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Dear Sir/Madam

## THE SERVICED GRID CODE – ISSUE 3 REVISION 9

Revision 9 of Issue 3 of the Grid Code has been approved by the Authority for implementation on **1**<sup>st</sup> **April 2005**.

I have enclosed the replacement pages that incorporate the agreed changes necessary to update the serviced copies of the Grid Code Issue 3 held by you to Revision 9 standard.

The enclosed note indicates the changes that are necessary to incorporate the pages and also attached is a brief summary of the changes made to the text.

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Yours faithfully

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## SUMMARY OF CHANGES

The changes arise from the implementation of modifications as Directed by the Authority on 31 March 2005 – Direction in relation to the application of Grid Code requirement Connection Conditions CC.6.3 to Small Power Stations in Scotland.

## 1. <u>Connection Conditions</u>

Amend CC.6.3.1 in order for the Grid Code to retain the nearest equivalent requirements, consistent with the GB wide transmission and trading arrangements, to those that currently exist for Small Power Stations in Scotland.

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- (iv) For connections with the GB Transmission System at 400kV or 275kV, the Back-Up Protection will be provided by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, as the case may be, with a fault clearance time not slower than 300mS for faults on the Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Apparatus.
- (v) Such Protection will also be required to withstand, without tripping, the loading incurred during the clearance of a fault on the GB Transmission System by breaker fail Protection at 400kV or 275kV. This will permit Discrimination between Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, as the case may be, Back-Up Protection and Back-Up Protection provided on the GB Transmission System and other User Systems. The requirement for and level of Discrimination required will be specified in the Bilateral Agreement.
- (c) (i) Where the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer is connected to the GB Transmission System at 400kV or 275kV, and in Scotland also at 132kV, and a circuit breaker is provided by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, or NGC, as the case may be, to interrupt the interchange of fault current with the GB Transmission System or the System of the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, as the case may be, circuit breaker fail Protection will be provided by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, or NGC, as the case may be, on this circuit breaker.
  - (ii) In the event, following operation of a **Protection** system, of a failure to interrupt fault current by these circuit-breakers within the **Fault Current Interruption Time**, the circuit breaker fail **Protection** is required to initiate tripping of all the necessary electrically adjacent circuit-breakers so as to interrupt the fault current within the next 200 ms.
- (d) The target performance for the **System Fault Dependability Index** shall be not less than 99%. This is a measure of the ability of **Protection** to initiate successful tripping of circuit breakers which are associated with the faulty items of **Apparatus**.

## CC.6.2.3.2 Fault Disconnection Facilities

Where no **Transmission** circuit breaker is provided at the **User's** connection voltage, the **User** must provide **NGC** with the means of tripping all the **User's** circuit breakers necessary to isolate faults or **System** abnormalities on the **GB Transmission System**. In these circumstances, for faults on the **User's System**, the **User's Protection** should also trip higher voltage **Transmission** circuit breakers. These tripping facilities shall be in accordance with the requirements specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

CC.6.2.3.3 Automatic Switching Equipment

Where automatic reclosure of **Transmission** circuit breakers is required following faults on the **User's System**, automatic switching equipment shall be provided in accordance with the requirements specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

CC.6.2.3.4 Relay Settings

**Protection** and relay settings will be co-ordinated (both on connection and subsequently) across the **Connection Point** in accordance with the **Bilateral Agreement** to ensure effective disconnection of faulty **Apparatus**.

CC.6.2.3.5 Work on **Protection** equipment

Where a Transmission Licensee owns the busbar at the Connection Point, no busbar Protection, mesh corner Protection relays, AC or DC wiring (other than power supplies or DC tripping associated with the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer's Apparatus itself) may be worked upon or altered by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer personnel in the absence of a representative of NGC or in Scotland, a representative of NGC, or written authority from NGC to perform such work or alterations in the absence of a representative of NGC.

CC.6.2.3.6 Equipment to be provided

#### CC.6.2.3.6.1 **Protection** of Interconnecting Connections

The requirements for the provision of **Protection** equipment for interconnecting connections will be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

## CC.6.3 GENERAL GENERATING UNIT REQUIREMENTS

CC.6.3.1 This section sets out the technical and design criteria and performance requirements for **Generating Units** (whether directly connected to the **GB Transmission System** or **Embedded**) which each **Generator** must ensure are complied with in relation to its **Generating Units**, but does not apply to **Small Power Stations**, and in England and Wales, hydro units and renewable energy plant not designed for **Frequency** and voltage control. References to **Generating Units** in this CC.6.3 should be read accordingly.

#### **Plant** Performance Requirements

- CC.6.3.2 All **Generating Units** must be capable of supplying rated power output (MW) at any point between the limits 0.85 power factor lagging and 0.95 power factor leading at the **Generating Unit** terminals. The short circuit ratio of **Generating Units** shall be not less than 0.5.
- CC.6.3.3 Each **Generating Unit** and/or **CCGT Module** must be capable of
  - (a) continuously maintaining constant **Active Power** output for **System Frequency** changes within the range 50.5 to 49.5 Hz; and
  - (b) maintaining its Active Power output at a level not lower than the figure determined by the linear relationship shown in Figure 1 for System Frequency changes within the range 49.5 to 47 Hz, such that if the System Frequency drops to 47 Hz the Active Power output does not decrease by more than 5%.

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CODE	PAGE	CLAUSE	
PC	1	PC.1.1 amended	
GC	1	GC.4.2 (b) amended	
GC	2	GC.4.3 (c) (xi) amended	
GC	6/7	GC.12.2 added	

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CODE	PAGE	CLAUSE
CC	12	CC.6.3.1 amended