

## ***STCP 25-1 Issue 001***

# ***SIGNIFICANT CODE REVIEW PROCESS***

### ***STC Procedure Document Authorisation***

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Offshore Transmission Owners			

### ***STC Procedure Change Control History***

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## **1 Introduction**

### **1.1 Scope**

- 1.1.1 This procedure applies to NGET and each TO. For the purposes of this document, TOs are:
- 1.1.2 SPT;
- 1.1.3 SHET; and
- 1.1.4 All Offshore Transmission Owners as appointed by the Authority. (For the avoidance of doubt, this includes Preferred Bidders).

### **1.2 Objectives**

- 1.2.1 The objective of this document is to set out the Process that shall apply in respect of a Significant Code Review and any STC Modification Proposals raised during a Significant Code Review Phase.
- 1.2.2 The Significant Code Review (SCR) process seeks to require certain Licence holders to raise code modifications in line with the directions issued by the Authority following an SCR. The SCR will allow the Authority to initiate a review of one or more matters which it considers to:
- Have significant impacts on electricity consumers or competition
  - Have significant impacts on the environment, security of supply or sustainable development
  - Create significant cross code or cross Licence issues
  - Have a significant impact on the Authority's principal objective (under Section 3A of the Act), statutory functions or relevant obligations bound by EU law.
- 1.2.3 The SCR process approaches change in a holistic manner, creating benefits compared to the use of consequential change mechanisms. These benefits allow a more timely, streamlined and coordinated change process to take place.

## **2 Key Definitions**

### **2.1 For the purposes of STCP 25-1:**

- 2.1.1 **Process Diagram** means the diagrams at Appendix A to this STCP 25-1.

## **3 Procedure**

### **3.1 Background**

- 3.1.1 The SCR is a code review process initiated and led by the Authority, on one of a number of potential triggers. The Authority will launch a SCR on publication of a notice setting out matters such as the scope of the review, reasons for it and announcing the start date.
- 3.1.2 The SCR Phase will last approximately 12 months after which the Authority should publish the conclusions of the SCR.

### **3.2 Process**

- 3.2.1 The Parties shall follow the process set out in this STCP 25-1 in respect of a Significant Code Review or any STC Modification Proposals raised during a Significant Code Review Phase. The diagrams illustrate this process and form part of this STCP 25-1, but in the event of any conflict between the main body of this

STCP25-1 and the Process Diagrams, then the main body of this STCP 25-1 shall prevail.

3.2.2 During a Significant Code Review Phase:

- 3.2.2.1 If any Party makes an STC Modification Proposal during a Significant Code Review Phase, unless exempted by the Authority or unless 3.2.2.6(b) applies, the STC Modifications Panel shall assess whether the STC Modification Proposal falls within the scope of a Significant Code Review and the applicability of the exceptions set out in 3.2.2.6 and shall notify the Authority of its assessment, its reasons for that assessment and any representations received in relation to it as soon as practicable;
- 3.2.2.2 Any statement provided by the STC Panel pursuant to Section B Paragraph B 7.2.3.1A(b) shall be in the form of the written statement at Annex B.3 detailing:
- (a) Any representation received in relation to the relevance of the Significant Code Review; and
  - (b) The STC Panel's final assessment of whether the proposal falls within the scope of the SCR and its reasons for that assessment.
- 3.2.2.3 Once the Authority receipt of this final assessment, they will make a decision whether to:
- (a) Proceed and the proposal would enter the standard modification process, or
  - (b) Subsumed and the proposal would enter the SCR Phase process
- 3.2.2.4 The STC Modifications Panel shall proceed with the STC Modification Proposal made during a Significant Code Review Phase in accordance with Section B Paragraph 7.2.3 (notwithstanding any consultation undertaken pursuant to 3.2.2.8 and its outcome), unless directed otherwise by the Authority pursuant to 3.2.2.6.
- 3.2.2.5 Subject to 3.2.2.7, the Authority may at any time direct that a STC Modification Proposal made during a Significant Code Review Phase falls within the scope of a Significant Code Review and must not be made during the Significant Code Review Phase. If so directed, the STC Modifications Panel will not proceed with that STC Modification Proposal, and the Proposer shall decide whether the STC Modification Proposal shall be withdrawn or suspended until the end of the Significant Code Review Phase. If the Proposer fails to indicate its decision whether to withdraw or suspend the STC Modification Proposal within twenty-eight (28) days of the Authority's direction, it shall be deemed to be suspended. If the STC Modification Proposal is suspended at the end of the Significant Code Review Phase it shall be considered and taken forward in the manner decided upon by the STC Modifications Panel at the next meeting, and it is open to the STC Modifications Panel to take into account any work previously undertaken in respect of that STC Modification Proposal.
- 3.2.2.6 A STC Modification Proposal that falls within the scope of a Significant Code Review may be made where:
- (a) the Authority so determines, having taken into account (among other things) the urgency of the subject matter of the STC Modification Proposal; or
  - (b) the STC Modification Proposal is made by a Party pursuant to Section B Paragraph 7.2.6A.2.
- 3.2.2.7 Where a direction under 3.2.2.5 has not been issued, 3.2.2.6 does not apply and the STC Modifications Panel considers that a STC Modification Proposal made during a Significant Code Review Phase falls within the scope of a Significant Code Review, the STC Modifications Panel may (but shall not be

required to) consult on its suitability as part of the Standard STC Modification Proposal route set out in Section B Paragraphs 7.2.5 and 7.2.6. If, following submission of the STC Modifications Panels assessment to the Authority in the STC Modification Report, the Authority has not made a determination on whether or not the STC Modification Proposal falls within the scope of a Significant Code Review, the STC Modification Proposal will continue to progress along the Standard STC Modification route.

