

Minutes

Meeting name	STC Modification Panel Meeting
Meeting number	106
Date of meeting	Wednesday 23 October 2013
Time	10:00am – 12:00pm
Location	National Grid House, Warwick and Teleconference

Attendees

Name	Initials	Company
Nick Harvey	NH	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Thomas Derry	TD	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Damien McCluskey	DM	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)
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Joe Dunn	JD	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
Andy Hiorns	AH	Modification Panel Chair (NGET)
Lucy Hudson	LH	Modification Panel Secretary (NGET)
Audrey Ramsay	AR	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)

1 Introductions/Apologies for Absence

2996. Apologies were received from Andy Hiorns (NGET), Lucy Hudson (NGET) and Audrey Ramsay (NGET).

2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

2997. The minutes from the last STC Modification Panel held on 25 September 2013 were approved and are to be uploaded to the NGET website.

Action: NGET (LH)

3 Review of Actions

2998. **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 27 November 2013.

Action: SP/TC/BT (TJ/ML/DL)

2999. **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)

3000. **Minute 2922:** In respect of the issue relating to STCP18-1/performance of delivery of connection offers, JD confirmed that a meeting had taken place with NGET on 28 August 2013 which identified that amendments will need to be made and that a further meeting is being arranged for November with TOs to identify the proposed changes to STCP18-1.

Action: SPT (JD)

3001. 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: NGET (MD)

3002. **Minute 2984:** A JPC meeting was held on 16 April 2013 and a meeting of one of the JPC sub groups took place w/c 15 July 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel.

Action: NGET (LH)

3003. **Minute 2988:** With regard to the proposed new JPC structure, AS queried if it is expected there will be a core membership list or will observers be able to attend to speak only, rather than also be entitled to a vote. AH agreed to look into this.

Action: NGET (AH)

3004. **Minute 2989:** AH agreed to submit a final draft of the JPC proposed structure paper to the October 2013 STC Modification Panel, addressing the comments raised by the Panel.

Action: NGET (AH)

3005. **Minute 2990:** AH suggested that it would be useful to circulate the dates of the forthcoming JPC meetings to the Panel and add them onto the STC Modification Panel agenda. This will be actioned following agreement of the paper on the proposed structure of the JPC.

Action: NGET (LH)

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

4 Modification Proposals

3006. There were no Modification Proposals.

5 Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates

3007. There were no Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates.

6 Evaluation Phase Reports

3008. There were no Evaluation Phase Reports.

7 Initial Modification Reports

3009. There were no Initial Modification Reports.

8 Proposed Modification Reports

3010. There were no Proposed Modification Reports.

9 Modification Reports

3011. There were no Modification Reports.

10 Pending Authority Decisions

CM050 – CM054 ‘Code Governance Review Phase 2’

3012. AS informed the panel that a decision is expected with the Authority’s 25 Working Day KPI.

11 Authority Decisions

3013. There were no Authority Decisions.

12 STC Procedures

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

3014. TD confirmed that STCP19-3 is currently being finalised internally and it is expected that this will be submitted to the November 2013 STC Modification Panel.

3015. JD noted that there are a couple of considerations in relation to interim commissioning where there is no physical transmission works that could be added to STCP. TD agreed to discuss possible additions to STCP 19-3 with the proposer.

Action: NGET (LH)

3016. Additionally it was noted that the STCP could be clearer on the interaction with Elexon during boundary point registration. TD agreed to raise this with the proposer.

Action: NGET (LH)

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

3017. TD confirmed that due to internal NGET personnel changes, the amendments to STCP04-6 are expected to be submitted to the November 2013 Modification Panel.
3018. Panel members noted that the proposed wording of STCP04-6 indicates that the IEC protocol will be the preferred protocol going forward but this is not the preferred protocol for SPT and SHET assets. It was queried whether the proposed STCP04-6 would prevent other communication protocols from being used and it should be made clearer in the STCP drafting. TD agreed to query this with the proposer.

Action: NGET (LH)

PM071 - PM073 – Code Governance Review Phase 2

3019. The Panel had no further comments on the Code Governance Review Phase 2 STCPs and it was agreed that, subject to Authority approval of the CGR2 Modifications, they be progressed to sign off. LH to coordinate signoff of STCPs following an authority decision.

Action: NGET (LH)

13 Offshore Regime

3020. AS confirmed that an Offshore update would have been circulated by LH on behalf of Ofgem on 23 October 2013.
3021. JD queried whether any further developments have occurred following a set of workshops held by David Gray relating to Offshore development. AS agreed to see what developments have been made and update the Panel in November.

Action: Ofgem (AS)

14 European Developments

3022. TD confirmed that the ENTSO-E and ACER updates regarding the latest European developments had been circulated to the Panel by LH.

15 Impact of Other Code Modifications

3023. **Minute 2443:** NGET agreed to circulate the Final Modification Report for Grid Code modification GC0037 'Offshore BMU Configurations' to the STC Modification Panel, following its publication. This will allow STC consideration of the findings. TD confirmed that a draft version of the Final Modification Report was being reviewed and following submission to the Authority for a decision, a copy will be circulated to the Panel.

Action: NGET (LH)

3024. **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 to ensure consequential changes to the STC are considered. TD confirmed that a paper will be sent to the November 2013 GCRP and that a copy will be circulated to the panel for information.

Action: NGET (LH)

3025. It was noted that CUSC Modification 219, 222, and 223 should be monitored to determine any possible STC impacts.

16 Reports from Sub Committees

3026. A JPC meeting was held on 22 October 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel once available.

Action: NGET (LH)

3027. The latest ChUG meeting took place on 26 September 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel once available. JD - have a proposed STCP in terms of charging, draft prepared and will be brought to November Panel.

Action: NGET (LH)

17 AOB

3028. KS queried the governance of STC Modification Panel representatives and alternates. It was confirmed that JD and ML will be the SPT representatives and the website needs to be updated to reflect this.

Action: NGET (LH)

3029. It was agreed that the November Panel will take place on 25th November 2013. LH to send around updated appointment

Action: NGET (LH)

3030. AS informed the Panel that the Authority has made a determination on licence changes required to implement the 3rd energy package. As a result there will be amendment to licence condition B12 to include an objective related to compliance with European legislation. This will be implemented on 17 December 2013 and consequential codes changes may be required. NGET to examine and propose necessary STC Modification proposals.

Action: NGET (LH)

18 Publications

3031. No publications were discussed.

19 Date of Next Meeting

3032. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on **Monday 25 November 2013 at 10am.**