# STCP 04-3 Issue 005 Real Time Data Provision

## STC Procedure Document Authorisation

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# STC Procedure Change Control History

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Issue 002	20/04/2005	Issue 002 incorporating STCPAP002
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Issue 005	23/02/2016	Issue 005 incorporating PM085

# 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 Scope

- 1.1.1 The provision of operationally significant alarms, indications and analogue data is essential for the effective and secure operation of the Transmission System. This document details the real time data that shall be provided by the TO (including User real time data) via the Datalink.
- 1.1.2 This procedure applies to NGET and TOs, for the provision of specified alarms, analogues and indications, in real time via the Datalink.
- 1.1.3 For the purposes of this document, TOs are:
  - SPT;
  - SHET; and
  - All Offshore Transmission Licence holders as appointed by OFGEM

In the event that specific conditions or exceptions are made in the document relating to an Onshore TO or Offshore TO these will be prefixed appropriately

- 1.1.4 The obligations on NGET and TOs on the receipt of alarms are specified in STCP 2.1 (Alarm and Event Management), and are outside the scope of this document.
- 1.1.5 Management of the Datalink is detailed in STCP 4-2 (Real Time Datalink Management) and is outside the scope of this document.
- 1.1.6 STCP 4-1 (Real Time Data Change Management), sets out the change management process and is related to, but outside the scope of, this document.

#### 1.2 Objectives

- 1.2.1 The process specifies the responsibilities of NGET and TOs for the provision of real time data, including:
  - generic alarms (specified in Appendix B1);
  - other specified alarms that are operationally significant;
  - alarms from new types of equipment that are operationally significant;
  - digital status indications (specified in Appendix B2);
  - analogue data (specified in Appendix B3); and
  - real time data related to Users' Systems (specified in Appendix B4).

# 2 Key Definitions

#### 2.1 For the purposes of STCP04-3:

2.1.1 None

# 3 Procedure

#### 3.1 Alarms

3.1.1 The TO shall provide to NGET, where available, operationally significant alarms associated with the Transmission System. These are outlined in the generic table in Appendix B1.

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- 3.1.2 The TO shall provide any unique alarms associated with the Transmission System, that do not fall within the generic tables in Appendix B1, but which are agreed with NGET to be operationally significant. The schedules in Appendix B shall be updated to reflect the agreed TO/NGET provision of new generic types of alarms, or reflect changes triggered by STCP 19-2.
- 3.1.3 The TO and NGET shall agree to the provision of operationally significant alarms from new types of Plant and/or Apparatus associated with the GB Transmission System.
- 3.1.4 The TO shall inform other relevant Parties where planned work may interrupt real time alarm data, or result in the generation of spurious alarms or indications. Where agreed with NGET, the TO shall, in accordance with local procedures, suppress or inhibit the transmission of alarms from Plant and/or Apparatus removed from operational service since this could lead to excessive alarm information being sent to NGET. Any such suppression or inhibition shall be removed prior to the equipment being returned to service, unless otherwise agreed with NGET.
- 3.1.5 NGET shall procure that the User provides alarms from User equipment:
- as required by NGET pursuant to the Grid Code;
- as reasonably required by NGET; and
- as reasonably required by the TO.

These alarms shall be documented in the Connection Site Specification between NGET and the TO. The TO shall then collect and forward these alarms to NGET.

- 3.1.6 NGET shall agree with Users, the provision of real time data from User's equipment and that it shall be collected by the TO on behalf of NGET. The data to be collected shall be (i) that required pursuant to the provisions of Grid Code, (ii) that reasonably required by NGET, and (iii) that reasonably required by the TO. All the data to be collected shall be documented in a schedule between NGET and the TO. The TO shall have access to the documented data.
- 3.1.7 Where the User's site is not a TO Connection Site, agreement shall be reached between NGET and the TO, as to the most appropriate and cost effective method of collecting the required User SCADA alarm data. At TO connection sites, the TO shall collect and forward required User SCADA alarm data to NGET.

