

Code Administrator Meeting Summary

Meeting name: GSR032 - Facilitate Implementation of the Electricity System Restoration Standard Showstopper

Date: 30/05/2023

Contact Details

Chair: Milly Lewis, National Grid ESO milly.lewis@nationalgrideso.com

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Key areas of discussion

The aims of Workgroup meeting 4 were to; review actions from the last meeting, review the Draft Workgroup Consultation and legal text documents, and discuss questions arising from those documents.

Actions

The Chair confirmed that both actions from Workgroup 3 (LH circulating legal text to the Workgroup and ML circulating the Draft Workgroup Consultation to the Workgroup) had been completed and were now closed.

Review of the Draft Legal Text

LH presented the draft legal text and the questions/suggested changes that had been submitted by the Workgroup since the last meeting. Changes were discussed and made on screen by the Proposer, with Workgroup members asked to agree to the final changes made.

Terms and Definitions

- In reference to the definition of 'Restoration Plan', the wording was adjusted (at the suggestion of a Workgroup member) to ensure it is clear that all parties (including TOs and OFTOs) will need to agree to a Restoration Plan rather than a plan being imposed upon them. The 'Company' was also renamed 'NGESO' (National Grid Electricity System Operator) as per current convention in the SQSS.

Appendix I

- I.1: A Workgroup member queried whether the clause needed to relate to the date of a connection agreement, but the Workgroup agreed to keep the wording unchanged.

- I.1.1: It was agreed by the group to keep the words ‘as appropriate’ in the clause to include situations where parts of the network may not be appropriate for a restoration plan to be applied.
- I.1.2: To keep wording concise, the Workgroup agreed to remove the words ‘their plant’ from the clause (with no impact on the meaning of the clause).
- I.1.3: In response to a Workgroup member’s query about whether this clause was covered by clause I.1.1, it was discussed that I.1.3 was written to reflect what was in the sub-group report and that it is therefore further to what appears in I.1.1 (and is also covered by STC 16.1). This clause also relates to a consultation question so it can be reviewed, if necessary, when all consultation responses have been received.

Review of the Draft Workgroup Consultation

The Chair shared the draft document on screen for input from the Workgroup for proposed changes in the following sections:

- **Impact level** – the Workgroup accepted the change to stipulate that the modification had no impact on the existing OFTO network.
- **Executive summary** – the Workgroup accepted the expansion of the SQSS (Security and Quality of Supply Standard) and DESNZ (Department of Energy Security & Net Zero) acronyms.
- **Proposer’s solution summary** – the Workgroup accepted the changes to the summary wording to better reflect the final solution agreed as part of the Workgroup.
- **Implementation date** – the Workgroup accepted updates to the implementation dates to keep consistency with, and match the obligations of, the GC0156 (Facilitating the Implementation of the Electricity System Restoration Standard) modification.
- **Impact of the change** – the Workgroup agreed changes to the wording to confirm the exclusion of retrospective action for OFTOs as a result of this modification.
- **Proposer’s solution** – the Workgroup agreed certain changes to the text in the meeting. In addition, it was agreed between the Workgroup and the Proposer that further detail of the solution, as stated in the Appendix I.1.2, should be included in the Workgroup Consultation document.

Action 8: The Proposer will add the relevant updated (and agreed) text for Appendix I.1.2 into the Workgroup Consultation document.

- **Considerations of the Proposer’s solution** – the Workgroup agreed to the suggested wording changes relating to points on the updates to the SQSS, draft legal text and the definition of ‘demand’. For the point of network design, new wording is to be drafted in line with Appendix I.1.3 to be included in the Workgroup Consultation.

Action 9: CB to draft the suggested wording to reflect comments made on Appendix I.1.3, and the multiple issues discussed re: network design during the Workgroup process. This is to be emailed to the Workgroup for agreement before the Chair adds it to the consultation document.

- Obligation, representation and retrospectivity – the Workgroup accepted the proposed changes to the wording relating to the worked example of retrospective ESRS exemption.

Action 10: LH to check that this change is reflected in the legal text.

- Impact assessments and cost considerations – the Workgroup agreed to remove a reference to OFTOs needing to approach Ofgem regarding investment across industry to meet the new standards.

Action 11: LH to check on whether OFTOs should/would need to engage with Ofgem on this point.

- The Workgroup agreed to further wording changes relating to the Transmission System and Restoration Capacity, the blanket nature of changes across the network as a result of the modification and the implementation dates.
- Specific Workgroup Consultation questions – the Workgroup agreed to the proposed wording changes, with clarity added to question 6 to specify that it relates to the post restoration plan phase.
- The Workgroup agreed to the addition of the additional acronyms in the document.
- It was confirmed to the Workgroup that the Workgroup’s assessment of assurance activities were included in Annex 4 of the Workgroup Consultation.

Next Steps

- Actions from this meeting completed as required.
- LH to share the final legal text with the Chair who will send out the Workgroup Consultation (then live until 20 June).
- Workgroup Consultation responses will be shared with the group ahead of the next meeting on 22 June

Actions

Action number	Workgroup Raised	Owner	Action	Comment	Due by	Status
8	Showstopper	LH	Proposer to update WG Consultation document in line with the latest legal text from Appendix I.1.2		31 May	Open
9	Showstopper	CB	Create wording re: network design considerations		31 May	Open
10	Showstopper	LH	Legal text to be checked and updated re: the worked example for ESRS exemption		31 May	Open
11	Showstopper	LH	Check whether OFTOs should/would need to engage with Ofgem re: investment costs		22 June	Open

Attendees

Name	Initial	Company	Role
Milly Lewis	ML	Code Administrator, ESO	Chair
Elana Byrne	EB	Code Administrator, ESO	Tech Sec
Llewellyn Hoenselaar	LH	ESO	Proposer
Anthony Johnson	AJ	ESO	Observer
Bieshoy Awad	BA	ESO	Observer
Cornel Brozio	CB	SP Energy Networks	Workgroup member
David Lyon	DL	Frontier Power	Workgroup member
Fyali Jibji-Buka	FJB	ESO	Observer
Kwaku Nti	KN	ESO	Observer
Lewis Morgan	LM	NGET	Workgroup member
Lizzie Timmons	LT	ESO	Observer
Mark Ajal	MA	SSE	Workgroup member
Sara Nanchian	SN	ESO	Observer