

Minutes

Meeting name	STC Modification Panel Meeting
Meeting number	102
Date of meeting	Wednesday 26 June 2013
Time	10:00am – 12:00pm
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)
Damien McCluskey	DM	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
David Phillips	DP	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Alex Thomason	AT	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Kenny Stott	KS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)
Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)
Tracy Joyce	TJ	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Mike Lee	ML	Transmission Capital (TC)
David Lyon	DL	Blue Transmission (BT)
Abid Sheikh	AS	Ofgem

Apologies

Name	Initials	Company
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Audrey Ramsay	AR	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)

1 Introductions/Apologies for Absence

2862. Apologies were received from Milorad Dobrijevic (SPT) and Audrey Ramsay (NGET).

2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

2863. The minutes from the last STC Modification Panel held on 29 May 2013 are to be updated with revised wording below. NGET to arrange publication of the minutes on the National Grid website.

- **Minute 2831**

Should read '2013' instead of '2012'

- **Minute 2834, bullet 2**

Should read '....after its decision by the Panel.' instead of '....after its recommendation by the Panel.'

- **Minute 2846**

Should read '....Modification Proposals to amend....' instead of '....Modification Proposals to amended....'

- **Minute 2853**

Should read '....European 'experts' from the STC parties may.....' instead of '....European 'experts' may....'

- **Minute 2859**

Should read 'AS noted the impacts from the European Network Codes.....' instead of 'AS noted that impacts on other Codes including the European Network Codes....'

- **Minute 2859**

Should read '....may be arranged to discuss the paper further.' instead of '....may be arranged to discuss further.'

Action: NGET (LH)

3 Review of Actions

2864. **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 Panel to ensure any outstanding photographs are sent electronically to LH by next STC Modification Panel on 24 July 2013.

Action: ALL

2865. **Minute 2824:** MD confirmed that the Network Access Policies (NAP) has been submitted to Ofgem and will be circulated once approved.

Action: SPT (MD)

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

4 Modification Proposals

CM050 – CM054 ‘Code Governance Review Phase 2’

2866. DM asked the Panel for any final comments on the Modification Proposals and advised that, as per the timetable, it is anticipated that the Initial Amendment Report, together with proposed legal text, will be submitted to the July 2013 Modification Panel meeting.
2867. AS highlighted it is important that the intent of the legal text is consistent with the recent licence changes. AS also noted that if the Panel feel a formal or informal working group is required to review the proposals, including the legal text, it would be useful to raise this early in the modification process.

5 Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates

2868. There were no Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates.

6 Evaluation Phase Reports

2869. There were no Evaluation Phase Reports.

7 Initial Modification Reports

2870. There were no Initial Modification Reports.

8 Proposed Modification Reports

2871. There were no Proposed Modification Reports.

9 Modification Reports

2872. There were no Modification Reports.

10 Pending Authority Decisions

2873. There were no pending Authority Decisions.

11 Authority Decisions

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

2874. TD confirmed that CA049 had been approved by the Authority on 11 June 2013 and implemented on 25 June 2013.

12 STC Procedures

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

2875. DM confirmed that no further comments had been received on PA066, other than in relation to SHET's company name, and that STCP19-3 can now be circulated for sign off to all STC parties.

Action: NGET (LH)

PA069 – STCP13-1 & 14-1 OFTO Tariff Charging

2876. DM advised that the procedure is being revised following feedback received from the STC parties and will be submitted to the July 2013 Modification Panel.

PA070 – Update STCP04-6 to add IEC60870-5-101 Communication Protocol

2877. TD confirmed that the changes to STCP04-6 and Appendix F of the Bilateral Connection Agreements (BCAs) are being drafted. The aim is to get STCP04-6 revised drafting to the July 2013 Modification Panel.

13 Offshore Regime

2878. AS confirmed that an Offshore update had been circulated to the Panel by LH on 26 June 2013.

14 European Developments

2879. TD confirmed that the ENTSO-E and ACER updates regarding the latest European developments had been circulated to the Panel by LH.

2880. TD advised that no TSO issues for discussion had been raised this month and that a reminder will continue to be circulated prior to each Modification Panel asking for any issues. SHET confirmed that their European expert would be Paul Neilson and SPT confirmed Alan Kelly as theirs.

2881. RW gave a presentation on European Network Codes implementation advising that this was an action resulting from the Joint European Standing Group (JESG) to present to all Code Panels. ML queried whether the Codes are law and RW confirmed that they will become European law and will then take precedence over existing GB law. If European law is breached this will result in a fine on the Government. RW advised that a proposal for a Cross Codes Co-ordination Implementation group is being developed and this is likely to be brought to the next STC Modification Panel meeting.

15 Impact of Other Code Modifications

2882. **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)

2883. **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 May 2013 STC Modification Panel meeting, DM confirmed that an update was provided to the May 2013 GCRP and that following this, consequential changes to the STC are to be considered.

Action: NGET (DM)

2884. It was noted that an Ofgem consultation on Transmission Owners' Proposed Network Access Policies had been issued. The consultation closes on 19 July 2013 and it was agreed that the Panel would review for any potential STC impacts.

Action: ALL (SPT, SHET, OFTOs, NGET)

2885. LH will circulate a link to the Network Access Policies consultation to the Panel.

Action: NGET (LH)

16 Reports from Sub Committees

2886. The latest ChUG meeting took place on 13 June 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel by LH. TJ confirmed that the ChUG chair is rotating from SPT to SHET from the next meeting on 26 September 2013.

Action: NGET (LH)

2887. A JPC meeting was held on 16 April 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel once approved.

Action: NGET (LH)

17 AOB

2888. TD gave an overview of the restructure currently taking place within National Grid and highlighted it is likely that the NGET representation on the Panel, including the Chair, will change.

2889. At the last STC Modification Panel meeting, ML presented a paper on Compliance with Section K on Operational Timescales. A teleconference attended by the Scottish TOs, OFTOs and NGET has since taken place and a further paper has been circulated to the Panel outlining the discussions and recommendations. It was agreed that the existing OCLR process could be used as a temporary solution and that a further meeting would be arranged to discuss how this could be taken forward.

Action: NGET (LH)

It was also agreed that, following any subsequent meeting on this topic, an email update is circulated to the Panel.

Action: TC (ML)

2890. AT asked the Panel how useful they find the Code Summary document. The Panel all agreed that it was helpful and would like to continue receiving it, although AS noted that some of the CUSC Modification updates did not appear to be current. AT agreed that that process for collating the Summary would be looked at.

Action: NGET (LH)

18 Publications

2891. No publications were discussed.

19 Date of Next Meeting

2892. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on **Wednesday 24 July 2013 at 10am.**