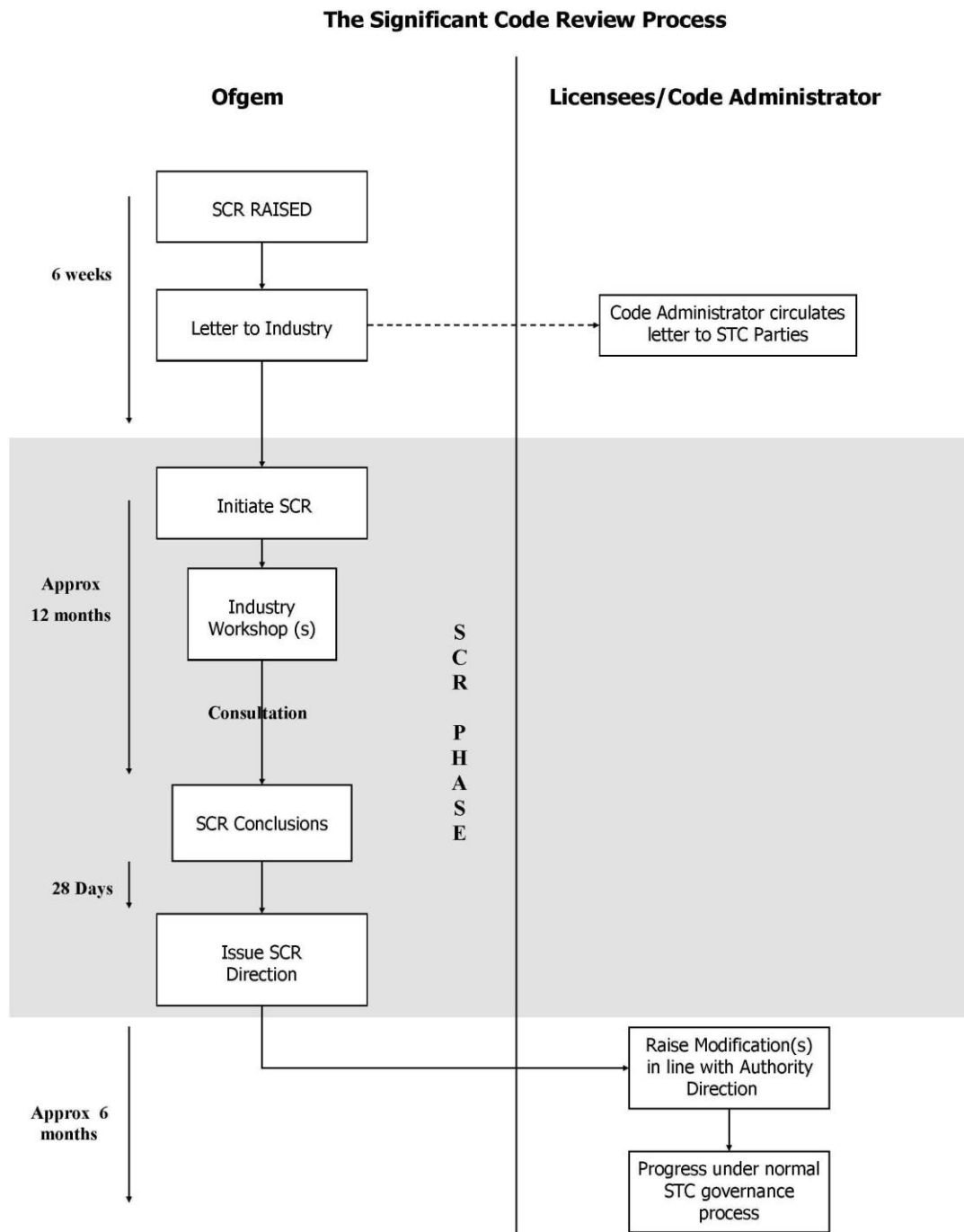
- 3.2.2.8 the progress of any STC Modification Proposals which (notwithstanding that the STC Modification Proposal may have been sent by the Authority back to the STC Modification Panel pursuant to Section B Paragraph 7.2.5.15) was submitted to the Panel Secretary pursuant to Section B Paragraph 7.2.2.2 prior to the commencement of the SCR Phase shall not be affected by the Significant Code Review and the STC Modification Proposal will continue to progress along the Standard STC Modification route

### **3.3 Additional Information**

- 3.3.1.1 If the Authority subsumes a new STC Modification Proposal within the Significant Code Review, the original STC Modification Proposal will be deemed as suspended and may not be adopted by another party. A subsumed STC Modification Proposal which is suspended will go back to the STC Panel for consideration as to how it should be progressed, once the SCR Phase ends or is deemed to have ended.

***Appendix A – Process Diagrams***

Note that the Process Diagrams shown in this Appendix A are for information only. In the event of any contradiction between the process represented in this Appendix and the process described elsewhere in this STCP, then the text elsewhere in this STCP shall prevail.



**Modification During SCR Phase**

