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Minutes

Meeting name	STC Modification Panel Meeting
Meeting number	107
Date of meeting	Monday 25 November 2013
Time	10:00am – 12:00pm
Location	National Grid House, Warwick and Teleconference

Attendees

Name	Initials	Company
Andy Hiorns	AH	Modification Panel Chair (NGET)
Thomas Derry	TD	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Nick Harvey	NH	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Kenny Stott	KS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)
Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)
Joe Dunn	JD	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Mike Lee	ML	Transmission Capital (TC)
David Lyon	DL	Blue Transmission (BT)
Abid Sheikh	AS	Ofgem
Tracey Mallet	TM	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Liz Stratham	LS	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Steve Dugmore	SD	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)

Apologies

Name	Initials	Company
Lucy Hudson	LH	Modification Panel Secretary (NGET)
Audrey Ramsay	AR	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)

1 Introductions/Apologies for Absence

3033. Apologies were received from Lucy Hudson (NGET), Audrey Ramsay (NGET) and Milorad Dobrijevic (SPT).

3034. Tracey Mallet (NGET), Steve Dugmore (NGET) and Liz Stratham (NGET) were introduced as presenters for various agenda items.

2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

3035. The minutes from the last STC Modification Panel held on 27 October 2013 were approved and are to be uploaded to the NGET website.

Action: NGET (LH)

3 Review of Actions

3036. **Minute 2727:** LH informed the Panel that some of the other Codes hold photographs of their respective Panels on the NGET website. Panel to ensure any outstanding photographs are sent electronically to LH by next STC Modification Panel on 18 December 2013.

Action: TC (ML)

3037. **Minute 2824:** MD confirmed that the Network Access Policies (NAP) has been submitted to Ofgem and approval is likely in October 2013. MD confirmed that a meeting is taking place 25 October 2013 to finalise the NAP and once agreed it will be circulated to the Panel.

Action: SPT (MD)

3038. **Minute 2922:** In respect of the STCP18-1 review being undertaken, JD informed the Panel that the scope of changes required is being finalised and that a summary would be circulated prior to the December 2013 STC Panel.

Action: SPT (JD)

3039. Following on from the action in Minute 2923, MD noted that to address the inconsistencies between the NAP and STCPs, a review will be carried out and a high level plan of required changes will be produced and circulated to the Panel for review.

Action: SPT (MD)

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

4 Modification Proposals

3040. There were no Modification Proposals.

5 Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates

3041. There were no Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates.

6 Evaluation Phase Reports

3042. There were no Evaluation Phase Reports.

7 Initial Modification Reports

3043. There were no Initial Modification Reports.

8 Proposed Modification Reports

3044. There were no Proposed Modification Reports.

9 Modification Reports

3045. There were no Modification Reports.

10 Pending Authority Decisions

3046. There were no pending Authority Decisions.

11 Authority Decisions

CM050 – CM054 'Code Governance Review Phase 2'

3047. AS informed the panel that CM050 - CM054 were approved on 06 November 2013 and implemented on 20 November 2013.

3048. TD also confirmed that STCP PM071 - PM073 that accompany these changes had also been signed off and will be implemented today.

12 STC Procedures

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

3049. SD provided a brief summary of the paper and informed the panel that this latest version includes housekeeping and offshore changes. The Panel discussed the issues raised at the October Panel meeting and agreed that they were out of scope for the modification.

3050. The Panel approved STCP19-3 and LH will organise for it to be signed.

Action: NGET (LH)

3051. JD agreed to draft a summary of outstanding issues with STCP19-3 that need to be addressed in the future.

Action: SPT (JD)

PM070 – Update STCP04-6 to add IEC60870-5-101 Communication Protocol

3052. TD informed the Panel that an updated version of STC04-6 had been circulated and approval is sought for the implementation of the updated version.

3053. The Panel approved STCP04-6 and TD noted that consequential changes would be needed to STCP04-1 (Real Time Data Change Management) and STCP04-2 (Real Time Datalink Management) as a result of the changes to STCP04-6. These changes will be brought to the December 2013 STC Panel.

PM074 – Update STCP19-6 Application Fee

3054. LS informed the Panel that the proposed changes to STCP19-6 were discussed and developed by the CHuG subgroup. STCP19-6 was updated to reflect current processes and ways of working.

3055. KS noted concerns with the wording around timescales being proposed. It was agreed to address these concerns at a meeting being held on 28 November 2013. An updated proposal will be circulated prior to the December 2013 STC Panel.

Action: NGET (TM)

13 Offshore Regime

3056. AS confirmed that there is no offshore update this month.

3057. AH queried if STC impacts as a result of the *'Regulation of transmission connecting non-GB generation to the GB transmission system'* had been considered yet. AS noted that the consultation closes on 17 January 2014 but welcomed the views of Panel members.

3058. It was also noted that the STC does not currently contain provisions for interconnectors. AH agreed to arrange for an update to be provided to the Panel on the current thinking around the treatment of interconnectors within the STC framework.

Action: NGET (AH)

14 European Developments

ENTSO-E and ACER updates

3059. TD confirmed that the ENTSO-E and ACER updates regarding the latest European developments had been circulated to the Panel by LH.

3060. It was noted that STC Parties may be interested in the HVDC European Network Code as it now covers TSO assets and TD agreed to circulate a link to the latest work.

Action: NGET (LH)

European Code Coordination Application Forum (ECCAF)

3061. JD informed the Panel that ECCAF had their inaugural meeting on 21 November 2013 where Barbara Vest (Energy UK) was voted in as the Chair. A number of presentations were brought to the group along with two strawman proposals on approaches to code changes. JD agreed to circulate minutes once they were made available.

Action: SPT (JD)

15 Impact of Other Code Modifications

3062. **Minute 2446:** ML informed STC Modification Panel members that a Continuous Voltage Control paper was circulated to the Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP) which was informative. TD agreed to circulate the update paper that went to the November 2013 GCRP to the panel for information.

Action: NGET (LH)

16 Reports from Sub Committees

3063. A JPC meeting was held on 22 October 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel once available.

Action: NGET (LH)

3064. AH noted that the representation on the JPC had been reviewed and included in the revised paper submitted to the Panel. Panel members agreed to review the paper and contact AH with any queries.

Action: TC/BT (ML/DL)

3065. The latest ChUG meeting took place on 26 September 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel once available.

Action: NGET (LH)

17 AOB

3066. JD informed that panel that reviewing STCP19-6 had highlighted that the boundaries of influence need to be reviewed and proposed that this is picked up through the JPC. AH agreed to ensure this was captured on the agenda of the Investment Planning subgroup.

Action: NGET (AH)

3067. AH proposed that an annual review of the STCPs would be useful to ensure that they remain fit for purpose with changes in business procedures and ways of working. Concerns were raised over the additional resource requirement for an annual review and it was agreed that the more important STCPs should be prioritised to ensure resource is allocated appropriately. It was agreed to bring a draft workplan for 2014 to the January 2014 Panel meeting.

Action: NGET (AH)

3068. AS informed the panel that the Authority's Christmas publishing moratorium begins on 20 December 2013 and finishes 2 January 2014.

18 Publications

3069. No publications were discussed.

19 Date of Next Meeting

3070. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on **Wednesday 18 December 2013 at 10am.**