

Minutes

Meeting name	STC Modification Panel Meeting
Meeting number	112
Date of meeting	Wednesday 30 April 2014
Time	10:00 – 12:00
Location	National Grid House, Warwick and Teleconference

Attendees

Name	Initials	Company
Hannah Kirk-Wilson	HKW	Modification Panel Chair (NGET)
Lucy Hudson	LH	Modification Panel Secretary (NGET)
Alex Thomason	AT	Code Administrator
Mark O'Connor	MO	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
David Gregory	DG	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Alan Kelly	AK	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission Limited (SPT)
Kenny Stott	KS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)
Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission (SHET)
David Lyon	DL	Blue Transmission (BT)
Mike Lee	ML	Transmission Capital (TC)
Abid Sheikh	AS	Ofgem
Alex Haffner	AH	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)

Apologies

Name	Initials	Company
Andy Hiorns	AH	Modification Panel Chair (NGET)

1 Introductions/Apologies for Absence

3214. Apologies were received from Andy Hiorns.

2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

3215. The minutes from the STC Modification Panel held on 26 March 2014 were approved .STC Modification Panel Secretary to arrange publication.

Action: NGET (LH)

3 Review of Actions

3216. **Minute 3115: OFTO representation at the JPC.** AH agreed with ML to update the paper on OFTO representation at the JPC, circulate it to ML and DL for comment and then table it at the March STC Panel meeting for sign-off. The action is ongoing.

Action: NGET (AH)

3217. **Minute 3116: Workplan for Review of STCPs.** Further to AS' request for clarity on this minute from the January 2014 meeting, JD confirmed that the issue with STCP11-1 Outage Planning was that Project Listing Definitions (PLDs) are not necessarily being used as originally intended and that the STCP does not reflect the current working practice. The Panel agreed that the STCP should be updated to reflect the working practice. AH confirmed that a timetable for a draft workplan to review STCPs will be provided to the March 2014 STC Modification Panel meeting, once comments have been received on the draft. At the March STC

Modification Panel, AH confirmed that a timetable for the review of STCP11-1 had been established. AH also advised that a document has been produced which identifies NGET ownership for each section of the STC. Once this has been finalised, a copy will be shared with the STC Panel.

Action: NGET (LH)

3218. **Minute 3093: STCP19-6 Application Fee.** AT took an action to report back to the STC Modification Panel on progress with STCP19-6. **Post-meeting note:** STCP19-6 has been approved and now needs to be physically signed off by all parties. NGET to initiate the signing-off process. Action: Look into alternative signing-off processes.

Action: NGET (AT/LH)

3219. **Minute 3211: NGET personnel continuity.** JD raised a concern regarding the continuity of NGET personnel with the recent restructure and its impact on the relationship, particularly at a working level, with the Scottish TOs. It was noted that the development of the STC Ownership Document may assist with this issue, but there are also concerns over how the knowledge base is being transferred going forward. AH offered to arrange a meeting between NGET and the Scottish TOs to discuss this further. KS noted that NGET is meeting SHET in Glasgow on 13 May and suggested trying to coordinate the meeting on this date. LH to investigate possibility of this.

Action: NGET (AH/LH)

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

4 Discussion Items

3220. AHa presented an item on the Transparency Regulation, explaining that it is European legislation which came into effect in June 2013, with an implementation date of January 2015. The relevant requirement is detailed within Article 10.1c and only affects OFTOs, requiring them to report into a system, within one hour, after changes in the actual availability of offshore grid infrastructure that reduce wind power feed in by 100MW or more during at least one market time unit.
3221. There was discussion about whether one hour was reasonable and who the responsibility to report lies with. AHa suggested a meeting is scheduled to further discuss the detail around this.

Action: NGET (AHa)

3222. AHa also highlighted that the STC would need to be amended to capture the reporting requirement, with the lower level detail to be captured within STC04-4. The Panel agreed with this approach and a Modification Proposal is to be drafted. AS noted it would be useful to include the proposed legal changes within the Modification Proposal and also a proposed timescale for the modification.

Action: NGET (AHa)

5 Modification Proposals

3223. No new Modification Proposals were raised.

6 Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates

3224. There were no Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates.

7 Evaluation Phase Reports

3225. There were no Evaluation Phase Reports.

8 Initial Modification Reports

3226. There were no Initial Modification Reports.

9 Proposed Modification Reports

3227. There were no Proposed Modification Reports.

10 Modification Reports

CM055: Consequential changes following implementation of the Third Package and other miscellaneous changes

3228. AT advised that the CM055 Industry Consultation had closed on 31 March 2014 and no responses had been received. The Final Modification Report has been drafted and circulated to Panel Members. AT confirmed that some comments had been received from Ofgem yesterday and these have been passed to National Grid's Legal team for review. Once a response has been provided by NGET, AS asked that Ofgem's comments and responses be circulated to the Panel.

