GC0050 – Demand Control



Terms of Reference

- Review need for, and requirements of, Demand Control instructions.
- Review existing capabilities of DNOs to implement Demand Control Instructions.
- Take account of relevant international practice and approach in European Code development.
- Evaluate the costs, benefits and risks of any actions necessary to ensure that DNOs can implement the required Demand Control instructions in the required timescales under future system conditions.

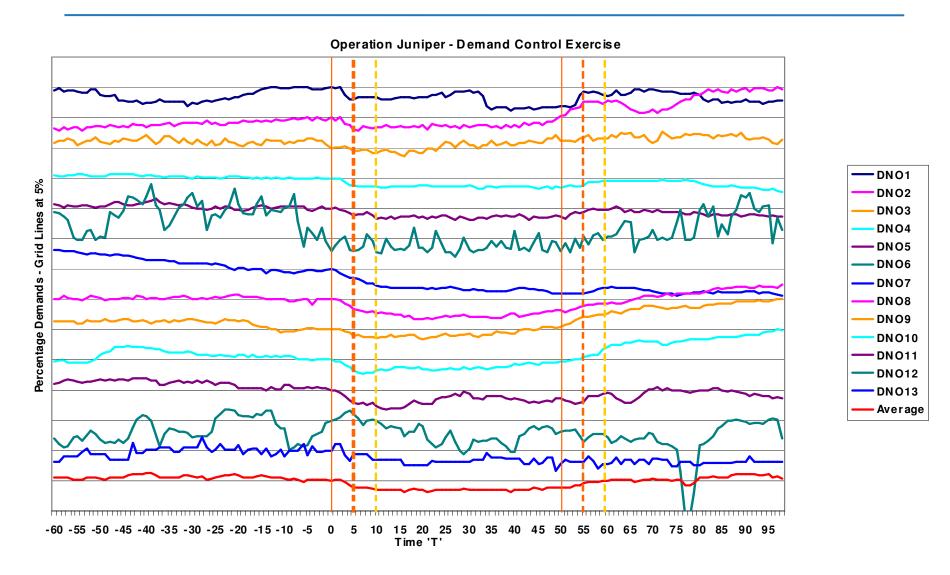
Demand Control Requirement

- DCWG established there was a continued requirement for Demand Control through Voltage Reduction.
- However,
 - Change in system conditions had reduced effectiveness of voltage reduction.
 - Delivery within 5 minutes had always been challenging.
- National Grid ENCC were unclear what could be delivered.

Voltage Reduction tests

- Voltage Reduction tests (Operation Juniper) were coordinated between DNOs and National Grid ENCC
- Thirteen DNOs involved.
- One Stage of Voltage Reduction implemented to establish timescales to delivery and demand reduction delivered.

Operation Juniper – Results (1)



Operation Juniper – Results (2)

AVERAGE	0.0%	1.1%	1.5%	0.0%	0.8%	1.2%
DNO12	0.0%	0.6%	1.6%	0.0%	0.5%	0.2%
DNO12	0.0%	-1.2%	0.0%	0.0%	-1.9%	-1.0%
DNO11	0.0%	2.0%	2.6%	0.0%	-0.6%	0.8%
DNO10	0.0%	1.8%	1.8%	0.0%	0.7%	2.7%
DNO9	0.0%	1.0%	1.4%	0.0%	1.6%	2.1%
DNO8	0.0%	1.6%	2.4%	0.0%	0.6%	1.0%
DNO7	0.0%	1.4%	2.7%	0.0%	0.2%	1.1%
DNO6	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	2.3%	2.4%
DNO5	0.0%	1.2%	1.7%	0.0%	0.9%	1.2%
DNO4	0.0%	1.2%	1.4%	0.0%	0.3%	1.1%
DNO3	0.0%	0.4%	0.7%	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%
DNO2	0.0%	1.9%	1.7%	0.0%	2.3%	2.5%
DNO1	0.0%	2.0%	1.6%	0.0%	2.3%	1.7%
	T=0	T=5	T=10	T=50	T=55	T=60

European Codes

- No code requirements covering Demand Reduction criteria.
- Article 7, Frequency Control Management of the Network Code for Operational Security states:
 - "Each TSO shall implement the necessary Remedial Actions, including Demand Side Management or Load Shedding in order to maintain the frequency quality within Operational Security Limits in its Responsibility Area."

Working Group Recommendations

- Changes to the Grid Code OC6.5.3 to improve clarity with regard to explicitly distinguishing between Voltage Reduction and Demand Disconnection services, and the implementation timescales.
- Annual Voltage Reduction tests, coordinated by National Grid, to confirm the demand reduction achievable via Voltage Reduction.
- Review and update of DNO and ENCC procedures to clarify where the Demand Control instruction requires a DNO to implement Voltage Reduction or Demand Disconnection.
- Week 24 Guidance Document published by National Grid to be updated in line with changes to Grid Code OC6.5.3