

Minutes

Meeting name	STC Modification Panel Meeting
Meeting number	122
Date of meeting	Wednesday 25 February 2015
Time	10:00am – 12:00pm
Location	National Grid House, Warwick and Teleconference

Attendees

Name	Initials	Company
Ben Graff	BG	Modification Panel Chair (NGET)
Lucy Hudson	LH	Modification Panel Secretary (NGET)
Mark O'Connor	MOC	National Grid (NGET)
Mark Krajinewski	MK	National Grid (NGET)
Keith Dan	KD	National Grid (NGET)
Kenny Stott	KS	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission (SHET)
Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission (SHET)
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission plc (SPT)
Mike Lee	ML	Transmission Investment (TI)
Abid Sheikh	AS	Ofgem

Apologies

Name	Initials	Company
David Lyon	DL	Blue Transmission (BT)
David Phillips	DP	Balfour Beatty (BB)
Deborah MacPherson	DM	Scottish Power Transmission plc (SPT)
Alan Kelly	AK	Scottish Power Transmission plc (SPT)
Alex Thomason	AT	National Grid (NGET)

1 Introductions and Apologies for Absence

3513. Apologies were received from David Lyon (BT), David Phillips (BB), Deborah MacPherson (SPT), Alan Kelly (SPT) and Alex Thomason (NGET).

2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

3514. The minutes from the STC Modification Panel held on 28 January 2015 were approved, subject to some minor amendments suggested by Ofgem. The STC Modification Panel Secretary is to arrange publication of the final minutes.

Action: NGET (LH)

3 Review of Actions

3515. **Minute 3116: Workplan for Review of STCPs.** Further to AS's 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 meeting, once comments have been received on the draft. At the March 2014 meeting, 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. LH confirmed that the document has been finalised and had been circulated to the STC Panel. A review of STCPs is now to be established. Although it was identified that this action may be

superceded by ITPR, KS noted that not all STC documents would be affected by ITPR and could start being reviewed. KS and MOC agreed to establish which areas of the STC are unlikely to be affected by ITPR and to circulate a list to the Panel for agreement. KS circulated a list of STCPs which are unlikely to be affected by ITPR. BG suggested it would be useful to gain an understanding of the priority for reviewing each of these and it was agreed NGET would issue a note to all STCP document owners to obtain this information. BG noted that, due to resource constraints, NGET would not be in a position to lead all the STCP reviews.

Action: NGET (LH)

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

4 Discussion Items

Integrated Transmission Planning and Regulation (ITPR)

3516. BG confirmed that 2 workshops regarding ITPR had taken place, both with involvement from the STC Modification Panel. A further workshop is planned for 6 March 2015 which will primarily be focussed on the NOA.

3517. BG asked the Panel what ongoing ITPR updates they would like. It was agreed that, due to the Panel's involvement in this work, including ITPR as an STC Modification Panel agenda item as and when appropriate would be the most sensible way forward.

5 Modification Proposals

3518. There were no new Modification Proposals.

6 Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates

3519. There were no Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates.

7 Evaluation Phase Reports

3520. There were no Evaluation Phase Reports.

8 Initial Modification Reports

3521. There were no Initial Modification Reports.

9 Proposed Modification Reports

3522. There were no proposed Modification Reports.

10 Modification Reports

3523. There were no Modification Reports.

11 Pending Authority Decisions

3524. There were no pending Authority Decisions.

12 Authority Decisions

3525. There were no Authority Decisions.

13 STC Procedures

PM080: New STCP to cover the functional requirements of Active Network Management Schemes (AMNs)

KD advised that since the last Modification Panel, no further meetings had taken place. A subgroup meeting is planned for 9 March 2015 with a further meeting scheduled for 11 March 2015 which aims to establish a suitable project from an EBS perspective, to trial the ANM process.

PM082: STCP19-4 Concerns raised by Generators over Commissioning and Decommissioning of Transmission Assets

3526. MOC confirmed that following the circulation of the latest draft of STCP19-4, a number of comments had been received from SHET. A subgroup meeting has taken place and all but one of the comments has been incorporated into a further draft, as this would require a change to another STCP.

3527. MD confirmed that SPT were happy with the latest draft of the procedure.

3528. NS noted his appreciation that the comments from SHET had been taken into account. However he expressed that concern still remains regarding the inclusion of *'Real time data testing, between TO and NGET, shall be carried out no less than **one week** in advance of the planned change implementation date'* within Appendix B, particularly from a resource perspective. It was suggested that a teleconference between NGET, SPT and SHET was arranged to discuss and agree wording of this requirement which would suit all parties, with a view to having a final draft ready for sign off at the March 2015 STC Modification Panel.

Action: NGET/SHET/SPT (MOC/NS/MD)

PM083: STCP19-5 Update and clarification of process for issuing an Final Section K Notification (FSKN) to prospective OFTOs

3529. ML advised that a workgroup report, together with a revised procedure, is currently being drafted.

14 European Developments

ENTSO-E and ACER updates

3530. LH confirmed that the ENTSO-E and ACER updates regarding the latest European developments had been circulated to the Panel.

TSO Issues

3531. There were no TSO issues.

European Code Coordination Application Forum (ECCAF)

3532. AS updated the Panel on the joint DECC-Ofgem proposal to create a single cross-industry GB stakeholder group, Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG). 8 responses to the proposal had been received, all of which were positive. The first meeting of the new forum is planned to take place on 17 March 2015 and ECCAF will effectively be disbanded from this point.

3533. It is the intention that the 'old' ECCAF representative on each of the Code Panels will act as the link between the JESG and the Panel. AS noted that there will be a weekly update email from NGET on JESG issues and therefore it would be useful for DM to sign up to these in addition to attending the JESG meetings.

15 Offshore Regime

3534. LH confirmed that an Offshore update had been circulated to the Panel on behalf of Ofgem.

16 Impact of Other Code Modifications

3535. No new impacts were noted.

17 Reports from Sub Committees

Joint Planning Committee

3536. The most recent JPC meeting took place on 27 January 2015 and the minutes will be circulated to the STC Panel once approved.

Charging User Group

3537. The last ChUG meeting took place on 15 January 2015 and the minutes will be circulated to the STC Panel once approved.

18 Any Other Business

STC OFTO Elections

3538. AS asked for an update on the STC OFTO elections and LH confirmed that voting papers are due back on 2 March 2015 after which the results will be announced.

19 Publications

3539. No publications were discussed.

20 Date of Next Meeting

3540. The date of the next meeting is **25 March at 10am**.