# **Codes Summary**

This document provides a summary as to the latest developments, which are happening on the various Industry Codes:

#### **CUSC**

#### **Authority Decisions**

Ofgem approved the original CAP099 Amendment Proposal (Incorporation of additional credit management tools within the CUSC in line with current best practice). Implementation date 21<sup>st</sup> December 2005.

Ofgem approved CAP105 Consultation Alternative Amendment C (National Grid's Name Change). Implementation date 21<sup>st</sup> December 2005.

#### **CUSC Amendments Panel Meeting**

The next meeting of the CUSC Amendment's Panel is scheduled for 16<sup>th</sup> December 2005. The following Amendment Proposals will be discussed:

- CAP107 (Frequency Response Energy Payment) Proposed by E.ON
  - A change to the calculation of Response Energy Payment under section 4.1.3.9A of the CUSC so that a generator pays, or is paid, its first Bid Price (PB<sup>1</sup><sub>ij</sub> under the BSC) for changes in energy output which occur as a result of delivering frequency response.
- CAP108-112 (Housekeeping Amendments) Proposed by National Grid

#### **BSC**

# **Authority Decisions**

Ofgem have approved P191(Revised definition of Balancing Mechanism Unit to include Power Park Modules) on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2005. Implementation date 21<sup>st</sup> December 2005.

# BSC Panel Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> December 2005

The BSC Panel Meeting covered:

#### **Modifications Progress**

P193 (Improved Arrangements for Modification Proposal Raised by the BSC Panel). The Panel confirmed the recommendation to the Authority that the Proposed Modification should be made.

P194 (Revised Derivation of the Main Energy Imbalance Price). The Panel confitmed the recommendation to the Authority that the Proposed Modification should not be made.

P196 (Treatment of Long Term Vacant Sites in Settlements). The Panel agreed that the modification should be submitted to the Assessment Procedure.

# **Grid Code**

#### Safety Papers

The two safety papers previously highlighted in the November STC Committee update were presented to the November GCRP. As a result of discussions held at the GCRP it has been agreed that representatives of National Grid and each of the TOs will meet again to further develop and clarify the proposals. Once this exercise has been completed it is intended to take forward a Grid Code consultation in order to amend the Grid Code in line with the agreed proposals.

<u>I/05: Generating Unit changes to BC1 and BC2</u>
The proposed change to the Grid Code was discussed at the last GCRP and the GCRP approved that it be taken forward through a consultation subject to a further National Grid legal review of the proposed legal text. The change is relatively minor and seeks to clarify that where Power Park Modules are subject to providing Generating Unit data through BC1 and BC2 then they will do so at the Power Park Module level rather than at the individual Power Park Unit level.

# Charging

Next ChUG meeting take place on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2005.

# AMALGAMATED ELECTRICITY CODES AMENDMENT REPORT As at 13<sup>th</sup> December 2005

This document contains the Amendment Registers for the CUSC, STC, BSC, TCMF & Grid Code and is correct as of the above date.

The most up to date versions may be found at the following websites:

STC: www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/sotocode/

CUSC: http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/systemcode/amendments/

BSC: www.elexon.co.uk/changeimplementation/ModificationProcess/ModificationReports/default.aspx

TCMF: www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Charges/TCMF/

Grid Code: www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/gridcode/reviewpanelinfo/

# STC AMENDMENT REGISTER - AS AT 1st December 2005

All documents referred to in the Amendment Register are available on the National Grid STC website.

CA015 Altering the Notification Period for STC Committee Meetings

ProposerNational GridSubmitted17/08/05SubmittedNormalPriority

#### **Amendment Description**

This proposal proposed that notice of the STC Committee Meeting and all paperwork (including the agenda) pertaining to the meeting be supplied to Committee Members at a common time. In line with other Industry Codes e.g. CUSC and BSC, it is proposed that this be set as five business days prior to the date of the Committee Meeting.

#### **Current status and progress**

CA015 was presented and discussed at the August Committee Meeting. National Grid indicated it wished to withdraw CA015 on 24/08/05. CA015 was formally withdrawn on 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday 2005, there was no support for the Amendment Proposal from any other STC Party.

