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### PC.1 INTRODUCTION

PC.1.1 The **Planning Code** ("**PC**") specifies the technical and design criteria and procedures to be applied by **The Company** in the planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System** and to be taken into account by **Users** in the planning and development of their own **Systems**. In the case of **OTSUA**, the **PC** also specifies the technical and design criteria and procedures to be applied by the **User** in the planning and development of the **OTSUA**. It details information to be supplied by **Users** to **The Company**, and certain information to be supplied by **The Company** to **Users**. **The Company** has obligations under the **STC** to inform **Relevant Transmission Licensees** of data required for the planning of the **National Electricity Transmission System**. In respect of **PC** data, **The Company** may pass on **User** data to a **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, as detailed in PC.3.4 and PC.3.5.

PC.1.1A Provisions of the **PC** which apply in relation to **OTSDUW** and **OTSUA** shall apply up to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, whereupon such provisions shall (without prejudice to any prior non- compliance) cease to apply, without prejudice to the continuing application of provisions of the **PC** applying in relation to the relevant **Offshore Transmission System** and/or **Connection Site**.

PC.1.1B As used in the **PC**:

## National Electricity Transmission System excludes OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus

(prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**) unless the context otherwise requires;

1. and User Development includes **OTSDUW** unless the context otherwise requires. PC.1.2 The **Users** referred to above are defined, for the purpose of the **PC**, in PC.3.1.

PC.1.3 Development of the **National Electricity Transmission System**, involving its reinforcement or extension, will arise for a number of reasons including, but not limited to:

1. a development on a **User System** already connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System**;
2. the introduction of a new **Connection Site** or the **Modification** of an existing **Connection Site** between a **User System** and the **National Electricity Transmission System**;
3. the cumulative effect of a number of such developments referred to in (a) and (b) by one or more **Users**.

PC.1.4 Accordingly, the reinforcement or extension of the **National Electricity Transmission System** may involve work:

1. at a substation at a **Connection Site** where **User's Plant** and/or **Apparatus** is connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** (or in the case of **OTSDUW**, at a substation at an **Interface Point**);
2. on transmission lines or other facilities which join that **Connection Site** (or in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Interface Point**) to the remainder of the **National Electricity Transmission System**;
3. on transmission lines or other facilities at or between points remote from that **Connection Site** (or in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Interface Point**).

PC.1.5 The time required for the planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System** will depend on the type and extent of the necessary reinforcement and/or extension work, the need or otherwise for statutory planning consent, the associated possibility of the need for a public inquiry and the degree of complexity in undertaking the new work while maintaining satisfactory security and quality of supply on the existing **National Electricity Transmission System**.

PC1.6 For the avoidance of doubt and the purposes of the Grid Code, **DC Connected Power Park Modules** are treated as belonging to **Generators**. **Generators** who own **DC Connected Power Park Modules** would therefore be expected to supply the same data as required under this **PC** in respect of **Power Stations** comprising **Power Park Modules** other than where specific references to **DC Connected Power Park Modules** are made.

PC1.7 As defined in the Glossary and Definitions, **Electricity Storage Modules** are treated as

belonging to **Storage User’s** who are a subset of **Generator’s. Generators** who own or

operate **Electricity Storage Modules** would therefore be expected to supply the same data as required under this PC in respect of **Power Stations**. In general, and not withstanding the requirements of the Glossary and Definitions and the wider requirements specified in the **Planning Code, Generators** in respect of **Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules** would be expected to supply the same data as required from **Generators** in respect of **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** and **Generators** in respect of **Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules** would be expected to supply the same data as required from **Generators** in respect of **Power Park Modules**.

### PC.2 OBJECTIVE

PC.2.1 The objectives of the **PC** are:

* 1. to promote **The Company/User** interaction in respect of any proposed development on the **User System** which may impact on the performance of the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the direct connection with the **National Electricity Transmission System**;
  2. to provide for the supply of information to **The Company** from **Users** in order that planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System** can be undertaken in accordance with the relevant **Licence Standards**, to facilitate existing and proposed connections, and also to provide for the supply of certain information from **The Company** to **Users** in relation to short circuit current contributions and **OTSUA**; and
  3. to specify the **Licence Standards** which will be used in the planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System**; and
  4. to provide for the supply of information required by **The Company** from **Users** in respect of the following to enable **The Company** to carry out its duties under the **Act** and the **Transmission Licence**:

## Mothballed Generating Units, Mothballed Power Generating Modules; and

* + 1. capability of gas-fired **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** or **Generating Units** to run using alternative fuels.

**The Company** will use the information provided under PC.2.1(d) in providing reports to the **Authority** and the **Secretary of State** and, where directed by the **Authority** or the **Secretary of State** to do so, **The Company** may publish the information. Where it is known by **The Company** that such information is intended for wider publication the information provided under PC.2.1(d) shall be aggregated such that individual data items should not be identifiable.

* 1. in the case of **OTSUA**:
     1. to specify the minimum technical and design criteria and procedures to be applied by **Users** in the planning and development of **OTSUA**; and thereby
     2. to ensure that the **OTSUA** can from the **OTSUA Transfer Time** be operated as part of the **National Electricity Transmission System**; and
     3. to provide for the arrangements and supply of information and data between **The Company** and a **User** to ensure that the **User** is able to undertake **OTSDUW**; and
     4. to promote **The Company/User** interaction and co-ordination in respect of any proposed development on the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the **OTSUA**, which may impact on the **OTSUA** or (as the case may be) the **National Electricity Transmission System**.

### PC.3 SCOPE

PC.3.1 The **PC** applies to **The Company** and to **Users**, which in the **PC** means:

## Generators;

1. **Generators** undertaking **OTSDUW**;

## Network Operators;

1. **Non-Embedded Customers**;
2. **DC Converter Station** owners; and

## HVDC System Owners.

The above categories of **User** will become bound by the **PC** prior to them generating, operating, or consuming or importing/exporting, as the case may be, and references to the various categories (or to the general category) of **User** should, therefore, be taken as referring to them in that prospective role as well as to **Users** actually connected.

PC.3.2 In the case of **Embedded Power Station**s, **Embedded DC Converter Stations** and **Embedded HVDC Systems**, unless provided otherwise, the following provisions apply with regard to the provision of data under this **PC**:

1. each **Generator** shall provide the data direct to **The Company** in respect of (i) **Embedded Large Power Stations**, (ii) **Embedded Medium Power Stations** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and (iii) **Embedded Small Power Stations** which form part of a **Cascade Hydro Scheme**;
2. each **DC Converter** owner or **HVDC System Owner** shall provide the data direct to **The Company** in respect of **Embedded DC Converter Stations** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**;
3. each **Network Operator** shall provide the data to **The Company** in respect of each **Embedded Medium Power Station** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** or **Embedded DC Converter Station** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** or **Embedded HVDC System** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** connected, or proposed to be connected within such **Network Operator’s System**;
4. although data is not normally required specifically on **Embedded Small Power Stations** or on **Embedded** installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** under this **PC**, each **Network Operator** in whose **System** they are **Embedded** should provide the data (contained in the Appendix) to **The Company** in respect of **Embedded Small Power Stations** or **Embedded** installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station** or **Embedded** installations of **HVDC Systems** if:
   1. it falls to be supplied pursuant to the application for a **CUSC Contract** or in the **Statement of Readiness** to be supplied in connection with a **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**, by the **Network Operator**; or
   2. it is specifically requested by **The Company** in the circumstances provided for under this **PC**.

PC.3.3 Certain data does not normally need to be provided in respect of certain **Embedded Power Stations**, **Embedded DC Converter Stations** or **Embedded HVDC Systems**, as provided in PC.A.1.12.

In summary, **Network Operators** are required to supply the following data in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** or **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** or **Embedded HVDC Systems** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** connected, or is proposed to be connected, within such **Network Operator’s System**:

PC.A.2.1.1

PC.A.2.2.2

PC.A.2.5.5.2

PC.A.2.5.5.7

PC.A.2.5.6

PC.A.3.1.5

PC.A.3.2.2

PC.A.3.3.1

PC.A.3.4.1

PC.A.3.4.2

PC.A.5.2.2

PC.A.5.3.2

PC.A.5.4

PC.A.5.5.1

PC.A.5.6

For the avoidance of doubt **Network Operators** are required to supply the above data in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** which are located **Offshore** and which are connected or proposed to be connected within such **Network Operator’s System**. This is because **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** are treated as **Onshore Generators** or **Onshore DC Converter Station** owners or **HVDC System Owners** connected to an **Onshore User System Entry Point**.

