

Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP) 25 July 2024

Grid Code Review Panel Minutes

Date: 25/07/2024 **Location:** Microsoft Teams
Start: 10:00 AM **End:** 13:15 PM

Participants

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Trisha McAuley	TM	Independent Panel Chair
Lizzie Timmins	LT	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Sarah Williams	SW	Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator
Alan Creighton	AC	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Alastair Frew	AF	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Antony Johnson	AJ	Alternate, National Grid ESO
David Monkhouse	DM	Panel Member, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Donald Eide	DE	Alternate, Authority Representative
Fraser Norris	FN	Alternate, Generator Representative
Graeme Vincent	GV	Alternate, Network Operator Representative
Gurpal Singh	GS	Authority Representative
Nadir Hafeez	NH	Authority Observer
Rashmi Radhakrishnan	RR	Panel Member, BSC Representative
Robert Longden	RL	Panel Member, Supplier Representative
Ross Kirkwood	RK	Panel Member, Onshore Transmission Licensee Representative

Apologies

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Claire Newton	CN	ESO Panel Member
Darshak Shah	DS	Panel Member, Generator Representative
John Harrower	JH	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Matthew White	MW	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Nara Arava	NA	Alternate, Generator Representative
Sigrid Bolik	SB	Panel Member, Generator Representative

Presenters / Observers

Attendee	Initials	
Charlotte Walker	CW	National Grid ESO, Digital Code Presenter
Chris Salter	CS	National Grid ESO, FPN Presenter
David Dixon	DD	National Grid ESO, FPN Presenter
David Halford	DH	National Grid ESO, GC0174 Presenter
Shazia Akhtar	SA	National Grid ESO, Observer
Teri Puddefoot	TP	National Grid ESO, Digital Code Presenter

1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

10514. Apologies were received from Claire Newton, Darshak Shah, John Harrower, Matthew White, Nara Arava and Sigrid Bolik.

10515. No declarations of interest were noted by the Panel.

2. Minutes from previous meetings

10516. The minutes from the Panel meetings held on 30 May 2024 and 27 June 2024 were approved, incorporating the editorial amendments from AC and AJ.

3. Review of actions log

LT gave an update on the open actions, as follows:

10517. **Actions 456, 459 and 460** – To remain open, with further updates to be given at the August 2024 Panel.

10518. **Action 458** – Process flow diagrams including the Panel recommendation vote were circulated to the Panel on 24 July 2024 and will be discussed further later in the meeting. The Panel agreed to close this action.

10519. **Action 461** – The necessary arrangements have been put in place and Mike Kay is now a Workgroup member on GC0169/GC0173. The Panel agreed to close this action.

4. Chair's update

10520. There were no Chair updates.

5. Authority Decisions

10521. GS advised that the Authority has commenced publishing again and are in the process of confirming new expected decision dates for code modifications with them for decision. This is part of an Ofgem-wide strategic review of all publications.

10522. GS advised that the Authority would look to communicate these Expected Decision Dates (EDDs) where possible at code Panel meetings, however for the time being they will not be publishing an updated EDD register on their website.

10523. GS advised that the EDD for GC0117 is still planned for 23 August 2024.

6. New Modifications

GC0174: Removal of obligation to provide EU Transparency Availability Data as specified in OC2.4.7

10524. DH re-presented GC0174 to the Panel, which looks to remove the obligation for parties to submit EU Transparency Availability Data as specified in OC2.4.7 as it is no longer required following the approval of BSC Modification CP1583.
10525. One Panel member felt that the REMIT obligations were clarified via the ETR obligations and the removal of references to MODIS would suffice. They also felt that there was no need to remove the other sections under Schedule 6 of the Data Registration Code and questioned where these were listed within the REMIT obligations as this could leave a gap which could make parties non-compliant. They suggested that GC0174 should follow the Standard Governance route and go to a Workgroup and then to the Authority for decision. This would allow alternatives to be raised and allow the Authority to make the final decision, as they would be the ones issuing the fines and enforcing REMIT requirements.
10526. The Panel agreed by majority that GC0174 should follow the Self Governance route and proceed to a Workgroup, but questioned whether a Workgroup Consultation would still be needed (Action 462).
10527. The Panel agreed Terms of reference for the Workgroup but did not approve a timeline for the modification.

7. In flight modification update

GC0159: Introducing Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners

10528. LT provided a verbal update that the ESO have received guidance from the Authority regarding GC0159, and that a formal update will be provided to the Panel in August 2024.

GC0166: Introducing new Balancing Programme Parameters for Limited Duration Assets

10529. LT presented the updated timeline and title change request for GC0166, noting that there has been a delay to the Workgroup Consultation due to the proposer acting on feedback from the Workgroup.
10530. RL noted this modification is also more complex than originally expected.
10531. The Panel approved the new timeline as submitted within the Panel papers and agreed to amend the title to 'Introducing new Balancing Mechanism Parameters for Limited Duration Assets'.