# Change of Company Name for National Grid Company plc (NGC) and consequential Amendments to the STC

Proposer National Grid Submitted 12/07/05 Submitted Normal Priority

#### **Amendment Description**

**CA014** 

At National Gird Transco's Annual General Meeting (held on 25<sup>th</sup> July), shareholders approved a motion to change the name of the group to that of National Grid plc, with effective from 27<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

Due to the potential similarity between the group name National Grid plc and the holder of the Transmission Licence, National Grid Company plc, at the same time the group name was changed, National Grid Company plc was renamed National Grid Electricity Transmission plc.

This proposal proposes that the definition of NGC currently used within the STC and all occurrences of it within the STC are therefore updated.

# **Current status and progress**

CA014 was presented to the July Committee Meeting. The Committee decided that CA014 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> August 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> August 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2005. Authority approved CA014 on 16<sup>th</sup> September, for implementation on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2005.

# CA013 TEC Exchange Rate Request Process

Proposer National Grid Submitted 18/05/05 Submitted Normal Priority

#### **Amendment Description**

This amendment proposes that the STC be modified to clarify the process to be followed and the obligations on NGC and each Transmission Owner (TO) under the STC to jointly liaise in the preparation of a TEC Exchange Rate. This would occur when a TEC Exchange Rate Request is received from CUSC Parties, one or both of whom is sited in the licensed area or within the boundary of influence of a Transmission Owner.

#### **Current status and progress**

CA013 was presented to the May Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA013 should proceed to the Assessment & Report Phase. STC Parties to provide their impact and assessment analysis by 5<sup>th</sup> August 2005. Outstanding impact and assessment analysis to be submitted by 2<sup>nd</sup> September. STC Committee agreed the content and format of the Proposed Amendment Report at September's Committee Meeting. Proposed Amendment Report circulated to the industry for comment on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2005. Responses to be received by 11<sup>th</sup> October 2005. Draft version of Amendment Report to be present to STC Committee Meeting in October for review/comment/approval. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2005.

# CA012 STC – Table of Contents

Proposer National Grid Submitted 12/04/05 Submitted Normal Priority

#### **Amendment Description**

Insert Heading I14 and associated wording in the Table of Contents Document.

Recent authority direction in relation to EELPS inserted paragraph I14 into the STC but did not add the corresponding heading into the Table of Contents Document.

#### **Current status and progress**

CA012 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA012 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

# CA011 STC – Table of Contents

ProposerNational GridSubmitted12/04/05SubmittedNormalPriority

# **Amendment Description**

Insert Heading G20 and associated wording in the Table of Contents Document.

Recent authority direction in relation to Schedule 3 inserted paragraph G20 into the STC but did not add the corresponding heading into the Table of Contents Document.

# **Current status and progress**

CA011 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA011 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

**CA010** 

# Schedule 3 – Amendment to paragraph 2.5.1

**Proposer** 

National Grid

Submitted

12/04/05

Submitted Priority

Normal

#### **Amendment Description**

Reference to 'Construction Agreement' should be amended to 'TO Construction Agreement'.

Amending incorrect terminology within Schedule 3, paragraph 2.5.1

#### **Current status and progress**

CA010 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA010 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

**CA009** 

# Schedule 3, - Amendment to Paragraph 2.3.2 - Incorrect cross referencing

Proposer

National Grid

Submitted

12/04/05

**Submitted** Normal

**Priority** 

#### **Amendment Description**

Cross-reference should be amended to refer to sub-paragraphs 2.4.7(a) - (g), not 2.4.6(a) - (g).

Reference to sub-paragraphs 2.4.6 (a) - (g) will be corrected to read 2.4.7 (a) to (g).

# **Current status and progress**

CA009 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA009 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

**CA008** 

# Schedule 3 – Amendment to paragraph 2.1.3 (a)

Proposer

National Grid

Submitted

12/04/05

Submitted Normal Priority

#### **Amendment Description**

Reference to 'Construction Agreement' should be amended to 'TO Construction Agreement'.

Amending incorrect terminology within Schedule 3, paragraph 2.1.3 (a).