PC.3.4 **The Company** may provide to the **Relevant Transmission Licensees** any data which has been submitted to **The Company** by any **Users** pursuant to the following paragraphs of the **PC**. For the avoidance of doubt, **The Company** will not provide to the **Relevant Transmission Licensees**, the types of data specified in Appendix D. The **Relevant Transmission Licensees’** use of such data is detailed in the **STC**.

PC.A.2.2

PC.A.2.5

PC.A.3.1

PC.A.3.2.1

PC.A.3.2.2

PC.A.3.3

PC.A.3.4 PC.A.4 PC.A.5.1

PC.A.5.2

PC.A.5.3.1

PC.A.5.3.2

PC.A.5.4.1

PC.A.5.4.2

PC.A.5.4.3.1

PC.A.5.4.3.2

PC.A.5.4.3.3

PC.A.5.4.3.4 PC.A.7

(and in addition in respect of the data submitted in respect of the **OTSUA**) PC.A.2.2

PC.A.2.3

PC.A.2.4

PC.A.2.5

PC.A.3.2.2 PC.A.3.3.1(d) PC.A.4 PC.A.5.4.3.1

PC.A.5.4.3.2 PC.A.6.2

PC.A.6.3

PC.A.6.4

PC.A.6.5

PC.A.6.6 PC.A.7

PC.3.5 In addition to the provisions of PC.3.4, **The Company** may provide to the **Relevant Transmission Licensees** any data which has been submitted to **The Company** by any **Users** in respect of **Relevant Units** pursuant to the following paragraphs of the **PC**.

PC.A.2.3

PC.A.2.4

PC.A.5.5

PC.A.5.7

PC.A.6.2

PC.A.6.3

PC.A.6.4

PC.A.6.5

PC.A.6.6

PC.3.6 In the case of **Offshore Embedded Power Stations** connected to an **Offshore User System** which directly connects to an **Offshore Transmission System**, any additional data requirements in respect of such **Offshore Embedded Power Stations** may be specified in the relevant **Bilateral Agreement** with the **Network Operator** or in any **Bilateral Agreement** between **The Company** and such **Offshore Embedded Power Station**.

PC.3.7 In the case of a **Generator** undertaking **OTSDUW** connecting to an **Onshore Network Operator’s System**, any additional requirements in respect of such **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** will be specified in the relevant **Bilateral Agreement** with the **Generator**. For the avoidance of doubt, requirements applicable to **Generators** undertaking **OTSDUW** and connecting to a **Network Operator’s User System**, shall be consistent with those applicable requirements of **Generators** undertaking **OTSDUW** and connecting to a **Transmission Interface Point**.

PC.3.8 For the purpose of complying with the requirements of ECC.6.3.17.1.5 and ECC.6.3.17.2.3 **The Company** may share relevant modelling information to a **User** based on the following information submitted by a **User** to **The Company**:

PC.A.5.3.2(a), (b), (c), (d) and (g) PC.A.5.4.2

### PC.A.5.4.3 PC.A.9

PC.3.9 A **User** who recieves information from **The Company** under PC.3.8 may only use the information to complete the analysis required by ECC.6.3.17.1 and EEC.6.3.17.2 as applicable and the **Bilateral Agreement.** Further conditions on the sharing of models are detailed in PC.A.9

### PC.4 PLANNING PROCEDURES

PC.4.1 Pursuant to Condition C11 of **The Company’s Transmission Licence**, the means by which **Users** and proposed **Users** of the **National Electricity Transmission System** are able to assess opportunities for connecting to, and using, the **National Electricity Transmission System** comprise two distinct parts, namely:

* + 1. a statement, prepared by **The Company** under its **Transmission Licence**, showing for each of the seven succeeding **Financial Years**, the opportunities available for connecting to and using the **National Electricity Transmission System** and indicating those parts of the **National Electricity Transmission System** most suited to new connections and transport of further quantities of electricity (the "**Seven Year Statement**"); and
    2. an offer, in accordance with its **Transmission Licence**, by **The Company** to enter into a **CUSC Contract**. A **Bilateral Agreement** is to be entered into for every **Connection Site** (and for certain **Embedded Power Stations** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** and **Embedded HVDC Systems**) within the first two of the following categories and the existing **Bilateral Agreement** may be required to be varied in the case of the third category:
       1. existing **Connection Sites** (and for certain **Embedded Power Stations**) as at the

## Transfer Date;

* + - 1. new Connection **Sites** (and for certain **Embedded Power Stations**, **Embedded DC Converter Stations** and **Embedded HVDC Systems**) with effect from the **Transfer Date**;
      2. a **Modification** at a **Connection Site** (or in relation to the connection of certain **Embedded Power Stations**, **Embedded DC Converter Stations** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** whether or not the subject of a **Bilateral Agreement**) (whether such **Connection Site** or connection exists on the **Transfer Date** or is new thereafter) with effect from the **Transfer Date**.

In this **PC**, unless the context otherwise requires, "connection" means any of these 3 categories.

PC.4.2 Introduction to Data User Data

PC.4.2.1 Under the **PC**, two types of data to be supplied by **Users** are called for:

## Standard Planning Data; and

1. **Detailed Planning Data**,

as more particularly provided in PC.A.1.4.

PC.4.2.2 The **PC** recognises that these two types of data, namely **Standard Planning Data** and

**Detailed Planning Data**, are considered at three different levels:

## Preliminary Project Planning Data;

1. **Committed Project Planning Data**; and

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## Connected Planning Data,

as more particularly provided in PC.5

PC.4.2.3 **Connected Planning Data** is itself divided into:

## Forecast Data;

1. **Registered Data**; and

## Estimated Registered Data,

as more particularly provided in PC.5.5

PC.4.2.4 Clearly, an existing **User** proposing a new **Connection Site** (or **Embedded Power Station** or **Embedded DC Converter Station** or **Embedded HVDC System**) in the circumstances outlined in PC.4.1) will need to supply data both in an application for a **Bilateral Agreement** and under the **PC** in relation to that proposed new **Connection Site** (or **Embedded Power Station** or **Embedded DC Converter Station** or **Embedded HVDC System** in the circumstances outlined in PC.4.1) and that will be treated as **Preliminary Project Planning Data** or **Committed Project Planning Data** (as the case may be), but the data it supplies under the **PC** relating to its existing **Connection Sites** will be treated as **Connected Planning Data**.

Network Data

PC.4.2.5 In addition, there is **Network Data** supplied by **The Company** in relation to short circuit current contributions and in relation to **OTSUA**.

PC.4.3 Data Provision PC.4.3.1 Seven Year Statement

To enable the **Seven Year Statement** to be prepared, each **User** is required to submit to **The Company** (subject to the provisions relating to **Embedded Power Stations** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** in PC.3.2) both the **Standard Planning Data** and the **Detailed Planning Data** as listed in parts l and 2 of the Appendix. This data should be submitted in calendar week 24 of each year (although **Network Operators** may delay the submission of data (other than that to be submitted pursuant to PC.3.2(c) and PC.3.2(d)) until calendar week 28) and should cover each of the seven succeeding **Financial Years** (and in certain instances, the current year). Where, from the date of one submission to another, there is no change in the data (or in some of the data) to be submitted, instead of re- submitting the data, a **User** may submit a written statement that there has been no change from the data (or in some of the data) submitted the previous time. In addition, **The Company** will also use the **Transmission Entry Capacity** and **Connection Entry Capacity** data from the **CUSC Contract**, and any data submitted by **Network Operators** in relation to an **Embedded Medium Power Station** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** or **Embedded DC Converter Station** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**, or **Embedded HVDC System** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** in the preparation of the **Seven Year Statement** and to that extent the data will not be treated as confidential.

PC.4.3.2 Network Data

To enable **Users** to model the **National Electricity Transmission System** in relation to short circuit current contributions, **The Company** is required to submit to **Users**, the **Network Data** as listed in Part 3 of the Appendix. The data will be submitted in week 42 of each year and will cover that **Financial Year**.

