

Minutes

Meeting name	STC Modification Panel Meeting
Meeting number	95
Date of meeting	Wednesday 24 th October 2012
Time	10:00am – 12:00pm
Location	National Grid House, Warwick and Teleconference

Attendees

Name	Initials	Company
Bec Thornton	BT	Committee Chair (NGET)
Lucy Hudson	LH	Committee Secretary (NGET)
Robyn Jenkins	RJ	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Audrey Ramsay	AR	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Damien McCluskey	DM	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Tom Derry	TD	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL)
Kenny Stott	KS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL)
Alan Kelly	AK	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Mike Lee	ML	Transmission Capital (TC)
Geoff Singleton	GS	Blue Transmission (BT)
Abid Sheikh	AS	Ofgem

Apologies

Name	Initials	Company
Deborah MacPherson	DMcP	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Allan MacLeod	AMc	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)

1 Introductions/Apologies for Absence

2672. Apologies were received from Deborah MacPherson (SPT) and Allan MacLeod (SPT).

2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

2673. The minutes from the last STC Committee meeting held on 26th September 2012 were approved. NGET to arrange publication of the minutes on the National Grid website.

Action: NGET (LH)

3 Review of Actions

2674. **Minute 1596:** Confidentiality issue, regarding manufacturing data to improve transparency, ongoing due to low priority. TD advised that, whilst it was thought CA046 would address this issue, it is now being considered in other forums and once further work has been completed changes to the STC will be considered. RJ will keep the Committee updated with any developments.

Action: NGET (RJ)

2675. **Minute 2443:** TI confirmed that no nominations had been received from STC Parties for the Grid Code Offshore BMU Configurations Working Group. NGET agreed to circulate the concluding report to the STC Committee for information, to allow STC consideration of the findings, when it is published. RJ confirmed that the draft Workgroup report has been circulated to the GCRP for comment and that once it has been finalised, a copy will be circulated to the STC Committee. RJ confirmed that the Grid Code consultation relating to this modification is due to be published shortly.

Action: NGET (RJ)

2676. **Minute 2446:** ML informed STC Committee members that a Continuous Voltage Control paper was circulated to the Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP) which was informative. TD agreed to keep the STC Committee updated on the progress of this issue. Once the necessary analysis has been undertaken and the position of the GCRP is clear, NGET will schedule a meeting with both internal and external attendance, to discuss the issue further. ML again highlighted that this is an urgent issue. At the June 2012 STC Committee meeting, TD confirmed that by September/October 2012, the assessment work should be completed and Offshore Networks will be included in that assessment. At the October 2012 STC Modification Panel meeting, RJ confirmed the assessment work is still ongoing.

Action: NGET (RJ)

All other actions are either completed or were discussed under the relevant agenda items

4 Modification Proposals

2677. There were no new Modification Proposals.

5 Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates

2678. There were no Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates.

6 Evaluation Phase Reports

2679. There were no Evaluation Phase Reports.

7 Initial Modification Reports

CA046 'Inclusion of Generator build options within the STC'

2680. RJ confirmed that the proposed timetable for CA046 had been circulated at the last Modification Panel meeting and that the modification was progressing as per the timetable.
2681. It is expected that the draft Proposed Modification Report will be submitted to the November Modification Panel with a view to gaining approval from the Modification Panel for issue out to Industry Consultation on 30th November 2012.

8 Proposed Modification Reports

CA049 'Amendment to Section K to provide OFTOs with the capability to respond to Reactive Power Instructions within 2 minutes'

2682. BT noted that approval of the CA049 Proposed Modification Report had been requested at the last Modification Panel meeting and subsequently, when the revised version of the Report had also been circulated with papers, although this had yet to be received from SHETL and SPT.
2683. SHETL and SPT agreed to review and provide their approval by Friday 26th October 2012.