# **Current status and progress**

CA008 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA008 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

# STC AMENDMENT REGISTER - AS AT 1st December 2005

**CA007** 

# Section I, Paragraph 13.1 – Correction of sub-paragraph numbering

Proposer National Grid

Submitted

12/04/05

Submitted Normal

**Priority** 

### **Amendment Description**

Sub-paragraph numbering for Section I, paragraph 13.1 starts at 13.1.2 instead of 13.1.

Correction of sub-paragraph numbering of Section I, Paragraph 13.1

# Current status and progress

CA007 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA007 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

**CA006** 

# Section G, paragraph 18.1 – removal of obsolete text.

Proposer National Grid

Submitted

12/04/05

Submitted

Normal

**Priority** 

#### **Amendment Description**

Removal of obsolete text - 'to the effect that the law governing the place in which such immovable property' - at the end of Section G, paragraph 18.1.

The authority decision letter for STC Housekeeping amendment deleted words from Section G, paragraph 18.1 but did not remove 'to the effect that the law governing the place in which such immovable property'. Resulting in the current paragraph becoming ineffectual.

#### **Current status and progress**

CA006 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA006 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

CA005

#### Section J – New Definitions

**Proposer** 

**National Grid** 

**Submitted** 

12/04/05

**Submitted** Normal

# **Amendment Description**

There are currently no definitions listed for: 'Local Switching Procedure', 'Local Joint Restoration Plan' and 'De-Synchronised Island Procedure'.

The authority decision letter for OC7 and OC9 introduced the following terminology into the STC: Local Switching Procedure, Local Joint Restoration Plan and De-Synchronised Island Procedure but did not provide the relevant definition in Section J.

# **Current status and progress**

**Priority** 

CA005 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA005 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

# STC AMENDMENT REGISTER - AS AT 1st December 2005

CA004

Section I, Paragraph 1.2, Correction of Typing Error

**Proposer** 

National Grid

Submitted

12/04/05

**Submitted** Normal

**Priority** 

### **Amendment Description**

Section I, Paragraph 1.2 finishes with an end bracket ")" instead of full stop"."

The authority decision letter for SLC C18 introduced within Section 1 subparagraph 1.2 however the legal text finishes the sentence with an end bracket instead of a full stop.

#### Current status and progress

CA004 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA004 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

CA003 Introduction of Version Control

ProposerNational GridSubmitted12/04/05SubmittedNormalPriority

#### **Amendment Description**

Introduction of version control throughout STC documentation i.e. Sections, and Schedules.

Currently there is no version control of the STC sections and schedules, the introduction of which would assist in the electronic servicing of the STC.

#### **Current status and progress**

CA003 was presented to the April Committee meeting. Amendment was evaluated and an alternative amendment proposed. The Alternative Amendment proposes that to ease interested 'parties' servicing of the code, upon each update of a section of the Code, the entire section should be reissued rather than just the affected pages as proposed by the original CA003. The Committee decided that CA003 and the Alternative Amendment should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved the Alternative Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

# STC AMENDMENT REGISTER - AS AT 1<sup>st</sup> December 2005

CA002

# Section I, Paragraph 9.1 – Correction of sub-paragraphs numbering

**Proposer** 

National Grid

Submitted

12/04/05

**Submitted** Normal

**Priority** 

### **Amendment Description**

Sub-paragraph numbering for Section I, paragraph 9.1 starts at 9.1.2 instead of 9.1.1

Correction of sub-paragraph numbering of Section I, Paragraph 9.1 and amend subsequent paragraph numbering and cross referencing accordingly throughout paragraph 9.

#### **Current status and progress**

CA002 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA002 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

**CA001** 

# Section J, Paragraph 1.1 – Correction of Referencing Error

Proposer National Grid

Submitted

12/04/05

Submitted

Normal

**Priority** 

#### **Amendment Description**

Section J, Paragraph 1.1 refers to 'Section I' and requires correction to read 'Section J'.

Correction of referencing error at the beginning of Section J, Paragraph 1.1.

#### **Current status and progress**

CA001 was presented to the April Committee meeting. The Committee decided that CA001 should proceed to industry consultation. The Proposed Amendment Report was issued on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2005 and comments requested by 16<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Committee agreed the Amendment Report on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2005. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005. Ofgem approved Amendment Proposal on 1<sup>st</sup> July, the change was implemented on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2005.