#### 3.2 Indications

- 3.2.1 The TO shall provide, where available, the telemetered digital status indications (including time tags where available), for equipment listed in Appendix B2. Where this cannot be reasonably achieved, NGET and the TO shall agree an appropriate solution.
- 3.2.2 Where status indications are not telemetered from site, or where the telemetered information is incorrect, the TO shall liaise with NGET and follow internal procedures for hand dressing actions on their SCADA system. These actions shall be reflected to NGET, via the Datalink and shall appear as telemetered indications on the NGET SCADA system.
- 3.2.3 The TO shall inform NGET before agreeing to any work that may interrupt real time indication status data, or result in the generation of spurious indications. Where appropriate, the TO shall, in accordance with local procedures, suppress or inhibit the transmission of indications from out of service transmission equipment, where this could lead to inaccurate representation of system conditions or excessive transmission of status information to NGET. Any such actions shall be removed, except otherwise agreed, prior to the equipment being returned to service.
- 3.2.4 NGET shall procure that the User provides telemetered digital indications
- as required by NGET pursuant to the Grid Code (see appendix B4.2);
- as reasonably required by NGET; and

• as reasonably required by the TO.

These telemetered digital indications shall be documented in a Connection Site Specification between NGET and the TO. The TO shall then collect and forward these indications to NGET.

- 3.2.5 Where telemetered indications from User equipment are not provided or are incorrect, the TO shall liaise with NGET and follow internal procedures for hand-dressing actions on their SCADA system. These actions shall be reflected to NGET via the Datalink and shall appear as telemetered indications on the NGET SCADA.
- 3.2.6 Where the User's site is not a TO Connection Site, agreement shall be reached between NGET and the TO, as to the most appropriate and cost effective method of collecting the required User SCADA indication data. At TO connection sites, the TO shall collect and forward required User SCADA indication data to NGET.

#### 3.3 Analogues

- 3.3.1 The TO shall provide where available, real time analogue data, as defined in Appendix B3, from each transmission site. Where this cannot reasonably be achieved, NGET and the TO shall agree an appropriate solution.
- 3.3.2 The TO shall inform NGET when analogue values are incorrect or manually overridden for any reason, the TO shall adopt procedures for hand dressing actions on their SCADA system. These actions shall be reflected to NGET via the Datalink and shall appear as telemetered indications on the NGET SCADA. Any such actions shall be removed once the analogue is returned to normal.
- 3.3.3 The TO will inform NGET before agreeing to any work that may interrupt real time analogue data or result in the generation of spurious analogue data. Where appropriate the TO will, in accordance with local procedures, suppress or inhibit the transmission of analogue data from out of service Plant and Apparatus, where this could lead to inaccurate representation of system conditions or excessive transmission of status information to NGET. Any such actions shall be removed, except otherwise agreed, prior to the Plant and Apparatus being returned to service.
- 3.3.4 NGET shall procure that the User provides analogue data from the User's system
  - as required by NGET pursuant to the Grid Code (see appendix B4.1);
  - as reasonably required by NGET; and
  - as reasonably required by the TO.

This analogue data shall be documented in a Connection Site Specification between NGET and the TO. The TO shall then collect and forward this analogue data to NGET.

3.3.5 Where the User's site is not a TO Connection Site, agreement shall be reached between NGET and the TO, as to the most appropriate and cost effective method of collecting the required User SCADA analogue data. At TO connection sites, the TO shall collect and forward required User SCADA analogue data to NGET.

#### 3.4 TO Data Acquisition

3.4.1 At NGET sites that connect with a TO's site, provision shall be made for the relevant TO to install, repair, maintain or replace appropriate data transmission equipment or related equipment, for the purpose of relaying agreed Plant status indications and analogue data associated with the connecting transmission circuits to the relevant TO.

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- 3.4.2 At NGET sites that connect a TO's site, access to the relevant TO data transmission equipment or related equipment described in 3.4.1 shall be granted by NGET as appropriate between NGET and the relevant TO. Any proposal to install or relocate such equipment shall be discussed and agreed by the two parties.
- 3.4.3 User SCADA data shall not be transmitted between TOs without the approval of the User and NGET.
- 3.4.4 Each TO shall provide to the other TO real time data, as specified in Schedule 3 of the STC, with respect to specific inter TO circuits and other circuits or equipment, where the TO can reasonably demonstrate that such data is required to discharge its TO obligations. Where User data is required this shall be requested from NGET.
- 3.4.5 NGET shall procure for the purposes of 3.4.4 above any required data from a User or Users, and shall agree the provision of such data.