PC.4.3.3 To enable **Users** to model the **National Electricity Transmission System** in relation to **OTSUA**, **The Company** is required to submit to **Users** the **Network Data**, as listed in Part 3 of Appendix A and Appendix F. **The Company** shall provide the **Network Data** with the offer of a **CUSC Contract** in the case of the data in PC F2.1 and otherwise in accordance with the **OTSDUW Development and Data Timetable**.

PC.4.4 Offer of Terms for Connection

PC.4.4.1 CUSC Contract – Data Requirements/Offer Timing

The completed application form for a **CUSC Contract** to be submitted by a **User** when making an application for a **CUSC Contract** will include:

* 1. a description of the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** (excluding **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**) to be connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or of the **Modification** relating to the **User's Plant** and/or **Apparatus** (and prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, any **OTSUA**) already connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or, as the case may be, of the proposed new connection or **Modification** to the connection within the **User System** of the **User**, each of which shall be termed a "**User Development**" in the **PC**;
  2. the relevant **Standard Planning Data** as listed in Part 1 of the Appendix (except in respect of any **OTSUA**); and
  3. the desired **Completion Date** of the proposed **User Development**.
  4. the desired **Connection Entry Capacity** and **Transmission Entry Capacity**.

The completed application form for a **CUSC Contract** will be sent to **The Company** as more particularly provided in the application form.

PC.4.4.2 Any offer of a **CUSC Contract** will provide that it must be accepted by the applicant **User** within the period stated in the offer, after which the offer automatically lapses. Except as provided in the **CUSC Contract**, acceptance of the offer renders the **National Electricity Transmission System** works relating to that **User Development**, reflected in the offer, committed and binds both parties to the terms of the offer. The User shall then provide the **Detailed Planning Data** as listed in Part 2 of the Appendix (and in the case of **OTSUA** the **Standard Planning Data** as listed in Part 1 of Appendix A within the timeline provided in PC.A.1.4). In respect of **DPD I** this shall generally be provided within 28 days (or such shorter period as **The Company** may determine, or such longer period as **The Company** may agree, in any particular case) of acceptance of the offer and in respect of **DPD II** this shall generally be provided at least two years (or such longer period as **The Company** may determine, or such shorter period as **The Company** may agree, in any particular case or in the case of **OTSUA** such shorter period as **The Company** shall require) prior to the **Completion Date** of the **User Development**.

PC.4.4.3 Embedded Development Agreement - Data Requirements

The **Network Operator** shall submit the following data in relation to an **Embedded Medium Power Station** not subject to, or proposed to be subject to, a **Bilateral Agreement** or **Embedded DC Converter Station** not subject to, or proposed to be subject to, a **Bilateral Agreement** as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt of an application from an **Embedded Person** to connect to its **System**:

1. details of the proposed new connection or variation (having a similar effect on the **Network Operator’s System** as a **Modification** would have on the **National Electricity Transmission System**) to the connection within the **Network Operator’s System**, each of which shall be termed an “**Embedded Development**” in the **PC** (where a **User Development** has an impact on the **Network Operator’s System** details shall be supplied in accordance with PC.4.4 and PC.4.5);
2. the relevant **Standard Planning Data** as listed in Part 1 of the Appendix;
3. the proposed completion date (having a similar meaning in relation to the **Network Operator’s System** as **Completion Date** would have in relation to the **National Electricity Transmission System**) of the **Embedded Development**; and
4. upon the request of **The Company**, the relevant **Detailed Planning Data** as listed in Part 2 of the Appendix.

PC.4.4.4 The **Network Operator** shall provide the **Detailed Planning Data** as listed in Part 2 of the Appendix. In respect of **DPD I**, this shall generally be provided within 28 days (or such shorter period as **The Company** may determine, or such longer period as **The Company** may agree, in any particular case) of entry into the **Embedded Development Agreement** and in respect to **DPD II** this shall generally be provided at least two years (or such longer period as **The Company** may determine, or such shorter period as **The Company** may agree, in any particular case) prior to the **Completion Date** of the **Embedded Development**.

PC.4.5 Complex Connections

PC.4.5.1 The magnitude and complexity of any **National Electricity Transmission System** extension or reinforcement will vary according to the nature, location and timing of the proposed **User Development** which is the subject of the application and it may, in the event, be necessary for **The Company** to carry out additional more extensive system studies to evaluate more fully the impact of the proposed **User Development** on the **National Electricity Transmission System**. Where **The Company** judges that such additional more detailed studies are necessary the offer may indicate the areas that require more detailed analysis and before such additional studies are required, the **User** shall indicate whether it wishes **The Company** to undertake the work necessary to proceed to make a revised offer within the 3 month period normally allowed or, where relevant, the timescale consented to by the **Authority**.

PC.4.5.2 To enable **The Company** to carry out any of the above mentioned necessary detailed system studies, the **User** may, at the request of **The Company**, be required to provide some or all of the **Detailed Planning Data** listed in part 2 of the Appendix in advance of the normal timescale referred in PC.4.4.2 provided that **The Company** can reasonably demonstrate that it is relevant and necessary.

PC.4.5.3 To enable **The Company** to carry out any necessary detailed system studies, the relevant **Network Operator** may, at the request of **The Company**, be required to provide some or all of the **Detailed Planning Data** listed in Part 2 of the Appendix in advance of the normal timescale referred in PC.4.4.4 provided that **The Company** can reasonably demonstrate that it is relevant and necessary.

### PC.5 PLANNING DATA

PC.5.1 As far as the **PC** is concerned, there are three relevant levels of data in relation to **Users**. These levels, which relate to levels of confidentiality, commitment and validation, are described in the following paragraphs.

Preliminary Project Planning Data

PC.5.2 At the time the **User** applies for a **CUSC Contract** but before an offer is made and accepted by the applicant **User**, the data relating to the proposed **User Development** will be considered as **Preliminary Project Planning Data**. Data relating to an **Embedded Development** provided by a **Network Operator** in accordance with PC.4.4.3, and PC.4.4.4 if requested, will be considered as **Preliminary Project Planning Data**. All such data will be treated as confidential within the scope of the provisions relating to confidentiality in the **CUSC**.

PC.5.3 **Preliminary Project Planning Data** will normally only contain the **Standard Planning Data** unless the **Detailed Planning Data** is required in advance of the normal timescale to enable **The Company** to carry out additional detailed system studies as described in PC.4.5.

Committed Project Planning Data

PC.5.4 Once the offer for a **CUSC Contract** is accepted, the data relating to the **User Development** already submitted as **Preliminary Project Planning Data**, and subsequent data required by **The Company** under this **PC**, will become **Committed Project Planning Data**. Once an **Embedded Person** has entered into an **Embedded Development Agreement**, as notified to **The Company** by the **Network Operator**, the data relating to the **Embedded Development** already submitted as **Preliminary Project Planning Data**, and subsequent data required by **The Company** under the **PC**, will become **Committed Project Planning Data**. Such data, together with **Connection Entry Capacity** and **Transmission Entry Capacity** data from the **CUSC Contract** and other data held by **The Company** relating to the **National Electricity Transmission System** will form the background against which new applications by any **User** will be considered and against which planning of the **National Electricity Transmission System** will be undertaken. Accordingly, **Committed Project Planning Data**, **Connection Entry Capacity** and **Transmission Entry Capacity** data will not be treated as confidential to the extent that **The Company**:

1. is obliged to use it in the preparation of the **Seven Year Statement** and in any further information given pursuant to the **Seven Year Statement**;
2. is obliged to use it when considering and/or advising on applications (or possible applications) of other **Users** (including making use of it by giving data from it, both orally and in writing, to other **Users** making an application (or considering or discussing a possible application) which is, in **The Company's** view, relevant to that other application or possible application);
3. is obliged to use it for operational planning purposes;
4. is obliged under the terms of an **Interconnection Agreement** to pass it on as part of system information on the **Total System**;
5. is obliged to disclose it under the **STC**;
6. is obliged to use and disclose it in the preparation of the **Offshore Development Information Statement**;
7. is obliged to use it in order to carry out its **EMR Functions** or is obliged to disclose it under an **EMR Document**.