# CUSC AMENDMENT REGISTER - AS AT 6<sup>th</sup> December 2005

All documents referred to in the Amendment Register are available on the National Grid CUSC website.

#### **CAP106**

# Amendment to Revise Paragraph 4.5.1 (Indexation – Application) of the CUSC

**Proposer** National Grid

Submitted 20/10/05

Submitted Priority

Normal

#### **Amendment Description**

CAP106 seeks to amend an inconsistency in the text of 4.5.1 (Indexation – Application) which has arisen from an interaction between the implemented legal text of CAP047 and CAP076, the precise mechanics of the implementation of these two modifications mean that 4.5.1 no longer reads clearly.

# **Current status and progress**

CAP106 was presented to the October Panel meeting. The Panel decided that CAP106 should proceed to industry consultation. The consultation report was circulated on 31<sup>st</sup> October, with a closing date of 15<sup>th</sup> November 2005. The Final Amendment Report was submitted to the Authority for their consideration and determination on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2006.

#### Impact on STC:

None identified

**CAP105** 

# Change of Company Name for National Grid Company plc (NGC)

**Proposer** National Grid

Submitted <sub>17/08/05</sub>

Submitted Priority Normal

# **Amendment Description**

It is proposed that the CUSC is amended to reflect the recent Company Name change of National Grid Company plc (NGC) to National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (NGET).

# Impact on STC:

None identified

# **Current status and progress**

CAP105 was presented to the August Panel meeting. The Panel decided that CAP105 should proceed to industry consultation. The consultation report was circulated on  $2^{\rm nd}$  September, with a closing date of  $3^{\rm rd}$  October 2005. A second period of consultation commenced on  $6^{\rm th}$  October, concluding on  $20^{\rm th}$  October 2005. The Draft Amendment Report was circulated  $26^{\rm th}$  October and the Final Amendment Report was submitted to the Authority on  $3^{\rm rd}$  November 2005.

# Amendments to System to Generator Intertrip related terms Concurrently defined in the Grid Code and the CUSC

**Proposer** National Grid

Submitted <sub>17/08/05</sub>

Submitted Priority Normal

#### **Amendment Description**

This amendment proposal seeks to remove the definitions of system to generator Inter-trip categories from the CUSC and replace them with a reference to the Grid Code where they are concurrently defined in an identical manner.

# Impact on STC:

None identified

# **Current status and progress**

CAP104 was presented to the August Panel meeting. The Panel decided that CAP104 should proceed to industry consultation. The consultation report was issued on  $30^{th}$  August 2005 with a closing date of  $30^{th}$  September 2005. The Final Amendment Report was submitted to the Authority for determination on  $14^{th}$  October 2005.

#### **CAP103**

# **Flexibility of Working Group Internal Procedures**

**Proposer** National Grid

Submitted 21/07/05

Submitted Normal Priority

#### **Amendment Description**

This proposal would provide increased flexibility to the Working Group process by providing the Working Group with the ability to unilaterally alter membership for the period up to the next Amendments Panel, following which the Amendments Panel could either uphold or overturn the Working Group changes of membership.

Furthermore, it proposes that Working Group members are able to agree a three day timetable for the approval of Working Group Reports by the Working Group if all Working Group Members agree to this. However, in the event of no agreement, the standard five day timetable for approval would remain.

# Impact on STC:

None identified

#### **Current status and progress**

CAP103 was presented to the July Panel. The Panel determined that CAP103 should be considered by the Governance Standing Group, acting as a Working Group and report back to the September Panel. The Panel at the September meeting determined that CAP103 should proceed to wider industry consultation. The consultation report was circulated on 30<sup>th</sup> September, with a closing date of 14<sup>th</sup> October 2005 A second period of consultation commenced on 20<sup>th</sup> October until 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2005. The Final Amendment Report was submitted to the Authority for their consideration and determination on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2005.

# Revision of CUSC Amendment Provisions to Ensure that Amendment Reports Include a Collective CUSC Panel Recommendation

CAP100/101

# Removal of the Amendments Panel Chairman's Casting Vote – In Context of Amendments Panel Recommendations

**Proposer** National Grid

Submitted 21/07/05

Submitted Nor

Normal

CAP100 has been amalgamated with CAP101

#### **Amendment Description**

CUSC Amendment Reports currently contain a Section for Panel Members views to be recorded. However, there is no opportunity for the Amendments Panel to make, and have recorded within the final Amendment Report, a collective recommendation to the Authority as to whether an Amendment proposal (and any Alternative Amendments) in the view of the Amendments Panel, better facilitate the Applicable Code Objectives.

