

Minutes

Meeting name	STC Modification Panel Meeting
Meeting number	103
Date of meeting	Wednesday 24 July 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)
Andy Hiorns	AH	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Kenny Stott	KS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)
Tracy Joyce	TJ	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Mike Lee	ML	Transmission Capital (TC)
David Lyon	DL	Blue Transmission (BT)
Abid Sheikh	AS	Ofgem
Elizabeth Macleod	EM	Ofgem

Apologies

Name	Initials	Company
Audrey Ramsay	AR	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)

1 Introductions/Apologies for Absence

2893. Apologies were received from Neil Sandison (SHET) and Audrey Ramsay (NGET).

2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

2894. The minutes from the last STC Modification Panel held on 26 June 2013 are to be updated with revised wording below. NGET to arrange publication of the minutes on the National Grid website.

- **Minute 2867**

Should read '...the proposals, including the legal text, it would....'

Action: NGET (LH)

3 Review of Actions

2895. **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 28 August 2013.

Action: ALL

2896. **Minute 2824:** MD confirmed that the Network Access Policies (NAP) has been submitted to Ofgem and Ofgem have issued them out to consultation. MD agreed to circulate the latest draft to the STC Modification Panel and will circulate the final version once it is received.

Action: SPT (MD)

2897. In respect of the ongoing discussions regarding Compliance with Section K on Operational Timescales, ML confirmed that a teleconference had taken place on 9 July 2013 and in principle, National Grid had agreed that there should be a mechanism in place for when an OFTO owned SVC is out of service and that the OCLR process in STCP04-4 was the correct way to manage this. ML confirmed that no changes were required to STCP04-4 but that if deficiencies were identified, amendments may need to be made. The Panel agreed it would be useful to publish the papers produced as a result of these discussions on the National Grid website.

Action: NG (LH)

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

4 Modification Proposals

2898. There were no Modification Proposals.

5 Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates

2899. There were no Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates.

6 Evaluation Phase Reports

2900. There were no Evaluation Phase Reports.

7 Initial Modification Reports

CM050 – CM054 ‘Code Governance Review Phase 2’

2901. DM advised that Initial Modification Reports for the five Code Governance Review changes had been submitted to the Panel for review. The Panel had no comments and agreed to provide impact assessments by 26 July 2013 in order that CM050 – CM054 could go out to Industry Consultation.

Action: SPT/SHET/OFTOs (TJ/KS/ML/DL)

2902. TD asked for the Panel’s views on the Industry Consultation being 20 days. KS noted that as the modifications only affect the STC Modification Panel, 20 days should be sufficient. AH suggested that as the consultation was being issued over the holiday period and that there were 5 modifications for review, 30 days may be a more suitable consultation period. DM noted that extending the consultation period would mean an implementation date of early December 2013. The Panel agreed for the consultation period to be extended to 30 days.

8 Proposed Modification Reports

2903. There were no Proposed Modification Reports.

9 Modification Reports

2904. There were no Modification Reports.

10 Pending Authority Decisions

2905. There were no pending Authority Decisions.

11 Authority Decisions

2906. There were no Authority Decisions.

12 STC Procedures

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

2907. DM confirmed that final approval of STCP19-3 was awaited from SP before it could be circulated for sign off. TJ agreed to review and confirm by 26 July 2013.

Action: SP (TJ)

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

2908. DM advised that the procedure is being revised following feedback received from the STC parties and is likely to be submitted to the August 2013 Modification Panel.

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

2909. TD confirmed that due to internal NGET personnel changes, the amendments to STCP04-6 and technical appendix F are likely to be submitted to the September 2013 Modification Panel.

13 Offshore Regime

2910. AS confirmed that an Offshore update had been circulated to the Panel by LH on 24 July 2013.

14 European Developments

2911. TD confirmed that the ENTSO-E and ACER updates regarding the latest European developments had been circulated to the Panel by LH.

2912. TD confirmed there were no TSO issues for discussion.

2913. TD advised that a paper had been submitted to the STC Modification Panel proposing the creation of a Joint Standing Group to coordinate application of European Network Codes across GB Codes and comments are being sought on the proposal and a representative from the STC Modification Panel is being requested to sit on the group. The Panel were all in favour of the formation of the group and noted the following which TD will feed back to Paul Wakeley:

- It may be useful for a both an onshore and offshore TO to sit on the group
- How much work may be involved in the role as a representative?
- Representative(s) will need to have both good technical knowledge and commercial experience

Action: NGET (TD)

15 Impact of Other Code Modifications

2914. **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)

2915. **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)

2916. KS noted that Martin Moran (NGET) is carrying out a piece of work on Statement of Works and although this is only in its early stages, may ultimately have an impact on the STC.

16 Reports from Sub Committees

2917. The latest ChUG meeting took place on 13 June, 2013, the minutes of which will be circulated to the Panel. The next meeting is due to take place in September 2013.

Action: NGET (LH)

2918. AH explained that the structure of the JPC has been reviewed and split into North and South meetings with some sub groups put in place. A paper is due to be submitted to the next STC Modification Panel.

Action: NGET (AH)

2919. 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 once approved

Action: NGET (LH)

2920. AS queried whether JPC documentation including minutes is available on the National Grid website and AH agreed to investigate this.

Action: NGET (AH)

17 AOB

2921. It was noted by the Panel that although the format of the papers provided for the meeting was now better than previously, there were some issues with the length of time to download the papers from web. TD advised this was due to the way that some of the reports had been created and that going forward, this would be addressed.

2922. TD mentioned that as a result of the ongoing restructure within National Grid, the Chair of the STC Modification Panel would move from himself to Andy Hiorns. It was also noted that there would be two new National Grid representatives and therefore Damien McCluskey would no longer be attending Panel meetings.

18 Publications

2923. No publications were discussed.

19 Date of Next Meeting

2924. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on **Wednesday 28 August 2013 at 10am.**