To reflect different types of data, **Preliminary Project Planning Data** and **Committed Project Planning Data** are themselves divided into:

1. those items of **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** which will always be forecast, known as **Forecast Data**; and
2. those items of **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** which relate to **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** which upon connection will become **Registered Data**, but which prior to connection, for the seven succeeding **Financial Years**, will be an estimate of what is expected, known as **Estimated Registered Data**.

Connected Planning Data

PC.5.5 The **PC** requires that, at the time that a **Statement of Readiness** is submitted under the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**, any estimated values assumed for planning purposes are confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for forecast data items such as **Demand**. In the case of an **Embedded Development** the relevant **Network Operator** will update any estimated values assumed for planning purposes with validated actual values as soon as reasonably practicable after energisation. This data is then termed **Connected Planning Data**.

To reflect the three types of data referred to above, **Connected Planning Data** is itself divided into:

1. those items of **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** which will always be forecast data, known as **Forecast Data**; and
2. those items of **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** which upon connection become fixed (subject to any subsequent changes), known as **Registered Data**; and
3. those items of **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** which for the purposes of the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** concerned as at the date of submission are **Registered Data** but which for the seven succeeding **Financial Years** will be an estimate of what is expected, known as **Estimated Registered Data**,

as more particularly provided in the Appendix.

PC.5.6 **Connected Planning Data**, together with **Connection Entry Capacity** and **Transmission Entry Capacity** data from the **CUSC Contract**, and other data held by **The Company** relating to the **National Electricity Transmission System**, will form the background against which new applications by any **User** will be considered and against which planning of the **National Electricity Transmission System** will be undertaken. Accordingly, **Connected Planning Data**, **Connection Entry Capacity** and **Transmission Entry Capacity** data will not be treated as confidential to the extent that **The Company**:

1. is obliged to use it in the preparation of the **Seven Year Statement** and in any further information given pursuant to the **Seven Year Statement**;
2. is obliged to use it when considering and/or advising on applications (or possible applications) of other **Users** (including making use of it by giving data from it, both orally and in writing, to other **Users** making an application (or considering or discussing a possible application) which is, in **The Company's** view, relevant to that other application or possible application);
3. is obliged to use it for operational planning purposes;
4. is obliged under the terms of an **Interconnection Agreement** to pass it on as part of system information on the **Total System**.
5. is obliged to disclose it under the **STC**;
6. is obliged to use it in order to carry out its **EMR Functions** or is obliged to disclose it under an **EMR Document**.

PC.5.7 **Committed Project Planning Data** and **Connected Planning Data** will each contain both

## Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data.

### PC.6 PLANNING STANDARDS

PC.6.1 **The Company** shall apply the **Licence Standards** relevant to it in the planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System**. **The Company** shall procure that each **Relevant Transmission Licensee** shall apply the **Licence Standards** relevant to planning and development, in the planning and development of the **Transmission System** of each **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and that a **User** shall apply the **Licence Standards** relevant to planning and development, in the planning and development of the **OTSUA**.

PC.6.2 In relation to Scotland, Appendix C lists the technical and design criteria applied in the planning and development of each **Relevant Transmission Licensee's Transmission System**. The criteria are subject to review in accordance with each **Relevant Transmission Licensee’s Transmission Licence** conditions. Copies of these documents are available from **The Company** on request. **The Company** will charge an amount sufficient to recover its reasonable costs incurred in providing this service.

PC.6.3 In relation to **Offshore**, Appendix E lists the technical and design criteria applied in the planning and development of each **Offshore Transmission System**. The criteria are subject to review in accordance with each **Offshore Transmission Licensee’s Transmission Licence** conditions. Copies of these documents are available from **The Company** on request. **The Company** will charge an amount sufficient to recover its reasonable costs incurred in providing this service.

PC.6.4 In planning and developing the **OTSUA**, the **User** shall comply with (and shall ensure that (as at the **OTSUA Transfer Time**) the **OTSUA** comply with):

* 1. the **Licence Standards**; and
  2. the technical and design criteria in Appendix E.

PC.6.5 In addition the **User** shall, in the planning and development of the **OTSUA**, to the extent it is reasonable and practicable to do so, take into account the reasonable requests of **The Company** (in the context of its obligation to develop an efficient, co-ordinated and economical system) relating to the planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System**.

PC.6.6 In planning and developing the **OTSUA** the **User** shall take into account the **Network Data** provided to it by **The Company** under Part 3 of Appendix A and Appendix F, and act on the basis that the **Plant** and **Apparatus** of other **Users** complies with:

1. the minimum technical design and operational criteria and performance requirements set out in either CC.6.1, CC.6.2, CC.6.3 and CC.6.4 or ECC.6.1, ECC.6.2, ECC.6.3 and ECC.6.4 ; or
2. such other criteria or requirements as **The Company** may from time to time notify the

**User** are applicable to specified **Plant** and **Apparatus** pursuant to PC.6.7.

PC.6.7 Where the **OTSUA** are likely to be materially affected by the design or operation of another

**User's Plant** and **Apparatus** and **The Company**:

1. becomes aware that such other **User** has or is likely to apply for a derogation under the Grid Code;
2. is itself applying for a derogation under the Grid Code in relation to the **Connection Site** on which such other **User's Plant** and **Apparatus** is located or to which it otherwise relates; or
3. is otherwise notified by such other **User** that specified **Plant** or **Apparatus** is normally capable of operating at levels better than those set out in CC.6.1, CC.6.2, CC.6.3 and CC.6.4 or ECC.6.1, ECC.6.2, ECC.6.3 and ECC.6.4,

**The Company** shall notify the **User**.

### PC.7 PLANNING LIAISON

PC.7.1 This PC.7 applies to **The Company** and **Users**, which in PC.7 means

## Network Operators

1. **Non-Embedded Customers**

PC.7.2 As described in PC.2.1 (b) an objective of the **PC** is to provide for the supply of information to **The Company** by **Users** in order that planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System** can be undertaken in accordance with the relevant **Licence Standards**.

PC.7.3 **Grid Code** amendment B/07 (“Amendment B/07”) implemented changes to the **Grid Code** which included amendments to the datasets provided by both **The Company** and **Users** to inform the planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System**. The **Authority** has determined that these changes are to have a phased implementation. Consequently the provisions of Appendix A to the **PC** include specific years (ranging from 2009 to 2011) with effect from which certain of the specific additional obligations brought about by Amendment B/07 on **The Company** and **Users** are to take effect. Where specific provisions of paragraphs PC.A.4.1.4, PC.A.4.2.2 and PC.A.4.3.1 make reference to a year, then the obligation on **The Company** and the **Users** shall be required to be met by the relevant calendar week (as specified within such provision) in such year.

In addition to the phased implementation of aspects of Amendment B/07, **Users** must discuss and agree with **The Company** by no later than 31 March 2009 a more detailed implementation programme to facilitate the implementation of **Grid Code** amendment B/07.

It shall also be noted by **The Company** and **Users** that the dates set out in PC.A.4 are intended to be minimum requirements and are not intended to restrict a **User** and **The Company** from the earlier fulfilment of the new requirements prior to the specified years. Where **The Company** and a **User** wish to follow the new requirements from earlier dates than those specified, this will be set out in the more detailed implementation programme agreed between **The Company** and the **User**.

The following provisions of PC.7 shall only apply with effect from 1 January 2011.

PC.7.4 Following the submission of data by a **User** in or after week 24 of each year **The Company** will provide information to **Users** by calendar week 6 of the following year regarding the results of any relevant assessment that has been made by **The Company** based upon such data submissions to verify whether **Connection Points** are compliant with the relevant **Licence Standards**.

PC.7.5 Where the result of any assessment identifies possible future non-compliance with the relevant **Licence Standards**, **The Company** shall notify the relevant **User(s)** of this fact as soon as reasonably practicable and shall agree with **Users** any opportunity to resubmit data to allow for a reassessment in accordance with PC.7.6.

PC.7.6 Following any notification by **The Company** to a **User** pursuant to PC.7.5 and following any further discussions held between the **User** and **The Company**:

* 1. **The Company** and the **User** may agree revisions to the **Access Periods** for relevant **Transmission Interface Circuits**, such revisions shall not however permit an **Access Period** to be less than 4 continuous weeks in duration or to occur other than between calendar weeks 10 and 43 (inclusive); and/or,
  2. The **User** shall as soon as reasonably practicable
     1. submit further relevant data to **The Company** that is to **The Company’s** reasonable satisfaction; and/or,
     2. modify data previously submitted pursuant to this **PC**, such modified data to be to

**The Company’s** reasonable satisfaction; and/or

* + 1. notify **The Company** that it is the intention of the **User** to leave the data as originally submitted to **The Company** to stand as its submission.