Following discussions with the Governance Standing Group, NGC propose that when an Amendment Report has reached the point at which it would currently go to the Authority (i.e after the Amendments Report has been circulated to the Industry in draft form) it should instead be tabled at the next Amendments Panel.

The Amendments Panel would be required to vote as to whether they believed that the Amendment Proposal, and any Alternatives, better facilitated the Applicable Code Objectives. This vote would be recorded in the Panel Members Views Section. (Clearly Panel Members could abstain should they so wish.) In addition to the vote, any comments that Panel Members wished to have recorded, in relation to their view as to whether a proposal better facilitated the Applicable Code Objectives would also be noted within this section. Following the Amendments Panel Meeting, the Amendment Report, including the Panel Vote and views would be circulated to the Panel for 5 business days, to allow Panel Members a chance to check the factual accuracy of the way in which their views had been recorded. The Amendment Report would at that point be sent to the Authority.

Impact on STC:
None identified

#### **Current status and progress**

CAP100 was presented to the July Panel. The Panel determined that CAP100 should be considered by the Governance Standing Group, acting as a Working Group and present their Final Report to the September Panel. At the August Panel, it was agreed to amalgamate CAP100 with CAP101. The Panel at the September meeting determined that CAP100/101 should proceed to wider industry consultation. The consultation report was circulated on 30<sup>th</sup> September, with a closing date of 14<sup>th</sup> October 2005. A further period of consultation commenced 20<sup>th</sup> October 2005 until 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2005. The Final Amendment Report was submitted to the Authority for their consideration and determination on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2005.

# **Incorporation of Additional Credit Management Tools**

Proposer Bizzenergy Submitted 21/07/05 Submitted Priority Normal

#### **Amendment Description**

This amendment seeks to Modify the CUSC to incorporate provisions to allow the use of:

- 1. A Performance Bond
- 2. Bi-lateral insurance
- 3. Independent Security
- 4. Advanced Payment

Objectives incorporating the Best Practice Guidelines for Network Operator Credit Cover Conclusions Document published in February 2005 by OFGEM.

### Impact on STC:

None identified

#### **Current status and progress**

CAP099 was presented to the July Panel. The Panel determined that CAP099 should be considered by a Working Group, and present their Final Report to the September Panel. The Panel at the September meeting determined that CAP099 should proceed to wider industry consultation. The consultation report was circulated on 28<sup>th</sup> September, with a closing date of 28<sup>th</sup> October 2005. The Draft Amendment Report was circulated on 2nd November 2005. The Final Amendment Report was submitted to the Authority for their consideration and determination on 11th November 2005.

# CAP097 Revision to the Contractual Requirements for Small and Medium Embedded Power Stations under 6.5

Proposer National Grid Submitted 21/07/05 Submitted Priority Normal

#### **Amendment Description**

This Amendment Proposal clarifies NGC's requirements from Embedded Small and Medium Power Stations in order to efficiently discharge its obligations imposed through the Transmission Licence and the Act. In setting out the requirements this Amendment Proposal recognises the Grid Code LEEMPS proposal in relation to the NGC/ DNO / Medium Power Station interfaces and seeks to ensure the CUSC processes under CUSC 6.5 are consistent with the requirements of the Grid Code.

This Amendment Proposal therefore includes additional requirements that whilst stand-alone support proposals by the LEEMPS working group under the Grid Code. The Grid Code changes are based on an indirect relationship between NGC and Embedded Medium Power Stations, facilitated via the DNO. The DNO would ensure the Embedded Medium Power Station complies with the relevant requirements of the Grid Code, including the provision of information to allow NGC to assess the impact of an Embedded development on the Transmission System.

# Impact on STC:

Consequential knock-on effects identified within STC, and National Grid has proposed STC Amendment Proposal CA016 to address theses issues. Two Working Group Alternative Amendments have been submitted, and National Grid has suggested that STC Parties (including National Grid) may wish to consider proposing STC Alterative Amendments which more closely correspond to each separate proposal.

