

## STC Committee Meeting

### Draft Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 45 Held on 15 April 2008 Various via Teleconference

#### Present:

Bec Thornton	Committee Chairman
Stewart Stewart	Committee Secretary
Layton Jones	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET) Representative
Lilian Macleod	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET) Representative
Kenny Stott	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
Joe Dunn	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
Deborah MacPherson	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
Jenny Boothe	Authority Representative

#### In Attendance:

John Zammit-Haber	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET) Representative
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#### Apologies:

Diyar Kadar	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
David Osborne	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL)

#### 1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

- 1193 Apologies of absence were received from Diyar Kadar (SP Transmission Limited) and David Osborne (Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited).

#### 2. Minutes of Last Meeting

- 1194 The minutes from the last STC Committee Meeting held on 18 March 2008 were approved subject to minor amendments and will be available from the STC web site.

**Action: Committee Secretary**

#### 3. Review of Actions

- 1195 All the outstanding actions from the previous meeting have been completed or were the subject of agenda items.

#### 4. New Amendment Proposals

- 1196 There is one new Amendment proposal PA050 – STCP 1-1 changes to TSC Procedure and addition of Post Fault Action Agreement Form.

- 1197 The STC Committee AGREED that CA029 should proceed to the Evaluation Phase for a maximum of two months. SPT and SHETL agreed to review the proposed (with their relevant internal colleagues), providing any comments to National Grid prior to the next STC Committee Meeting. The STC Committee will discuss the proposal in-depth at April 2008 Meeting. CAO29 has now gone to the Evaluation Phase and will be put on the Agenda to be discussed at the next May meeting.

**Action: SHETL & SPT**

### 5. Working Group Reports

1197 There were no Working Group Reports.

### 6. Proposed Amendment Reports

1198 There were no Proposed Amendment Reports.

### 7. Amendment Reports

1199 There were no Amendment Reports.

### 8. Pending Authority Decisions

1200 There are no Authority decisions pending.

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1201 There were no Authority decisions.

### 10. STC Procedures

1202 PA048 (Alignment of STC and STCP16-1 Obligations regarding User Works) – SPT has provided comments on the latest proposed changes to STCP16-1 and National Grid will review SPT's comments and give feedback. Most of the changes have been agreed. SHETL have agreed their support for the changes. John Zammit-Haber will be going to the JPC for comment.

**Action: NGET/SPT**

1203 PA049 (Amendment to STCP19-3 regarding obligations in respect of Connection Site Specifications) – The changes to the STCP19-3 were formally signed off and officially incorporated into Schedule 2 of the STC. The signing of the STCP was facilitated by fax to the STC parties who officially signed off the STCP and it has now been implemented.

1204 PA050 – STCP1-1 Changes to TSC Procedure and addition of Post Fault Action Agreement Form. The STCP1-1 Changes have been discussed and there has been an agreement reached between the 3 parties. It was discussed that comments had been circulated and what had been agreed needed to be reviewed and comments feed back to the committee before the next meeting (20 May 2008). There will be a Conference call arranged to discuss comments and to be concluded before next Committee meeting.

**Action: NGET**

1205 CA029 – It was discussed that comments had been received from SP and SHETL and 1 month had been given to evaluate their comments. There have been no negative comments at present. Proposal form to be re-circulated to Deborah MacPherson and the David Scott and all comments to be in by next week with a teleconference to be arranged. David Scott had a few queries regarding the proposal form and these need to be cleared up.

1206 CAP048 payments compensation form there are disputes regarding this and SO charges covering CAP48 payment these will be referred to Ofgem if National Grid can not come to an agreement between SHETL and SP regarding these matters and this will come under the CUSC

1207 STCP 13 and 14 - There are no changes to procedures required. There is a new SO type charge which is included in Schedule 10 section 7 of the CUSC. There maybe

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need to be changes to SCTP 13 and 14 in the future and these are being reviewed by the Charging Forum. There is a clause and provisions are now in everyones licence to be able to claim back this charge.

### 11. Offshore Transmission

1208 The STC Committee noted that there were no significant changes to report. It was discussed that the legal text was still being reviewed and still needed to go to consultation. There was nothing to be published at this stage and that there would be a consultation in May.

1209 With regards to the action at 1182 from previous meeting there was an Action on Ofgem to investigate whether members would be able to have a preview of the changes prior to the formal consultation. Ofgem confirmed that it does not believe there would be any additional benefit in the STC, or any other code panel, to have a preview of the changes prior to the formal consultation is published. It was also stated that colleagues working on Offshore Transmission have indicated that should the legal texts be fit for publishing then these will be placed on the Ofgem website prior to the formal consultation.

### 12. Impact of other Code Modifications

1210 The STC Committee NOTED the update on the latest developments/topics of discussion from the other codes.

1211 The STC Committee NOTED that there would be consequential STC changes and are a result of the Grid Code Data Exchange review. It was NOTED that ideally Ofgem would prefer to have both sets of changes submitted within a similar timeline. National Grid informed the STC Committee that it was difficult to identify the STC changes until the Grid Code amendments were fully worked up.

### 13. Reports from Sub-Committees

1212 The STC Committee discussed that Ofgem had sent a questionnaire out to all the secretariats to complete. The questionnaire was sent out as part of a project that is being undertaken by Ofgem by the Brattle Group consultant company. The idea of the survey is to review the Industry Code Governance arrangements and to compare the attributes of the various codes. They have asked for the engagement of all the codes to take part in this questionnaire. The type of questions being asked were a mixture of administration and resource arrangements, new modification processes and time and cost spent on these various processes. The questionnaire has been published on the Ofgem website. When completed the Brattle Group will inform the Ofgem Steering Group of its findings and these will be reviewed and given scope on the way forward. They will be focussing on any areas that they may feel needs to be challenged such as code administration, external support, how long a modification takes to process etc, they will also be concentrating on Good Practices. Ofgem had stated that in their opinion there is not sufficient analysis on key issues, one example given was falling out of licence renewal and a number of key issues needed to be looked at to see if any of the processes can be made more efficient and effective.

### 14. Any Other Business

#### AOB01

1213 The STC Committee was informed that the CUSC elections were ongoing to people up for election. Barbara Vest and Dave Wilkinson are the two candidates up for election. Closing date for the ballot papers was Friday April 2008.

#### AOB02

1214 The Transmission Access workshop which has been covering CUSC Modifications area will now be presented at the CUSC Panel. The Cust Panel are looking at the governance regarding Alternative Modifications. There will be a paper going forward explaining what has been decided.

#### AOB03

1215 G06 This came into affect as from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008. There has been recommendation from the working group regarding proposals to Data Exchange in relation to the Grid code and the STC. There is a requirement to change the STCP and look at Schedule 3 to reflect the Grid code changes.

### 15. Publications

1216 There has been no new data identified by any of the STC Parties, which should be categorised as confidential.

1217 The only comment received was from the CHUG group who had nothing to report apart from that fact that the revised drafts of STCP13-1 and 14-1 have been issued for comment.

1218 It was also stated that the Safety Standing Group will be meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> April 008.

### 16. Date of Next Meeting

1219 The next meeting of the STC Committee will be held on Tuesday, 20 May 2008 at 10.00am.