PC.7.7 Where an **Access Period** is amended pursuant to PC.7.6 (i) **The Company** shall notify **The Authority** that it has been necessary to do so.

PC.7.8 When it is agreed that any resubmission of data is unlikely to confirm future compliance with the relevant **Licence Standards** the **Modification** process in the **CUSC** may apply.

PC.7.9 A **User** may at any time, in writing, request further specified **National Electricity Transmission System** network data in order to provide **The Company** with viable **User** network data (as required under this **PC**). Upon receipt of such request, **The Company** shall consider, and where appropriate provide such **National Electricity Transmission System** network data to the **User** as soon as reasonably practicable following the request.

### PC.8 OTSDUW PLANNING LIAISON

PC.8.1 This PC.8 applies to **The Company** and **Users**, which in PC.8 means **Users** undertaking

# OTSDUW

PC.8.2 As described in PC.2.1 (e) an objective of the **PC** is to provide for the supply of information between **The Company** and a **User** undertaking **OTSDUW** in order that planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System** can be co-ordinated.

PC.8.3 Where the **OTSUA** also require works to be undertaken by any **Relevant Transmission Licensee** on its **Transmission System The Company** and the **User** shall throughout the construction and commissioning of such works:

* + - 1. co-operate and assist each other in the development of co-ordinated construction programmes or any other planning or, in the case of **The Company**, analysis it undertakes in respect of the works; and
      2. provide to each other all information relating to, in the case of the **User** its own works and, in the case of **The Company,** the works on the **Transmission Systems** reasonably necessary to assist each other in the performance of that other's part of the works, and shall use all reasonable endeavours to co-ordinate and integrate their respective part of the works; and

the **User** shall plan and develop the **OTSUA**, taking into account to the extent that it is reasonable and practicable to do so the reasonable requests of **The Company** relating to the planning and development of the **National Electricity Transmission System**.

PC.8.4 Where **The Company** becomes aware that changes made to the investment plans of any **Relevant Transmission Licensee** may have a material effect on the **OTSUA**, **The Company** shall notify the **User** and provide the **User** with the necessary information about the relevant **Transmission Systems** sufficient for the **User** to assess the impact on the **OTSUA**.

# APPENDIX A - PLANNING DATA REQUIREMENTS

### PC.A.1 INTRODUCTION

PC.A.1.1 The Appendix specifies data requirements to be submitted to **The Company** by **Users**, and in certain circumstances to **Users** by **The Company**.

PC.A.1.2 Submissions by Users

1. Planning data submissions by **Users** shall be:
   1. with respect to each of the seven succeeding **Financial Years** (other than in the case of **Registered Data** which will reflect the current position and data relating to **Demand** forecasts which relates also to the current year);
   2. provided by **Users** in connection with a **CUSC Contract** (PC.4.1, PC.4.4 and PC.4.5 refer);
   3. provided by **Users** on a routine annual basis in calendar week 24 of each year to maintain an up-to-date data bank (although **Network Operators** may delay the submission of data (other than that to be submitted pursuant to PC.3.2(c) and PC.3.2(d)) until calendar week 28). In addition the structural data in DRC Schedule

5 Tables 5(a), 5(b), 5(d), 5(e) , 5(f) and DRC Schedule 13 (Lumped system susceptance (PC.A.2.3) only) provided by **Network Operators** by calendar week 28 shall be updated by calendar week 50 of each year (again which may be delayed as above until week 2 of the following calendar year). Where from the date of one annual (or in the case of Schedule 5 or Schedule 13 the calendar week 50) submission to another there is no change in the data (or in some of the data) to be submitted, instead of re-submitting the data, a **User** may submit a written statement that there has been no change from the data (or some of the data) submitted the previous time; and

* 1. provided by **Network Operators** in connection with **Embedded Development**

(PC.4.4 refers).

1. Where there is any change (or anticipated change) in **Committed Project Planning Data** or a significant change in **Connected Planning Data** in the category of **Forecast Data** or any change (or anticipated change) in **Connected Planning Data** in the categories of **Registered Data** or **Estimated Registered Data** supplied to **The Company** under the **PC**, notwithstanding that the change may subsequently be notified to **The Company** under the **PC** as part of the routine annual update of data (or that the change may be a **Modification** under the **CUSC**), the **User** shall, subject to PC.A.3.2.3 and PC.A.3.2.4, notify **The Company** in writing without delay.
2. The notification of the change will be in the form required under this **PC** in relation to the supply of that data and will also contain the following information:
   1. the time and date at which the change became, or is expected to become, effective;
   2. if the change is only temporary, an estimate of the time and date at which the data will revert to the previous registered form.
3. The routine annual update of data, referred to in (a)(iii) above, need not be submitted in respect of **Small Power Stations** or **Embedded** installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** (except as provided in PC.3.2.(c)), or unless specifically requested by **The Company**, or unless otherwise specifically provided.

PC.A.1.3 Submissions by The Company

**Network Data** release by **The Company** shall be:

1. with respect to the current **Financial Year**;
2. provided by **The Company** on a routine annual basis in calendar week 42 of each year. Where from the date of one annual submission to another there is no change in the data (or in some of the data) to be released, instead of repeating the data, **The Company** may release a written statement that there has been no change from the data (or some of the data) released the previous time.

The three parts of the Appendix

PC.A.1.4 The data requirements listed in this Appendix are subdivided into the following four parts:

1. Standard Planning Data

This data (as listed in Part 1 of the Appendix) is first to be provided by a **User** at the time of an application for a **CUSC Contract** or in accordance with PC.4.4.3. It comprises data which is expected normally to be sufficient for **The Company** to investigate the impact on the **National Electricity Transmission System** of any **User Development** or **Embedded Development** associated with an application by the **User** for a **CUSC Contract**. **Users** should note that the term **Standard Planning Data** also includes the information referred to in PC.4.4.1.(a) and PC.4.4.3.(a). In the case of **OTSUA**, this data is first to be provided by a **User** in accordance with the time line in Appendix F.

1. Detailed Planning Data

This data (as listed in Part 2 of the Appendix) includes both **DPD I** and **DPD II** and is to be provided in accordance with PC.4.4.2 and PC.4.4.4. It comprises additional, more detailed, data not normally expected to be required by **The Company** to investigate the impact on the **National Electricity Transmission System** of any **User Development** associated with an application by the **User** for a **CUSC Contract** or **Embedded Development Agreement**. **Users** and **Network Operators** in respect of **Embedded Developments** should note that the term **Detailed Planning Data** also includes **Operation Diagrams** and **Site Common Drawings** produced in accordance with the **CC** and **ECC**.

The **User** may, however, be required by **The Company** to provide the **Detailed Planning Data** in advance of the normal timescale before **The Company** can make an offer for a **CUSC Contract**, as explained in PC.4.5.

1. Network Data

The data requirements for **The Company** in this Appendix are in Part 3.

1. Offshore Transmission System (OTSDUW) Data

**Generators** who are undertaking **OTSDUW** are required to submit data in accordance with Appendix A as summarised in Schedule 18 of the **Data Registration Code**.

Forecast Data, Registered Data and Estimated Registered Data PC.A.1.5 As explained in PC.5.4 and PC.5.5, **Planning Data** is divided into:

* 1. those items of **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** known as **Forecast Data**; and
  2. those items of **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** known as

**Registered Data**; and

* 1. those items of **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** known as

## Estimated Registered Data.

PC.A.1.6 The following paragraphs in this Appendix relate to **Forecast Data**: 3.2.2(b), (h), (i) and (j)

4.2.1

4.3.1

4.3.2

4.3.3

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4.3.5

4.5

4.7.1

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5.2.2

5.6.1

PC.A.1.7 The following paragraphs in this Appendix relate to **Registered Data** and **Estimated Registered Data**:

2.2.1

2.2.4

2.2.5

2.2.6

2.3.1

2.4.1

2.4.2

3.2.2(a), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (i)(part) and (j) 3.4.1

3.4.2

4.2.3

4.5(a)(i), (a)(iii), (b)(i) and (b)(iii) 4.6

5.3.2

5.4

5.4.2

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PC.A.1.8 The data supplied under PC.A.3.3.1, although in the nature of **Registered Data**, is only supplied either upon application for a **CUSC Contract**, or in accordance with PC.4.4.3, and therefore does not fall to be **Registered Data**, but is **Estimated Registered Data**.

