

## Minutes

<b>Meeting name</b>	STC Modification Panel Meeting
<b>Meeting number</b>	129
<b>Date of meeting</b>	Thursday 5 November 2015
<b>Time</b>	13:00pm – 14:00pm
<b>Location</b>	National Grid House, Warwick and Teleconference

## Attendees

Name	Initials	Company
Julian Leslie	JL	Modification Panel Chair (NGET)
Lucy Hudson	LH	Modification Panel Secretary (NGET)
Ryan Place	RP	National Grid (NGET)
Mark Krajniewski	MK	National Grid (NGET)
Mark O'Connor	MO	National Grid (NGET)
Juliette Richards	JR	National Grid (NGET)
Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission (SHET)
Kenny Stott	KS	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission (SHET)
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission plc (SPT)
Mike Lee	ML	Transmission Investment (TI)
David Lyon	DL	Blue Transmission
Abid Sheikh	AS	Ofgem

## Apologies

Name	Initials	Company
Alan Kelly	AK	Scottish Power Transmission plc (SPT)
Deborah MacPherson	DM	Scottish Power Transmission plc (SPT)
David Phillips	DP	Balfour Beatty (BB)

## 1 Introductions and Apologies for Absence

3663. Apologies were received from Alan Kelly (SPT) and Deborah MacPherson (SPT). It was noted that David Phillips no longer works at Balfour Beatty and therefore is no longer a representative on the STC Modification Panel.

## 2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

3664. The minutes from the STC Modification Panel held on 30 September 2015 were approved subject to two minor amendments from Ofgem. The STC Modification Panel Secretary is to arrange publication of the final minutes.

**Action: NGET (LH)**

## 3 Review of Actions

3665. **Minute 3116: Workplan for Review of STCPs.** It has been identified that a review of some STCPs is required. It is recognised that a number of STCPs will be affected by ITPR, although not all will be affected. Reviews of the STCPs impacted by ITPR will be carried out in line with the ITPR timetable and a document review plan for remaining documents is to be developed.

**Action: NGET**

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

#### 4 Discussion Items

##### **CMP244 (Extension to the TNUoS tariff notice period): Implications for the STC**

3666. JR gave an overview of CUSC Modification CMP244 and the potential implications on the STC as detailed in the presentation circulated on Papers Day. It is thought that there are no impacts on the STC itself but STCP13-1, 14-1 and 24-1 will be affected. It is planned that the STCP changes will simply refer to the timeframes agreed in the CUSC and that they will therefore be raised prior to a decision being made on CMP244. JR noted that CMP244 is currently out to Workgroup Consultation and closes on 19 November 2015.
3667. KS commented that it appears the volatility risk is simply being moved from NGET onto the TOs, rather than resolving the issue itself. JR advised that there is a specific question regarding how best to address risk within the Workgroup Consultation and TO views on this are invited. AS encouraged all TOs to respond to the Workgroup Consultation.

#### 5 New Modification Proposals

3668. There were no new Modification Proposals.

#### 6 Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates

3669. There were no Evaluation Phase/Workgroup Updates.

#### 7 Evaluation Phase Reports

3670. There were no Evaluation Phase Reports.

#### 8 Initial Modification Reports

3671. There were no Initial Modification Reports.

#### 9 Proposed Modification Reports

3672. There were no proposed Modification Reports.

#### 10 Modification Reports

3673. There were no Modification Reports

#### 11 Pending Authority Decisions

3674. There were no pending Authority Decisions.

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3675. There were no Authority Decisions.

#### 13 STC Procedures

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

3676. At the July 2015 Modification Panel, ML advised that there is an issue regarding whether the proposed wording in the revised STCP accurately reflects the OTSDUW process. ML noted that the relevant part of the process is currently being gone through with Westermost Rough

and that this may help in establishing a way forward/appropriate wording by the November 2015 STC Modification Panel.

**Action: TI (ML)**

## **14 European Developments**

### **ENTSO-E update**

3677. JL confirmed that the ENTSO-E update regarding the latest European developments had been circulated to the Modification Panel.

### **Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)**

3678. There was no update on JESG.

### **TSO Issues**

3679. There were no TSO issues.

## **15 Offshore Regime**

3680. AS confirmed that the latest Offshore update had been circulated to the Modification Panel.

## **16 ITPR**

3681. JL confirmed that the licence condition regarding the enhanced SO aspect of ITPR had gone live on 2 November 2015 and this was therefore now binding. This only impacts the data required to be fed into the NOA process and that all NGET staff have been trained such that no information will be passed onto third parties.

3682. Changes to the STC and STCPs have been identified and as per the licence, are required to be in place by August 2016. The changes impact the following areas of the STC:

- Section D
- Schedule 3
- STCP 11-1, 16-1, 20-1, 21-1 and 22-1

3683. A more detailed review of the changes is due to take place before 31 December 2015 with a view to presenting the final changes for approval to the June 2016 STC Modification Panel. In conjunction with the ITPR changes, a review of current working practices will also take place for affected documents. For documents not affected by ITPR, a separate document review plan is to be developed.

3684. With the August 2016 implementation deadline in mind, KS noted that the Scottish holiday period over the summer is earlier than that in England which may impact approvals taking place. JL thanked KS for highlighting this and advised that the bulk of the work is likely to take place between January and March 2016 so it is likely that the holiday period will not affect this.

3685. JL noted that Ofgem have released a consultation on the next stage of ITPR involving the introduction of competition into onshore transmission and this closes towards the end of December 2015.

## **17 Impact of Other Code Modifications**

3686. No new impacts were noted.

## 18 Reports from Sub Committees

### Joint Planning Committee

3687. The last JPC meeting was held in October 2015 and the minutes will be circulated to the Modification Panel once agreed.

### Charging User Group

3688. The last ChUG meeting was held in October 2015 and the minutes will be circulated to the Modification Panel once agreed.

## 19 Any Other Business

### Code Governance Review 3 (CGR3)

3689. AS advised that Ofgem have published their Code Governance Review (CGR) 3 initial proposals, which are looking at further improvements to existing processes in 4 areas:

- Significant Code Review
- Self-Governance
- More efficient Code Administration processes
- Governance of Charging Methodologies

The consultation closes on 18 December 2015 and LH agreed to circulate a link to the Modification Panel.

**Action: NGET (LH)**

### Flexibility of OFTO Panel representation

3690. DL raised a question in relation to OFTO Panel representation and whether representatives may be nominated at a company rather than individual level, to allow for more flexibility. As OFTOs have limited resources, it is sometimes difficult to manage both operational issues and attend the STC Modification Panel.

3691. AS highlighted that there were 3 representatives elected from 3 OFTO parties at the last elections and, as there is only 1 required to attend, this should be sufficient. ML advised that David Phillips is no longer working at Balfour Beatty and therefore there are only 2 representatives remaining. LH agreed to look into the situation regarding appointing a new alternate in David Phillips's place.

**Action: NGET (LH)**

3692. KS noted that there would need to be some co-ordination and consistency amongst the OFTOs if it moved from individual level to company level, and that the Panel Secretary should be notified in advance of any changes to attendance. AS reminded the Panel that OFTO representation at the Panel is on behalf of the OFTO community rather than just their company. AS agreed to consider whether company level representation would be an option.

**Action: Ofgem (AS)**

3693. LH also agreed to look at the rules stated within Section B of the STC regarding OFTO representation and circulate to the Panel as appropriate.

**Action: NGET (LH)**

## 20 Publications

3694. No publications were discussed.

## 21 Date of Next Meeting

3695. The date of the next meeting is **25 November at 10am.**