#### **Current status and progress**

CAP097 was presented to the July Panel. The Panel determined that CAP097 should be considered by a Working Group and present their Final Report to the October Panel. The Working Group presented their Final Report to the Panel on 28<sup>th</sup> October. The Panel determined that CAP097 should proceed to wider industry consultation. The Consultation commenced on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2005, until the 12<sup>th</sup> December 2005.

# CAP095 Removal of Operational Day Reference from Ex Post Publication of Response Information

Proposer National Grid Submitted 15/06/05 Submitted Priority Normal

# **Amendment Description**

CAP095 will align the timeframes for the publication of ex ante and ex post information on mandatory frequency response on a calendar basis in preparation for the implementation of CAP047 on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2005.

# Impact on STC:

None identified

#### **Current status and progress**

The Panel agreed that CAP095 should go straight to industry consultation. The Consultation opened on 06/07/05 and will close on 5/08/05. The Amendment Report was submitted to Ofgem on 19/08/05. The Authority determined on 14<sup>th</sup> October that CAP095 should be implemented on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2005.

# **Limited Duration Transmission Entry Capacity**

**Proposer** First Hydro

Submitted 15/06/05

Submitted Priority Normal

#### **Amendment Description**

CAP094 seeks to introduce a new access product – Limited Duration Transmission Entry Capacity (LDTEC). The current access products do not embrace circumstances where TEC is available for the remainder of the financial year but NGC is not able to grant enduring TEC because of the time taken to analyse a proposal or future rights not being available. The new product would also extend to circumstances where the generator only requires TEC for the remainder of the financial year and does not require enduring TEC rights.

# Impact on STC:

None identified

#### **Current status and progress**

The Panel agreed that CAP094 should be considered by a Working Group reporting back to the August Panel. The Panel agreed to an extension of the working group consideration of one month and that the Working Group Report should be presented to the September Panel meeting. The Panel determined at the September meeting that CAP094 should proceed to wider industry consultation. The consultation report was circulated on 4<sup>th</sup> October, with a closing date of 4<sup>th</sup> November 2005. A second period of consultation was undertaken commencing on 14<sup>th</sup> November until 28<sup>th</sup> November 2005. The Draft Amendment Report was circulated on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2005. The Final Amendment Report will be submitted to the Authority on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2005.

# **CAP093**

# Enabling the Flow of Electricity From Distribution Systems Into the Transmission System at Grid Supply Points

**Proposer** Central Networks

Submitted 15/06/05

Submitted Normal

# **Amendment Description**

CAP093 aims to recognise the flow of electricity from distribution systems into the transmission system at Grid Supply Points. This will be achieved by altering the CUSC definitions of Grid Supply Point and Distribution System, and by making any necessary consequential changes.

# Impact on STC:

The definition of Distribution System changes if either the original or Working Alternative Amendment Proposal is approved. Currently the STC definition refers to the CUSC as at the Code Effective Date. If the CUSC was amendment with the new definition, the STC would still refer to the previous definition of the term. The STC definition may have to be updated to reflect CUSC changes.

# **Current status and progress**

The Panel agreed that CAP093 should be considered by a Working Group reporting back to the September Panel. The Panel at the September meeting determined that CAP093 should proceed to wider industry consultation. The consultation report was circulated on 29<sup>th</sup> September, with a closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2005. A consultation alternative was proposed and a second period of consultation was due to commence by 7<sup>th</sup> November 2005. The Final Amendment Report was submitted to the Authority for their consideration and determination on 5/12/05.

# CAP092 Consistent Generation Use of System Charge Liability Provisions for Transmission Access Products.

Proposer e.on Submitted 15/06/05 Submitted Priority Normal

#### **Amendment Description**

CAP092 seeks to cap the charges payable for STTEC and/or TEC in any one financial year to that which would have been paid for TEC alone. The proposer argues that paying more for tranches of STTEC compared to what would have been paid in annual TEC charges is an unintended consequence of the introduction of the product. The proposer argues that this gives rise to discrimination and thus adverse effects on competition.