PC.A.1.9 **Forecast Data** must contain the **User's** best forecast of the data being forecast, acting as a reasonable and prudent **User** in all the circumstances.

PC.A.1.10 **Registered Data** must contain validated actual values, parameters or other information (as the case may be) which replace the estimated values, parameters or other information (as the case may be) which were given in relation to those data items when they were **Preliminary Project Planning Data** and **Committed Project Planning Data**, or in the case of changes, which replace earlier actual values, parameters or other information (as the case may be). Until amended pursuant to the Grid Code, these actual values, parameters or other information (as the case may be) will be the basis upon which the **National Electricity Transmission System** is planned, designed, built and operated in accordance with, amongst other things, the **Transmission Licences**, the **STC** and the Grid Code, and on which **The Company** therefore relies. In following the processes set out in the **BC**, **The Company** will use the data which has been supplied to it under the **BC** and the data supplied under **OC2** in relation to **Gensets**, but the provision of such data will not alter the data supplied by **Users** under the **PC**, which may only be amended as provided in the **PC**.

PC.A.1.11 **Estimated Registered Data** must contain the **User's** best estimate of the values, parameters or other information (as the case may be), acting as a reasonable and prudent **User** in all the circumstances.

PC.A.1.12 Certain data does not need to be supplied in relation to **Embedded Power Stations** or **Embedded DC Converter Stations** or **Embedded HVDC Systems** where these are connected at a voltage level below the voltage level directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** except in connection with a **CUSC Contract**, or unless specifically requested by **The Company**.

PC.A.1.13 In the case of **OTSUA**, Schedule 18 of the **Data Registration Code** shall be construed in such a manner as to achieve the intent of such provisions by reference to the **OTSUA** and the **Interface Point** and all **Connection Points**.

# PART 1 - STANDARD PLANNING DATA

### PC.A.2 USER'S SYSTEM (AND OTSUA) DATA

PC.A.2.1 Introduction

PC.A.2.1.1 Each **User**, whether connected directly via an existing **Connection Point** to the **National Electricity Transmission System**, or seeking such a direct connection, or providing terms for connection of an **Offshore Transmission System** to its **User System** to **The Company**, shall provide **The Company** with data on its **User System** (and any **OTSUA**) which relates to the **Connection Site** (and in the case of **OTSUA**, the **Interface Point**) and/or which may have a system effect on the performance of the **National Electricity Transmission System**. Such data, current and forecast, is specified in PC.A.2.2 to PC.A.2.5. In addition each **Generator** in respect of its **Embedded Large Power Stations** and its **Embedded Medium Power Stations** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and each **Network Operator** in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** within its **System** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** connected to the **Subtransmission System**, shall provide **The Company** with fault infeed data as specified in PC.A.2.5.5 and each **DC Converter** owner with **Embedded DC Converter Stations** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC System Owner** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**, or **Network Operator** in the case of **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** or **Embedded HVDC Systems** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**, connected to the **Subtransmission System** shall provide **The Company** with fault infeed data as specified in PC.A.2.5.6.

PC.A.2.1.2 Each **User** must reflect the system effect at the **Connection Site(s)** of any third party

**Embedded** within its **User System** whether existing or proposed.

PC.A.2.1.3 Although not itemised here, each **User** with an existing or proposed **Embedded Small Power Station**, **Embedded Medium Power Station**, **Embedded DC Converter Station or HVDC System** with a **Registered Capacity** of less than 100MW or an **Embedded** installation of direct current converters which does not form a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** in its **User System** may, at **The Company's** reasonable discretion, be required to provide additional details relating to the **User's System** between the **Connection Site** and the existing or proposed **Embedded Small Power Station**, **Embedded Medium Power Station, Embedded DC Converter Station**, **Embedded HVDC System** or **Embedded** installation of direct current converters which does not form a **DC Converter Station** or **Embedded** installation which does not form an **HVDC System**.

PC.A.2.1.4 At **The Company’s** reasonable request, additional data on the **User’s System** (or **OTSUA**) will need to be supplied. Some of the possible reasons for such a request, and the data required, are given in PC.A.6.2, PC.A.6.4, PC.A.6.5 and PC.A.6.6.

PC.A.2.2 User's System (and OTSUA) Layout

PC.A.2.2.1 Each **User** shall provide a **Single Line Diagram**, depicting both its existing and proposed arrangement(s) of load current carrying **Apparatus** relating to both existing and proposed **Connection Points** (including in the case of **OTSUA**, **Interface Points**).

PC.A.2.2.2 The **Single Line Diagram** (three examples are shown in Appendix B) must include all parts of the **User System** operating at **Supergrid Voltage** throughout **Great Britain** and, in Scotland and **Offshore**, also all parts of the **User System** operating at 132kV or greater, and those parts of its **Subtransmission System** at any **Transmission Site**. In the case of **OTSDUW**, the **Single Line Diagram** must also include the **OTSUA**. In addition, the **Single Line Diagram** must include all parts of the **User’s Subtransmission System** (and any **OTSUA**) throughout **Great Britain** operating at a voltage greater than 50kV, and, in Scotland and **Offshore**, also all parts of the **User’s Subtransmission System** (and any **OTSUA**) operating at a voltage greater than 30kV, which, under either intact network or **Planned Outage** conditions:

1. normally interconnects separate **Connection Points**, or busbars at a **Connection Point**

which are normally run in separate sections; or

1. connects **Embedded Large Power Stations**, or **Embedded Medium Power Stations**, or **Embedded DC Converter Stations**, or **Embedded HVDC Systems** or **Offshore Transmission Systems** connected to the **User’s Subtransmission System**, to a **Connection Point** or **Interface Point**.

At the **User’s** discretion, the **Single Line Diagram** can also contain additional details of the **User’s Subtransmission System** (and any **OTSUA**) not already included above, and also details of the transformers connecting the **User’s Subtransmission System** to a lower voltage. With **The Company’s** agreement, the **Single Line Diagram** can also contain information about the **User’s System** (and any **OTSUA**) at a voltage below the voltage of the **Subtransmission System**.

The **Single Line Diagram** for a **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) must include all parts of the System connecting generating equipment to the **Grid Entry Point** (or **User System Entry Point** if **Embedded**). As an alternative, the **User** may choose to submit a **Single Line Diagram** with the equipment between the equivalent **Power Park Unit** and the **Common Collection Busbar** reduced to an electrically equivalent network. The format for a **Single Line Diagram** for a **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) electrically equivalent system is shown in Appendix B.

The **Single Line Diagram** must include the points at which **Demand** data (provided under PC.A.4.3.4 and PC.A.4.3.5, or in the case of **Generators**, PC.A.5.) and fault infeed data (provided under PC.A.2.5) are supplied.

PC.A.2.2.3 The above-mentioned **Single Line Diagram** shall include:

1. electrical circuitry (i.e. overhead lines, identifying which circuits are on the same towers, underground cables, power transformers, reactive compensation equipment and similar equipment); and
2. substation names (in full or abbreviated form) with operating voltages.

In addition, for all load current carrying **Apparatus** operating at **Supergrid Voltage** throughout **Great Britain** and, in Scotland and **Offshore**, also at 132kV or greater, (and any **OTSUA**) the **Single Line Diagram** shall include:

1. circuit breakers
2. phasing arrangements.

PC.A.2.2.3.1 For the avoidance of doubt, the **Single Line Diagram** to be supplied is in addition to the

**Operation Diagram** supplied pursuant to CC.7.4 or ECC.7.4.

PC.A.2.2.4 For each circuit shown on the **Single Line Diagram** provided under PC.A.2.2.1, each **User**

shall provide the following details relating to that part of its **User System** and **OTSUA**: Circuit Parameters:

Rated voltage (kV) Operating voltage (kV)

Positive phase sequence reactance Positive phase sequence resistance Positive phase sequence susceptance

Zero phase sequence reactance (both self and mutual) Zero phase sequence resistance (both self and mutual) Zero phase sequence susceptance (both self and mutual)

In the case of a **Single Line Diagram** for a **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) electrically equivalent system the data should be on a 100MVA base. Depending on the equivalent system supplied an equivalent tap changer range may need to be supplied. Similarly mutual values, rated voltage and operating voltage may be inappropriate. Additionally in the case of **OTSUA**, seasonal maximum continuous ratings and circuit lengths are to be provided in addition to the data required under PC.A.2.2.4.