Action: NGET (LH)

3229. AT asked the Panel for any further comments and if, following agreement of Ofgem's comments, they were happy to approve the Final Modification Report for submission to the Authority. The Panel had no further comments and agreed for final approval of the Final Modification Report to take place via email prior to the next STC Modification Panel.

11 Pending Authority Decisions

3230. There were no pending Authority Decisions.

12 Authority Decisions

3231. There were no Authority Decisions.

13 STC Procedures

3232. LH advised that following implementation of CA046 'Inclusion of Generator Led Build Options within the STC' in March 2013, consequential changes are required to STCP12-1 and 23-1. The Panel's views were sought on how this should be progressed. As the issues are not relevant to the TOs, there was little support for a workgroup and it was therefore agreed for the changes to be led by NGET and agreed via correspondence.

14 Offshore Regime

3233. There was no Offshore update.

15 European Developments

ENTSO-E and ACER updates

3234. LH confirmed that the ENTSO-E and ACER updates regarding the latest European developments had been circulated to the Panel.

TSO Issues

3235. No TSO Issues were raised.

European Code Coordination Application Forum (ECCAF)

3236. AS confirmed that JD is no longer a member of the STC Modification Panel and a new ECCAF representative from the STC is needed. It was agreed that NGET would circulate a list of current ECCF membership together with the Terms of Reference to establish who already attends and who may be best placed to represent the STC Modification Panel going forward.

Action: NGET (LH)

3237. In the absence of an ECCAF representative, AS provided an update from yesterday's ECCAF meeting and asked NGET to circulate the Headline Report once it has been produced. There has been very little progress on the European Comitology process recently due to many of the meetings being cancelled. The meeting discussed the reports from the Code Mapping Workgroup on RfG and CACM. AS noted he had raised a query at the meeting regarding the outputs expected from ECCAF.

Action: NGET (LH)

16 Impact of Other Code Modifications

3238. No new impacts were noted.

17 Reports from Sub Committees

Joint Planning Committee

3239. The last JPC meeting took place on 29 April 2014 and the minutes will be circulated once they are available.

Charging User Group

3240. The next meeting took place on 23 April 2014 and the minutes will be circulated once they are available.

Outage Change Workgroup

3241. A second meeting regarding Outage Change Management took place on 24 April 2014, the first having taken place on 21 January 2014. The meeting discussed the generator survey results, noting the issues which didn't score highly and proposed solutions which may improve the relationship with generators. Consideration is being given regarding inviting generators to the next Outage Change Management meeting and a presentation to the STC Modification Panel is planned shortly.

18 Any Other Business

3242. HKW highlighted that concerns had been raised by SSE Generation with regard to compliance of STCP19-4 'Commissioning and Decommissioning'. It is proposed to monitor compliance for a period of 6 months to identify the root cause. The outcome will be fed back to the STC Modification Panel.
3243. With the introduction of the Electricity Ten Year Statement (ETYS), HKW advised that it is likely a new STCP will need to be developed. This is being looked at under the JPC and a Modification Proposal will be raised shortly.
3244. HKW advised that Performance Excellence is being implemented within the Scottish Planning Team in AH's department and any constructive feedback is welcomed to ensure that the most efficient processes may be implemented as part of this. NS queried what type of feedback is expected and HKW agreed to ask AH to send an email to the Panel to clarify what he is hoping for.

Action: NGET (HKW)

3245. With respect to a potential interactive offer between England and Scotland, it is proposed to use the COIN process rather than Licence Condition 2b in order to ensure a more co-ordinated approach. HKW asked whether Ofgem had any objections and AS agreed to obtain a response from Ofgem.

Action: Ofgem (AS)

3246. Regarding the 2014 OFTO election process, AT confirmed that all the OFTOs were happy to accept the late vote which had been received and therefore the 2 OFTO representatives would be David Lyon, Blue Transmission and Mike Lee, Transmission Capital, with Dave Phillips, Balfour Beatty as the alternate. AT noted that potential issues regarding representing OFTOs impartially had been identified and therefore alternates were invited to attend as observers at the STC Modification Panel. It is intended to review the OFTO election process with a view to simplifying it for future elections and any feedback on how it may be improved is welcomed.

19 Publications

3247. No publications were discussed.

20 Date of Next Meeting

3248. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on **Wednesday 28 May 2014 at 10am.**