action: NGET (KA)

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

#### 4. New Amendment Proposals

- 1955 CA039 Outage Planning Development, the amendment proposal seeks to put in place a clause within Section C of the STC to ensure the TO's provide outage planning information for the following financial year and the subsequent year. This will allow NGET to coordinate outage plans for all Transmission Owners further ahead to help reduce constraint costs.
- Due the complexity of CA039 and subsequent amendment proposals PA059, PA060 and PAO61 for STCPs11-1, 11-3 and 16-1 a working group is to be established. The Group discussed the time line of 2 months for completion of the Evaluation stage laid down in Section B of the STC BT to forward draft proposed legal text for CA039, PA059, PAO60 and PAO61 to the working group prior to the first meeting.

Action: All

1957 All members are to forward KA with names of their respective members for the working group.

Action: All

### 5. Amendment Proposals

#### **Amendment Proposal CA037**

- 1958 CA037 Seeks to put in place a list of party details within the STC under a new Schedule A. At the July STC committee meeting the members approved the draft Amendment Report ready for submission to the Authority. The Authority had indicated in the future more information is required behind the reasoning behind determination of which applicable objectives are better facilitated in Section 9 of the draft Amendment Report.
- 1959 BT had agreed to draft revised words and circulate to the STC Committee for approval. Once the Committee approve the words, the Amendment Report can be submitted to the Authority.

Action: NGET/SPT/SHETL

#### **Amendment Proposal CA038**

1960 CA038 - 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. At the July STC Committee meeting the members agreed that the draft Proposed Amendment Report has a 10 day industry consultation. KA to send the Proposed Amendment Report out to industry consultation.

Action: KA

1961 The Committee agreed to follow the below time line as a guidance.

Action: (All)

| CA038                  | Action  | Time                      |
|------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Consultation period of | KA to circulate Proposed Amendment              |                           |
| 10 days                | Report to industry for consultation             | 28th July 2010            |
| Collation of industry  | KA to circulate consultation responses to       | 13 <sup>th</sup> August   |
| Responses              | STC Committee                                   | 2010                      |
| Draft Amendment        | KA to circulate Draft Amendment Report          | 13 <sup>th</sup> August   |
| Report                 | to STC Committee for comment.                   | 2010                      |
|                        | Amendment Report to be submitted to             |                           |
|                        | STC Committee on 24 <sup>th</sup> August for    | 24 <sup>th</sup> August   |
| Amendment Report       | August Committee meeting                        | 2010                      |
| Amendment Report       | Amendment Report to be approved by              | 31 <sup>st</sup> August   |
| Approval               | STC Committee                                   | 2010                      |
|                        | Amendment Report to be submitted to             | 1 <sup>st</sup> September |
| Amendment Report       | the Authority on 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2010 | 2010                      |

## **Amendment Proposal CA035**

1962 CA035 Following the circulation of revised legal text (Section K) incorporating the comments from the May Committee meeting BT had confirmed that SHETL had responded to say they were happy with text. SPT had confirmed to provide comments by the 30<sup>th</sup> July. Subsequently with the agreement of the Amendment Proposal it is expected to proceed directly to Assessment and Report phase.

Action: (SPT)

1963 The Committee agreed to follow the below time line as a guidance.

| CA035                  | Action                                    | Time                  |
|------------------------|---|-----------------------|
|                        | Comments on proposed legal text by        |                       |
| Proposed legal text    | (SPT)                                     | 30 <sup>th</sup> July |
| Evaluation Phase or    | STC Committee at July STC Committee       |                       |
| Assessment and Report  | meeting, agree on Evaluation or A&R       |                       |
| Phase                  | phase (All)                               | 27 <sup>th</sup> July |
| Draft Proposed         | Send draft Proposed Amendment Report      |                       |
| Amendment Report for   | to STC Committee for comments and         |                       |
| Consultation           | company assessments.                      | 28 <sup>th</sup> July |
| Comments/ Company      | All to provide company assessment and     |                       |
| Assessment input       | any other comments to (All)               | 11 <sup>th</sup> Aug  |
| Proposed Amendment     | To be submitted with STC Committee        | Al-                   |
| Report                 | papers to Aug STC Committee meeting       | 17 <sup>th</sup> Aug  |
| Approval Proposed      | At Aug STC Committee meeting,             | -4                    |
| Amendment Report       | approval of Proposed Amendment Report     | 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug  |
| Consultation period of | KA to circulate Proposed Amendment        | -4                    |
| 15 days                | Report to industry for consultation       | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept  |
| Collation of industry  | KA to circulate consultation responses to |                       |
| Responses              | STC Committee                             | 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept |
| Draft Amendment        | KA to circulate Draft Amendment Report    |                       |
| Report                 | to STC Committee for comment.             | 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept |
| Draft Amendment        | Draft Amendment Report to be submitted    |                       |
| Report                 | to STC Committee for approval             | 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept |
| Amendment Report       | Amendment Report to be approved by        |                       |
| Approval               | STC Committee                             | 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept |
|                        | Amendment Report to be submitted to       |                       |
| Amendment Report       | the Authority                             | 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept |

#### **Amendment Proposal CA036**

1964 CA036 – The Offshore Development Information Statement (ODIS). Following the circulation of the draft Proposed Amendment Report to the industry, two responses were received in support of the proposal. KA to circulate draft Amendment Report to the Committee for comment with a view to submitting the draft Amendment Report to the 31<sup>st</sup> August STC Committee meeting for approval.