PC.A.2.2.5 For each transformer shown on the **Single Line Diagram** provided under PC.A.2.2.1, each

**User** (including those undertaking **OTSDUW**) shall provide the following details: Rated MVA

Voltage Ratio Winding arrangement

Positive sequence reactance (max, min and nominal tap) Positive sequence resistance (max, min and nominal tap) Zero sequence reactance

PC.A.2.2.5.1. In addition, for all interconnecting transformers between the **User's Supergrid Voltage System** and the **User's Subtransmission System** throughout **Great Britain** and, in Scotland and **Offshore**, also for all interconnecting transformers operating at 132kV or greater between the **User’s** System and the **User’s Subtransmission System** (and any **OTSUA**) the **User** shall supply the following information:-

Tap changer range Tap change step size

Tap changer type: on load or off circuit

Earthing method: Direct, resistance or reactance Impedance (if not directly earthed )

PC.A.2.2.6 Each **User** shall supply the following information about the **User’s** equipment installed at a

**Transmission Site** (or in the case of **OTSUA**, all **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**):-

1. Switchgear. For all circuit breakers:- Rated voltage (kV)

Operating voltage (kV)

Rated 3-phase rms short-circuit breaking current, (kA) Rated 1-phase rms short-circuit breaking current, (kA) Rated 3-phase peak short-circuit making current, (kA) Rated 1-phase peak short-circuit making current, (kA) Rated rms continuous current (A)

DC time constant applied at testing of asymmetrical breaking abilities (secs)

In the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** operating times for circuit breaker,

**Protection**, trip relay and total operating time should be provided.

1. Substation Infrastructure. For the substation infrastructure (including, but not limited to, switch disconnectors, disconnectors, current transformers, line traps, busbars, through bushings, etc):-

Rated 3-phase rms short-circuit withstand current (kA) Rated 1-phase rms short-circuit withstand current (kA). Rated 3-phase short-circuit peak withstand current (kA)

Rated 1- phase short-circuit peak withstand current (kA) Rated duration of short circuit withstand (secs)

Rated rms continuous current (A)

A single value for the entire substation may be supplied, provided it represents the most restrictive item of current carrying apparatus.

PC.A.2.2.7 In the case of **OTSUA** the following should also be provided

* 1. Automatic switching scheme schedules including diagrams and an explanation of how the **System** will operate and what plant will be affected by the schemes **Operation**.
  2. **Intertripping** schemes both Generation and **Demand**. In each case a diagram of the scheme and an explanation of how the **System** will operate and what **Plant** will be affected by the schemes **Operation**.

PC.A.2.3 Lumped System Susceptance

PC.A.2.3.1 For all parts of the **User’s Subtransmission System** (and any **OTSUA**) which are not included in the **Single Line Diagram** provided under PC.A.2.2.1, each **User** shall provide the equivalent lumped shunt susceptance at nominal **Frequency**.

PC.A.2.3.1.1 This should include shunt reactors connected to cables which are not normally in or out of service independent of the cable (ie. they are regarded as part of the cable).

PC.A.2.3.1.2 This should not include:

1. independently switched reactive compensation equipment connected to the **User's System** specified under PC.A.2.4, or;
2. any susceptance of the **User's System** inherent in the **Demand** (**Reactive Power**) data specified under PC.A.4.3.1.

PC.A.2.4 Reactive Compensation Equipment

PC.A.2.4.1 For all independently switched reactive compensation equipment (including any **OTSUA**), including that shown on the **Single Line Diagram**, not operated by **The Company** and connected to the **User's System** at 132kV and above in England and Wales and 33kV and above in Scotland and **Offshore** (including any **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** operating at **High Voltage**), other than **Power Factor** correction equipment associated directly with **Customers' Plant** and **Apparatus**, the following information is required:

1. type of equipment (eg. fixed or variable);
2. capacitive and/or inductive rating or its operating range in MVAr;
3. details of any automatic control logic to enable operating characteristics to be determined;
4. the point of connection to the **User's System** (including **OTSUA**) in terms of electrical location and **System** voltage.
5. In the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** the **User** should also provide:-
   1. Connection node, voltage, rating, power loss, tap range and connection arrangement.
   2. A mathematical representation in block diagram format to model the control of any dynamic compensation plant. The model should be suitable for RMS dynamic stability type studies where each time constant should be no less than 10ms.
   3. For Static Var Compensation equipment the **User** should provide: HV Node

LV Node Control Node

Nominal Voltage (kV) Target Voltage (kV)

Maximum MVAr at HV Minimum MVAr at HV Slope %

Voltage dependant Q Limit Normal Running Mode

Positive and zero phase sequence resistance and reactance Transformer winding type

Connection arrangements

PC.A.2.4.2 **DC Converter Station** owners, **HVDC System Owners** (and a **User** where the **OTSUA** includes an **OTSDUW DC Converter**) are also required to provide information about the reactive compensation and harmonic filtering equipment required to ensure that their **Plant** and **Apparatus** (and the **OTSUA**) complies with the criteria set out in CC.6.1.5 or ECC.6.1.5 (as applicable).

PC.A.2.5 Short Circuit Contribution to National Electricity Transmission System PC.A.2.5.1 General

1. To allow **The Company** to calculate fault currents, each **User** is required to provide data, calculated in accordance with **Good Industry Practice**, as set out in the following paragraphs of PC.A.2.5.
2. The data should be provided for the **User's System** with all **Generating Units** (including **Synchronous Generating Units**), **Power Park Units**, **HVDC Systems** and **DC Converters Synchronised** to that **User's System** (and any **OTSUA** where appropriate). The **User** must ensure that the pre-fault network conditions reflect a credible **System** operating arrangement.
3. The list of data items required, in whole or part, under the following provisions, is set out in PC.A.2.5.6. Each of the relevant following provisions identifies which data items in the list are required for the situation with which that provision deals.

The fault currents in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of the data list in PC.A.2.5.6 should be based on an a.c. load flow that takes into account any pre-fault current flow across the **Point of Connection** (and in the case of **OTSUA**, **Interface Points** and **Connection Points**) being considered.

Measurements made under appropriate **System** conditions may be used by the **User** to obtain the relevant data.

1. **The Company** may at any time, in writing, specifically request for data to be provided for an alternative **System** condition, for example minimum plant, and the **User** will, insofar as such request is reasonable, provide the information as soon as reasonably practicable following the request.

PC.A.2.5.2 **Network Operators** and **Non-Embedded Customers** are required to submit data in accordance with PC.A.2.5.4. **Generators**, **DC Converter Station** owners, **HVDC System Owners** and **Network Operators**, in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a Bil**ateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** within such **Network Operator’s Systems** are required to submit data in accordance with PC.A.2.5.5.

PC.A.2.5.3 Where prospective short-circuit currents on **Transmission** equipment are close to the equipment rating, and in **The Company’s** reasonable opinion more accurate calculations of the prospective short circuit currents are required, then **The Company** will request additional data as outlined in PC.A.6.6 below.

PC.A.2.5.4 Data from Network Operators and Non-Embedded Customers

PC.A.2.5.4.1 Data is required to be provided at each node on the **Single Line Diagram** provided under PC.A.2.2.1 at which motor loads and/or **Embedded Small Power Stations** and/or **Embedded Medium Power Stations** and/or **Embedded** installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** are connected, assuming a fault at that location, as follows:-

The data items listed under the following parts of PC.A.2.5.6:-

(a) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi);

and the data items shall be provided in accordance with the detailed provisions of PC.A.2.5.6(c) - (f).

PC.A.2.5.4.2 **Network Operators** shall provide the following data items in respect of each **Interface Point**

within their **User System**:

## Maximum Export Capacity;

* 1. **Maximum Import Capacity**; and,

## Interface Point Target Voltage/Power Factor

**Network Operators** shall alongside these parameters include details of any manual or automatic post fault actions to be taken by the owner / operator of the **Offshore Transmission System** connected to such **Interface Point** that are required by the **Network Operator**.