# Impact on STC: None identified

#### **Current status and progress**

The Panel agreed that CAP092 should be considered by a Working Group reporting back to the August Panel. At the August Panel Meeting, it was agreed that the Working Group Report should be presented to the September Panel meeting. The Panel at the September meeting determined that CAP092 should proceed to wider industry consultation. The consultation report was circulated on 27<sup>th</sup> September, with a closing date of 28<sup>th</sup> October 2005. Draft Amendment Report was circulated on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2005. The Final Amendment Report was submitted to the Authority on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2005.

# CAP091 Establishment and maintenance of an Unsecured Credit Allowance for Rated and Unrated Companies and the alignment of the Value at Risk calculation with current best practice.

ProposerBizzEnergySubmitted20/05/05SubmittedPriority

#### **Amendment Description**

This amendment seeks to Modify the CUSC to incorporate provisions for unrated companies to establish an appropriate line of credit in accordance with the CUSC Objectives taking account of the Best Practice Guidelines for Network Operator Credit Cover Conclusions Document published in February 2005 by OFGEM.

For example it is anticipated that at a high level the modification should include amongst other things:

- 1. Establish an unsecured credit allowance for unrated counterparties by using the payment record.
- 2. Where a company rated in the lower bands or an unrated counterparty seeks to increase its unsecured credit allowance it can do so by submitting to independent assessment of its creditworthiness.
- 3. Recalculation of the Demand Reconciliation Credit Cover amount of 10%.

# Impact on STC:

None identified

#### **Current status and progress**

CAP091 was presented to the May 2005 Panel. The Panel determined that CAP091 should be considered by a Working Group reporting back to the August 2005 Panel. At the July Panel, the Working Group made representation that CAP091 should be merged with the previously merged CAP089/090. The Working Group presented their combined Final Report to the August Panel. The Panel determined that CAP0089/09091 should proceed to wider industry consultation. The consultation report was circulated on 2<sup>nd</sup> September, with a closing date of 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2005. A high volume of Consultation Alternatives were proposed, a second period of consultation commenced on 10<sup>th</sup> October, concluding on 24<sup>th</sup> October 05. The Draft Amendment Report was submitted to the Authority 8<sup>th</sup> November 2005.

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# **Credit Limits for rated companies**

Proposer National Grid

Submitted

20/05/05

Submitted Normal

#### **Amendment Description**

The amendment seeks to address and codify Ofgem's recommendations within its Network Operator Best Practice guidelines.

This amendment would introduce the rules of establishing individual user limits based on a percentage of the maximum credit limit.

CAP:089 proposed that the CUSC should set a maximum credit limit based on 2% of Regulatory Asset Value of an individual Network Operator. This proposal is that individual counterparty credit limits and those that use Parent Company Guarantees or aggregates of both, should be set using credit ratings applied under the 'Basel 2' rules for determining bank capital adequacy. The implication is that the maximum credit allowances of 100 percent of maximum credit limit for AAA/AA and 40 percent for A. For the third band, (BBB) NGC proposes, consistent with Ofgem's guidelines, that the above allowance be further subdivided, such that the following are applied to rated entities:

# Impact on STC:

None identified

#### **Current status and progress**

CAP090 was presented to the May 2005 Panel. The Panel determined that CAP090 should be considered by a Working Group reporting back to the August 2005 Panel. At the July Panel the Working Group made representation that CAP's089 and 090 should be merged. The Panel agreed that the Working Group should present a combined Final Report to the August Panel. See CAP091

# **Maximum Unsecured Credit Limit**

**Proposer** National Grid

Submitted

20/05/04

Submitted Normal

#### **Amendment Description**

The amendment seeks to address and codify Ofgem's recommendations within its Network Operator Best Practice guidelines.

It is proposed that that Network Operators should set a maximum credit limit based on 2% of Regulatory Asset Value. Currently there is no unsecured credit limit within CUSC if a user has NGC credit rating (A- or A3 respectively as set by Standard and Poor's or Moody's for connection charges, BBB- or Baa3 respectively as set by Standard and Poor's or Moody's for Use of System charges). CUSC will require amending in order to implement the criteria for setting the maximum credit limit.