8. Workgroup Reports

10532. There were no updates for the panel.

9. Draft Final Modification Reports

GC0171: Improving the clarity and transparency of the Compliance Process for Small Generators with a Bilateral Embedded Generator Agreement (BEGA)

10533. LT presented the Draft Final Modification Report to the Panel, noting that one response was received as part of the Code Administrator Consultation.
10534. LT noted that no legal text concerns were raised as part of the Code Administrator Consultation, however several typographical amends were highlighted following submission of the Draft Final Modification Report to the Panel.
10535. The Panel reviewed the proposed legal text amendments and agreed that they were typographical and directed the Code Administrator to make the changes under GR.22.4.
10536. The Panel unanimously agreed that the Original Proposal better facilitates the Grid Code objectives than the baseline. The Appeals Window is due to open on 07 August 2024, close on 29 August 2024 and will be implemented on 05 September 2024 subject to no appeals being raised.

GC0172: Replacing References to Electricity Supply Industry Arbitration Association

10537. LT presented the Draft Final Modification Report to the Panel, noting that one response was received as part of the Code Administrator Consultation.
10538. The Panel unanimously agreed that the Original Proposal better facilitates the Grid Code objectives than the baseline. The Final Modification Report will be issued to the Authority on 07 August 2024.

10. Prioritisation Stack

10539. LT presented the prioritisation stack to the Panel. The Panel agreed to add GC0174 at number 5 in the prioritisation stack and agreed that no further changes were required.
10540. The prioritisation stack can be found via the following link: [Grid Code Review Panel Meeting - 25.07.2024 | ESO \(nationalgrideso.com\)](#)

11. Governance

10541. **Digital Code update:** CW demonstrated features of the latest enhancements made to the Grid Code digital version, as a result from user feedback. Further suggestions for improvements were given by Panel members.
10542. **Process Flow Diagram - Panel recommendation/determination vote:** LT noted that the two flowcharts, which were shared prior to the Panel meeting, satisfied Action 458.
10543. AF requested that the Code Administrator:
- Add further clarity to the flow diagram to explain what Vote 1 and vote 2 means.
 - Review the Governance Rules and ensure that there is consistency between the Governance Rules, voting form and the DFMR.
 - Confirm which is the deciding vote.
- LT agreed to take these away as an action - **Action 463**.
10544. **Grid Code Review Panel Elections Update:** LT provided a breakdown of the election process and the key milestones that will be coming up in 2025.
10545. GV queried how panel members would know if they had Materially Affected Party status; SA confirmed that a list of Materially Affected Parties would be published as part of the Schedule 1 list during the elections process.

10546. **Potential Grid Code Panel Dates 2025:** LT presented the provisional dates for the 2025 Grid Code Review Panels, Panel Papers and Modification submission dates.

12. Grid Code Development Forum (GCDF)

10547. AJ advised that the meeting on 03 July 2024 was cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.

10548. AJ advised that the next meeting is planned for 07 August 2024, with the following agenda items:

- Overview of RfG2.0, DCC2.0 and HVDC2.0.
- GB Grid Forming – Further Code Change Proposals; and
- Development of a portal for submitting DRC (Data Registration Code) Grid Code data.

15. Standing Groups

Distribution Code Review Panel Update

10549. AC advised there were no updates as there have not been any meetings since the last Grid Code Review Panel meeting.

Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

10550. There were no updates for the Panel.

16. Updates on other Industry Codes

10551. LT advised that the Workgroup consultations for implementing connection reforms [CMP435](#) and [CM095](#) were published earlier today and that [CMP434](#) and [CM096](#) will also be published tomorrow, and they will all close on 06 August 2024.

10552. LT also highlighted that the last Panel Papers and Headline Reports for STC, SQSS and CUSC can be found below:

[29 May 2024 STC Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

[03 June 2024 SQSS Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

[28 June 2024 CUSC Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

17. Challenges to Modification Progress

10553. There were no updates for the Panel.

18. Horizon Scan

10554. There were no updates for the Panel.

19. Electrical Standards

10555. There were no updates for the Panel.

20. Code Administrator Update

10556. There were no updates for the Panel.

21. Any Other Business (AOB)

10557. CS and DD delivered a presentation on Physical Notification (PN) Accuracy. Further details can be found within the [Panel papers](#).

22. Close

10558. The Chair thanked the Panel for their time and contribution and brought the meeting to a close.

The next Grid Code Review Panel meeting will be held on 22 August 2024 over Teams.

New Modification Proposals are to be submitted by 07 August 2024.

Grid Code Review Panel Papers Day is 14 August 2024.