Action: NGET (KA)

1965 BT explained that NGET were waiting to see the outcome of CA036 before continuing to progress the corresponding STCP.

| CA036            | Action                                 | Time                      |
|------------------|--|---------------------------|
|                  | KA to circulate Draft Amendment Report |                           |
| Draft Amendment  | to STC Committee for comment.(10 day   |                           |
| Report           | consultation period )                  | 28 <sup>th</sup> July     |
|                  | Amendment Report to be submitted to    |                           |
| Amendment Report | STC Committee for approval             | 24 <sup>th</sup> Aug      |
| Amendment Report | Amendment Report to be approved by     |                           |
| Approval         | STC Committee                          | 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug      |
|                  | Amendment Report to be submitted to    |                           |
| Amendment Report | the Authority                          | 1 <sup>st</sup> September |

## 6. Working Group Reports

1966 There were no Working Group reports.

## 7. Proposed Amendment Reports

1967 There were no proposed Amendment Reports.

# 8. Amendment Reports

1968 There were no Amendment Reports.

## 9. Pending Authority Decisions

1969 None

# 10. Authority Decisions

1970 None

#### 11. STC Procedures

1971 **PA048 – STCP 16-1** Inclusive of offshore changes. The group had agreed previously the second interpretation of 16-1 to be incorporated. NGET had informed the group the current wording was not onerous, SPT to look specifically at the PLD. The group had agreed to feedback comments by the 10<sup>th</sup> August.

Action: All

1972 Subsequently it was debated further whether to remove the swim lanes from the STCPs. The group agreed it would be best to review the swimlanes on a case by case basis as each STCP is amended in the future.

Minute 1847 STCP19-5 the requirements to have references to "Affected TOs" in 19-5 and links to other STCPs in the 19 series currently missing. Mark Horley responded to SHETL and SPT's concerns by e-mail on 17<sup>th</sup> 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: (All)

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. All members are to feedback at the next Committee meeting.

Action: (All)

- 1975 **PA057- STCP 11-1** /**PA058 STCP 11-2** Signed off 27<sup>th</sup> July 2010.
- 1976 **PA059 STCP11-1** Amendment of process for more coordinated outage planning. To improve communication between NGET and the TOs the proposal will amend the STCP to state how and when communications should take place when planning for outages, through the implementation of a 2 year outage plan for the next financial year and the subsequent year. (Action with respect to this captured under CA039)
- 1977 **PA060 STCP11-3 -** Amendment of process for outage change costing. To allow the TO's to be reimbursed for the outage change request made by NGET from the current plan year to the subsequent Plan Year, the STCP will be amended to extend the provision to year 2. (Action with respect to this captured under CA039).
- 1978 PA061 STCP16-1 Amendment of process for more coordinated long term outage planning. The amendment proposes to amend STCP 16-1 to provide for better communications regarding outage requirements to facilitate a more coordinated approach to outage planning between NGET and the Transmission Owners (TOs). (Action with respect to this captured under CA039)
- 1979 **Offshore STCP01-1 -** Operational Switching. The proposed STCP amendment will allow for the inclusion of the new category of Offshore Transmission Owner. SPT had provided comments on the circulated draft which are to be agreed by NGET. SHETL to provide comments.

Action: SHETL (DO)

1980 **Offshore STCP04-1** - Time Data Change Management. The proposed STCP amendment will allow for the inclusion of the new category of Offshore Transmission Owner. SPT had provided comments on the circulated draft which are to be agreed by NGET. SHETL to provide comments.

Action: SHETL (DO)

Offshore STCP06-1 - Black Start. The proposed STCP amendment will allow for the inclusion of the new category of Offshore Transmission Owner. SPT had commented to say they were happy with circulated draft SHETL had provided suggested wording on the Local Joint Restoration Plans (LJRP) namely to allow the onshore TOs wait to disconnect from the Offshore TO network before requesting Black Start power station to begin the restart process. NGET to incorporate comments.

Action: NGET

1982 **Offshore STCP06-3** - System Incident Management was approved at the meeting with SPT/SHETL happy with the proposed draft. KA to coordinate sign off.

Action: NGET (KA)

#### 12. Transmission Access

1983 None

#### 13. Code Governance

- AS informed the group the licence modifications approved on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2010 are available on the Ofgem website. The change requests are to be reflected throughout the relevant codes by the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2010.
- Furthermore, the associated the CUSC modifications CAP183- CAP188 have been raised. Two of these modifications (environmental objective and send back powers) have gone directly to industry consultation. The other four have proceeded to working group.
- 1986 It was noted the BSC modifications are expected to be raised at the next BSC Panel meeting.
- 1987 The UNC modifications are to be raised at the special governance work stream meeting with the formal modifications being raised at the next UNC Panel meeting.
- BT informed the group from the twelve principles identified in the Code of Practice, some may not need to be included in the STC and some maybe worth considering translating across to the STC. BT will review further in January when the six CUSC modifications are progressed further.

Action: NGET (BT)

## 14. European Third Package

1989 None

#### 15. Impact of Other Code Modifications

1990 None

#### 16. Reports from Sub Committees

1991 The JPC minutes from the 26th February 2010 are still to be approved then circulated to the STC committee.

Action: NGET (KA)

## 17. Any Other Business

BT informed the members the draft STC Amendment Summary circulated prior to STC committee meeting will be raised as a new amendment proposal at the August meeting. The proposal intends to bring about clarity between the interpretation of 'Party/Parties' within Section B with clearly defined roles and duties.

#### 18. Publications

1993 None

# 19. Next Meeting

1994 The next meeting is scheduled for the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2010 at 10am Warwick.