# Impact on STC:

None identified

#### **Current status and progress**

CAP089 was presented to the May 2005 Panel. The Panel determined that CAP089 should be considered by a Working Group reporting back to the August 2005 Panel. See CAP091

P 196	Treatment of Long Term Vacant Sites in Settlements				
Proposer	Afroze Miah	Modification Description	Current progress	<b>Current Status</b>	
Organisation	E.ON UK	This modification is proposing a solution to allow for the	An IWA in respect of P196 will be	ELEXON Committee/ BSC Panel	
Raised	25/11/2005	equitable treatment of long term vacant sites within settlements. This modification has been raised following significant work undertaken as part of Issue 14. The Issue 14 Group reviewed the current treatment of long term vacant sites within the BSC and their impact on Settlements and associated areas. The Group concluded that this issue is materially significant and the majority believed that a modification to the BSC should be raised to resolve the problems associated with such sites. This modification therefore includes some of the key outputs from that group as support.	presented to the BSC Panel on 8 December 2005		
Process	NORMAL			Status update	
Authority Report Date	May 2006			25-Nov-05	
Modification Group	VASMG				

P 194	Revised Derivation of the 'Main' Energy Imbalance Price				
Proposer	Mark Brackley	Modification Description	Current progress	<b>Current Status</b>	
Organisation	NATIONAL GRID	The proposal is to amend the calculation of the 'Main'	At its meeting of 10 November 2005 the	Draft Report	
Raised	26/08/2005	maximum volume of priced balancing actions, remaining in the Net Imbalance Volume (NIV), will contribute to the derivation of the volume weighted average imbalance price. The maximum volume of priced balancing actions will be the most expensive 100MWh remaining in the NIV.	BSC Panel determined that P194 should be submitted to the Report Phase with a provisional recommendation that the Proposed Modification should not be made. A provisional Implementation Date of 2 November 2006 if an Authority decision is received on or before 23 March 2006, or 22 February 2007 if the Authority decision is received after 23 March 2006 but on or before 13 July 2006 The P194 draft Modification Report		
Process	NORMAL			Status update	
Authority Report Date	December 2005			15-Nov-05	
Modification Group	PSMG				

will be submitted to the Panel at its meeting of 08 December 2005.

P 193	Process Improvements for Modification Proposals				
Proposer	John Greasley	Modification Description	Current progress	Current Status	
Organisation	NATIONAL GRID	This proposal seeks to amend the existing Code provisions	At its meeting of 10 November 2005 the	Draft Report	
Raised	26/08/2005	such that, where a Modification Proposal is raised by the Panel on the recommendation of BSCCo or the TDC as	BSC Panel determined that P193 should be submitted to the Report Phase with a		
Process	NORMAL	described in F2.1.1(d), the Panel may submit the proposal directly to Definition, Assessment or Report at the same	provisional recommendation that the Proposed Modification should be made	Status update	
Authority Report Date	December 2005	meeting at which the Panel agrees to raise the Mod. In practice, this will mean that the IWA is presented at the	with a provisional Implementation Date of 5 Working Days following an	15-Nov-05	
Modification Group	GSMG	same time as BSCCo's/the TDC's recommendation to the proposal - either as part of the recommendation paperitself, or as a separate attachment.			

# **Grid Code**

Table 1 - Consultation Papers - Current Status Report – 13<sup>th</sup> December 2005

Issue	Summary of current position	Work Programme
Licence Exempt Embedded Medium Power Stations D/05	Consultation closed.	Working Group report to be discussed at 20 July EGCRP. Consultation report sent on 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2005. Replies to be received by 7 <sup>th</sup> October 2005. Consultation closed on 7 <sup>th</sup> October 2005, 6 responses received. Discussion with respondents on-going. Report to be submitted w/e 23 <sup>rd</sup>
OC8 and Local Safety Instructions in Scotland	Consultation closed.	December 205.  Consultation responses required by 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2005.
E/05		
Proposed Relevant Electrical Standards Document GES/1/05	Consultation closed.	Consultation responses received by 28 <sup>th</sup> October, 3 responses received. GCRP approved modified document. RES to be implemented on 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2005. RES will replace existing NGT's (applies to England & Wales only)
OC2 'Phase 2 – Short Term' Proposals	Consultation closed.	Consultation responses required by 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2005.
H/05		
Generating Unit changes to BC1 and BC2	Consultation Pending	
1/05		