# Appendix A - Flow Diagram

Note that the Process Diagrams shown in this Appendix A are for information only. In the event of any contradiction between the process represented in this Appendix and the process described elsewhere in this STCP, then the text elsewhere in this STCP shall prevail.



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# Appendix B: Standard Forms/Certificates

# B1 Generic Alarm Requirement

Protection and Sequence Alarms	Condition Alarms
Transformer Protection Operated Alarms	Transformer Protection / Cooling Faulty Alarms
Quad Booster Protection Operated Alarms	Quad Booster Protection/ Cooling Faulty Alarms
Reactive Compensation Protection Operated Alarms	Reactor Protection/ Cooling Faulty Alarms
Trip Relay Operated Alarms	Trip circuit Faulty Alarms
Circuit Main Protection Operated	Circuit Main Protection Faulty Alarms
Circuit Back up Protection Operated	Circuit breaker Operating / Insulating medium pressure Alarms
Inter trip Receive Alarms	Inter trip Faulty Alarms
	Protection Signalling Faulty Alarms
DAR Sequence / In Progress/ Operated/	DAR Scheme Faulty Alarms
Reset/ Incomplete / Locked out Alarms	
Mesh Corner Protection Operated Alarms	Mesh Corner Protection Faulty Alarms
Busbar Protection Operated Alarms	Busbar Protection Faulty Alarms
	Busbar Gas pressure Alarms
Cable Protection Operated Alarms	Cable Pressure Alarms
Circuit Breaker Fail / Interlocked Over current Operated Alarms	Circuit Breaker Fail / Interlocked Over current Faulty Alarms
	Circuit Breaker / Switch Disconnector Trip and Close lockout Alarms

# B2 Digital Status Indications Requirement

Plant/ Apparatus /Equipment	Status Indication
Circuit Breaker	Open / Closed / DBI
Isolator	Open / Closed / DBI
Switch disconnector / Isolator	Open / Closed / DBI
Protection Equipment	In / Out
DAR Equipment/ schemes	In / Out
Auto Switching Schemes	In/ Out and Selections
Demand/System/Ge nerator tripping schemes	In / Out and Selections
Fault thrower / ferro- resonance earth switch	Open / Closed (where available)
Blocking	In / Out
Ferro-resonance scheme	In/ Out
Zone 2 over ride	In / Out
Zone 1 extension	In / Out
Acceleration	In / Out

# B3 Analogue Data Requirement

Plant / Apparatus / Equipment	Analogue Data
Feeder	<i>MW / MVAr / Volts / Amps* from each end</i>
Transformer	Low Voltage MW / MVAr / Amps* Volts:
	Winding temp / Tap position / MVAr from tertiary winding where compensation is fitted
	On both LV windings where applicable
Quad Booster	<i>MW / MVAr / Volts / Amps* Winding temp / Tap position</i>
Bus Section / Coupler CB	Amps
Shunt / Series Reactor	Mw / MVAr / Winding Temp
Reactive compensation	MVAr
General Site	Frequency / Transmission Voltage / User Interface Voltage
Cables	Dynamic thermal rating in MVA
Interface Point (Embedded Transmission Only)	MW and MVAr from High Accuracy Settlement Meters

\* AMPS required if no other analogue readings are available

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# B4 User's Data Requirements (Grid Code CC.6.5.6)

#### B4.1 Analogues / Metering

Item	Analogue Data
Power Stations	_
Balancing Mechanism Unit	HV MW MVAr Frequency
Individual Alternator	HV MW MVAr
Interface with Transmission System	Voltage
Individual Unit Transformer	HV MW MVAr
Site TGO	HV MW MVAr
Power Available	MW
Other Users	
At Interface with Transmission System	MW MVAR Voltage

#### B4.2 Digital Status Indications

Item	Digital Status Indication
Power Stations	
All Generator circuits	LV and HV circuit breakers and disconnectors.
Unit Transformer	Circuit breaker
Each Generator Transformer	Tap Position Indicator
Other Users	
At Interface with Transmission System	Circuit Breakers and Disconnectors

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# Appendix C: Abbreviations & Definitions

#### **Abbreviations**

SHET Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc SPT SP Transmission plc Transmission Owner

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#### Definitions

#### STC definitions used:

Apparatus Connection Site NGET Plant Transmission System User

Definition used from other STCPs: Datalink: STCP04-2: Real Time Data Management