Action: SHETL & SPT (KS & AK)

2684. DM to follow up outstanding approvals on Friday 26th October 2012.

Action: NGET (DM)

9 Modification Reports

CA045 'Arrangements for User Commitment'

2685. BT noted that approval of the CA045 Modification Report had been requested at the last Modification Panel meeting, although this had yet to be received from SHETL and SPT.
2686. KS confirmed that SHETL's issues regarding the modification were associated with the associated STCP rather than CA045 and provided approval for the Modification Report to be submitted to the Authority.
2687. SPT agreed to review and provide their approval by Friday 26th October 2012.

Action: SPT (AK)

2688. AS reminded the Committee of the need to run an efficient and effective governance process to prevent impacting timescales of ongoing modifications.

10 Pending Authority Decisions

2689. There were no pending Authority Decisions.

11 Authority Decisions

CA048 'Alignment of Terminology with other industry codes'

2690. BT confirmed the CA048 had been approved by the Authority on 10th October 2012 and implemented on 17th October 2012.

2691. BT noted that terminology contained within templates, agendas, minutes etc will be updated imminently.

12 STC Procedures

PA065 – STCP01-1 Timescales for providing Transmission Services as defined in the STC

2692. BT advised that ML had raised an issue regarding the inclusion of guidance on how OFTOs respond to Reactive Power Instructions in 2 minutes within STCP01-1. NGET agreed to provide a revised draft of STCP01-1 to address this issue at the next Modification Panel meeting.

Action: NGET (AR)

PA066 – STCP19-3 Clarification of Transmission System Boundary Point registration with Elexon

2693. RJ confirmed that offshore changes are being included in the STCP19-3 as part of PA066. The draft STCP is expected to be submitted to the November 2012 Modification Panel meeting.

13 Code Governance Review 2

2694. AS provided a comprehensive overview of Code Governance Review 2, explaining potential impacts on the STC and Grid Code. AS noted that the Ofgem consultation had been published on 28th September 2012 and closes on 23rd November 2012. LH to forward the consultation link to the Modification Panel.

Action: NGET (LH)

2695. BT confirmed that user involvement in the STC Committee would not form part of the Code Governance Review 2 and would be addressed separately if deemed necessary.

2696. Discussion took place on whether consultation responses should be submitted by the STC Modification Panel or individual companies and it was agreed that, due to the limited timescales, each individual company would provide a response, where necessary.

14 Offshore Regime

2697. AS advised that there was no Offshore update this month, although an update on the integrated offshore networks regime was provided, further to BT's request at the last Modification Panel meeting:

A consultation entitled 'Offshore Transmission - update on Coordination policy developments' was published by Ofgem and closed in mid September. Ofgem are currently reviewing the responses received and it is envisaged a further document will be subsequently be published outlining Ofgem's views on integrated offshore networks.

15 European Developments

2698. BT confirmed that both ENTSO-E and ACER updates had been circulated by LH regarding the latest European developments.

2699. AS noted that the Requirements for Generators Code, which had been submitted by ENTSO-E to ACER, had been sent back to ENTSO-E as some further improvements are required to bring it in line with the ACER Framework Guidelines.

16 Impact of Other Code Modifications

2700. The Committee were not aware of any Code Modifications which may have an impact on the STC.

17 Reports from Sub Committees

2701. It was confirmed that no ChUG minutes had been received.

2702. NGET confirmed that the minutes from the May 2011 JPC meeting are currently awaiting sign off and have yet to be circulated. NGET will forward a copy to the STC Committee once they have been signed off.

Action: NGET (LH)

18 AOB

2703. BT confirmed that DM would be taking over from RJ as one of the NGET STC Modification Panel representatives. LH to reflect change on NGET website.

Action: NGET (LH)

2704. BT asked SPT to confirm who their two current STC Modification Panel representatives are and AK agreed to email this to LH.

Action: SPT (AK)

19 Publications

2705. No publications were discussed.

20 Date of Next Meeting

2706. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on **Wednesday 28th November 2012 at 10am.**

2707. BT confirmed that NGET will circulate an email to obtain attendance for the 19th December meeting and to advise of the Modification Panel dates for 2013.

Action: NGET (LH)