

Minutes

Meeting name STC Modification Panel Meeting

Meeting number 100

Date of meeting Wednesday 17 April 2013

Time 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Location National Grid House, Warwick and Teleconference

Attendees		
Name	Initials	Company
Thomas Derry	TD	Modification Panel Chair (NGET)
Lucy Hudson	LH	Modification Panel Secretary (NGET)
Audrey Ramsay	AR	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Damien McCluskey	DM	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Brian Taylor (part)	BT	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Steve Dugmore (part)	SD	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Kenny Stott	KS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Alan Kelly	AK	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Sean Kelly	SK	Transmission Capital (TC)
David Lyon	DL	Blue Transmission (BT)
Abid Sheikh	AS	Ofgem
Yvonne Naughton (part)	YN	Ofgem

Apologies		
Name	Initials	Company
Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)
Tracy Joyce	TJ	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)

1 Introductions/Apologies for Absence

2800. Apologies were received from Neil Sandison (SHET) and Tracy Joyce (SPT).

2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

2801. The minutes from the last STC Modification Panel held on 27th March 2013 are to be updated with revised wording below. NGET to arrange publication of the minutes on the National Grid website.

Minute 2776

Should read 'AK asked for the Authority's view on the issue raised by SPT at December 2012's Panel meeting regarding European legislation deeming Scottish TOs (and OFTOs) as TSOs. AS asked the Panel for further clarity on what it requires to close the action as Ofgem has already confirmed that all Transmission Owners are designated in Great Britain as Transmission System Owners (TSOs) for the purpose of obligations placed on TSOs in European network codes and legislation. TSOs would be expected to comply through the relevant national code and AS considered that the STC parties could enter discussions, possibly through the proposed European Issues Group, to determine how best to deliver TSO compliance.'

Action: NGET (LH)

3 Review of Actions

2802. **Minute 2727:** LH informed the Panel that some of the other Codes hold photographs of their respective Panels on the NGET website. To ensure consistency, the STC Panel agreed that this was also sensible for the STC. LH arranged photos at face to face Panel meeting in April 2013 and will ensure any outstanding photographs are obtained electronically.

Action: NGET (LH)

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

4 Modification Proposals

2803. There were no new Modification Proposals.

5 Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates

2804. There were no Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates.

6 Evaluation Phase Reports

2805. There were no Evaluation Phase Reports.

7 Initial Modification Reports

2806. There were no Initial Modification Reports.

8 Proposed Modification Reports

2807. There were no Proposed Modification Reports.

9 Modification Reports

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

- 2808. TD confirmed that following circulation of the draft Final Modification Report for CA049 'Amendments to Section K to provide OFTOs with the capability to respond to Reactive Power Instructions within 2 minutes', some further comments had been received from Ofgem. TD asked for the Panel's view on their preferred option to progress the modification, either to:
 - Windraw the modification and re-submit following resolution of the outstanding issues
 - Submit the Final Modification Report to the Authority in its current form
 - Request a further extension
- 2809. The Panel agreed their preferred way forward would be to request a 7 day extension to address the issues and after this period, to make a decision on whether the Final Modification Report could be submitted to the Authority. The Authority agreed to the 7 day extension on the basis of good progress being made on resolution.
- 2810. BT agreed to arrange a telecon w/c 15 April 2013 and for the recommendations to be fed back to TD by 23 April 2013.

Action: NGET (BT)

10 Pending Authority Decisions

2811. There were no Pending Authority Decisions.

11 Authority Decisions

2812. There were no Authority Decisions.

12 STC Procedures

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

- 2813. SD provided an overview of the most recent changes, advising that the scope had widened to include general housekeeping, Offshore etc.
- 2814. SD asked for the Panel's view on the revised procedure and they agreed to provide feedback by 7 May 2013.

Action: ALL (SHET/SPT/OFTOs)

13 Code Governance Review 2 (CGR2)

- 2815. DM presented the draft STC Modification Proposals in respect of CGR2. The Panel were happy with the proposals. AS noted that CA050d appeared to refer to the self governance process rather than send back and that there were some minor typographical errors within CA050e.
- 2816. The next step will be to formally raise the Modification Proposals at the May 2013 STC Modification Panel, where the Panel's view will be sought on whether a workgroup is required and whether the 31 December 2013 implementation timescale is achievable.

Action: ALL (SHET/SPT/OFTOs)

2817. AS advised that consultation responses on the proposed licence changes are currently being sought and that the licence changes are expected to be made in July 2013.

14 Offshore Regime

2818. AS confirmed that LH had circulated the latest Offshore update on 16 April 2013.

15 European Developments

- 2819. AS confirmed that an ACER update regarding the latest European developments had been circulated to the Panel by LH.
- 2820. With regard to the proposal to introduce a European Issues Group (EIG), the Panel believe it would be a useful vehicle for understanding and discussing European implications but would like to understand more about the detail of the Group.
- 2821. The Panel discussed where the most appropriate area for the EIG to sit and whether this should be STC or JESG. TD agreed to speak to the JESG and Adrian Lewis to understand how it could dovetail with the EIG.

Action: NGET (TD)

16 Impact of Other Code Modifications

2822. **Minute 2443:** NGET agreed to circulate the Final Modification Report for Grid Code modification 'Offshore BMU Configurations' to the STC Modification Panel, following its publication. This will allow STC consideration of the findings. DM confirmed that the Grid Code consultation is awaiting final approval to go out to Industry Consultation.

Action: NGET (DM)

2823. **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. NGET agreed to keep the Modification Panel updated on the progress of the issue. At the March 2013 STC Modification Panel meeting, DM confirmed that an update is due to be provided to the May 2013 GCRP and that following this, consequential changes to the STC will be considered.

Action: NGET (DM)

2824. MD confirmed that the Network Access Policy (NAP) is almost finalised for sending to Ofgem for approval. MD agreed to circulate the NAP once it is available.

Action: SPT (MD)

17 Reports from Sub Committees

2825. The latest ChUG meeting took place on 28 March 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel.

Action: NGET (LH)

2826. A JPC meeting was held on 16 April 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel.

Action: NGET (LH)

18 AOB

2827. There was no AOB.

19 Publications

2828. No publications were discussed.

20 Date of Next Meeting

2829. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 29th May 2013 at 10am.