PC.A.2.5.5 Data from **Generators** (including **Generators** undertaking **OTSDUW** and those responsible for **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), **DC Converter Station** owners, **HVDC System Owners** and from **Network Operators** in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** within such **Network Operator’s Systems**.

PC.A.2.5.5.1 For each **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** forming part of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) with one or more associated **Unit Transformers**, the **Generator**, or the **Network Operator** in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** within such **Network Operator’s System** is required to provide values for the contribution of the **Power Station Auxiliaries** (including **Auxiliary Energy Supplies**) to the fault current flowing through the **Unit Transformer(s)**.

The data items listed under the following parts of PC.A.2.5.6(a) should be provided:- (i), (ii) and (v);

* + 1. if the associated **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** forming part of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) step-up transformer can supply zero phase sequence current from the **Generating Unit** side to the **National Electricity Transmission System**;
    2. if the value is not 1.0 p.u;

and the data items shall be provided in accordance with the detailed provisions of PC.A.2.5.6(c) - (f), and with the following parts of this PC.A.2.5.5.

PC.A.2.5.5.2 Auxiliary motor short circuit current contribution and any **Auxiliary Gas Turbine Unit** contribution through the **Unit Transformers** must be represented as a combined short circuit current contribution at the **Generating Unit's** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** forming part of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) terminals, assuming a fault at that location.

PC.A.2.5.5.3 If the **Power Station** or **HVDC System** or **DC Converter Station** (or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** which provides a fault infeed) has separate **Station Transformers**, data should be provided for the fault current contribution from each transformer at its high voltage terminals, assuming a fault at that location, as follows:-

The data items listed under the following parts of PC.A.2.5.6

1. (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi);

and the data items shall be provided in accordance with the detailed provisions of PC.A.2.5.6(b) - (f).

PC.A.2.5.5.4 Data for the fault infeeds through both **Unit Transformers** and **Station Transformers** shall be provided for the normal running arrangement when the maximum number of **Generating Units** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** forming part of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) are **Synchronised** to the **System** or when all the **DC Converters** at a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC Converters** within an **HVDC System** are transferring **Rated MW** in either direction. Where there is an alternative running arrangement (or transfer in the case of a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System**) which can give a higher fault infeed through the **Station Transformers**, then a separate data submission representing this condition shall be made.

PC.A.2.5.5.5 Unless the normal operating arrangement within the **Power Station** is to have the **Station** and **Unit Boards** interconnected within the **Power Station**, no account should be taken of the interconnection between the **Station Board** and the **Unit Board**.

PC.A.2.5.5.6 Auxiliary motor short circuit current contribution and any auxiliary **DC Converter Station** contribution or **HVDC System** contribution through the **Station Transformers** must be represented as a combined short circuit current contribution through the **Station Transformers**.

PC.A.2.5.5.7 Where a **Manufacturer’s Data & Performance Report** exists in respect of the model of the **Power Park Unit**, the **User** may opt to reference the Manu**facturer’s Data & Performance Report** as an alternative to the provision of data in accordance with this PC.A.2.5.5.7. For the avoidance of doubt, all other data provision pursuant to the Grid Code shall still be provided including a Single Line Diagram and those data pertaining thereto.

For each **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) and each type of **Power Park Unit** (eg. a Doubly Fed Induction Generator) (and any **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** which provides a fault infeed), including any **Auxiliaries**, positive, negative and zero sequence root mean square current values are to be provided of the contribution to the short circuit current flowing at:

1. the **Power Park Unit** terminals, or the **Common Collection Busbar** if an equivalent

**Single Line Diagram** and associated data as described in PC.A.2.2.2 is provided, and

1. the **Grid Entry Point** (and in case of **OTSUA**, **Transmission Interface Point**), or **User System Entry Point** if **Embedded**

for the following solid faults at the **Grid Entry Point** (and in case of **OTSUA**, **Interface Point**), or **User System Entry Point** if **Embedded**:

1. a symmetrical three phase short circuit
2. a single phase to earth short circuit
3. a phase to phase short circuit
4. a two phase to earth short circuit

For a **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) in which one or more of the **Power Park Units** utilise a protective control such as a crowbar circuit, the data should indicate whether the protective control will act in each of the above cases and the effects of its action shall be included in the data. For any case in which the protective control will act, the data for the fault shall also be submitted for the limiting case in which the protective circuit will not act, which may involve the application of a non-solid fault, and the positive, negative and zero sequence retained voltages at;

* 1. the **Power Park Unit** terminals, or the **Common Collection Busbar** if an equivalent

**Single Line Diagram** and associated data is provided and

## the Grid Entry Point, or User System Entry Point if Embedded

in this limiting case shall be provided.

For each fault for which data is submitted, the data items listed under the following parts of PC.A.2.5.6(a) shall be provided:-

(iv), (vii), (viii), (ix), (x);

In addition, if an equivalent **Single Line Diagram** has been provided the data items listed under the following parts of PC.A.2.5.6(a) shall be provided:-

(xi), (xii), (xiii);

In addition, for a **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) in which one or more of the **Power Park Units** utilise a protective control such as a crowbar circuit:-

the data items listed under the following parts of PC.A.2.5.6(a) shall be provided:- (xiv), (xv);

All of the above data items shall be provided in accordance with the detailed provisions of PC.A.2.5.6(c), (d), (f).

Should actual data in respect of fault infeeds be unavailable at the time of the application for a **CUSC Contract** or **Embedded Development Agreement**, a limited subset of the data, representing the maximum fault infeed that may result from all of the plant types being considered, shall be submitted. This data will, as a minimum, represent the root mean square of the positive, negative and zero sequence components of the fault current for both single phase and three phase solid faults at the **Grid Entry Point** (or **User System Entry Point** if **Embedded**) at the time of fault application and 50ms following fault application. Actual data in respect of fault infeeds shall be submitted to **The Company** as soon as it is available, in line with PC.A.1.2

PC.A.2.5.6 Data Items

* + 1. The following is the list of data utilised in this part of the **PC**. It also contains rules on the data which generally apply:-
       1. Root mean square of the symmetrical three-phase short circuit current infeed at the instant of fault, (I1");
       2. Root mean square of the symmetrical three-phase short circuit current after the subtransient fault current contribution has substantially decayed, (I1');
       3. the zero sequence source resistance and reactance values of the **User's System** as seen from the node on the **Single Line Diagram** provided under PC.A.2.2.1 (or **Power Generating Module** or **Station Transformer** high voltage terminals or **Generating Unit** terminals or **DC Converter** terminals or **HVDC System** terminals, as appropriate) consistent with the infeed described in PC.A.2.5.1.(b);
       4. root mean square of the pre-fault voltage at which the maximum fault currents were calculated;
       5. the positive sequence X/R ratio at the instant of fault;
       6. the negative sequence resistance and reactance values of the **User's System** seen from the node on the **Single Line Diagram** provided under PC.A.2.2.1 (or **Power Generating Module** or **Station Transformer** high voltage terminals, or **Generating Unit** terminals or **DC Converter** terminals or **HVDC System** terminals as appropriate) if substantially different from the values of positive sequence resistance and reactance which would be derived from the data provided above;
       7. A continuous trace and a table showing the root mean square of the positive, negative and zero sequence components of the short circuit current between zero and 140ms at 10ms intervals;
       8. The **Active Power** (or **Interface Point Capacity** being exported pre-fault by the **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**) being generated pre-fault by the **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) and by each type of **Power Park Unit**;
       9. The reactive compensation shown explicitly on the **Single Line Diagram** that is switched in;
       10. The **Power Factor** of the **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) and of each **Power Park Unit** type;
       11. The positive sequence X/R ratio of the equivalent at the **Common Collection Busbar** or **Interface Point** in the case of **OTSUA**;
       12. The minimum zero sequence impedance of the equivalent seen from the **Common Collection Busbar** or **Interface Point** in the case of **OTSUA**;
       13. The number of **Power Park Units** represented in the equivalent **Power Park Unit**;
       14. The additional rotor resistance and reactance (if any) that is applied to the **Power Park Unit** under a fault condition;
       15. A continuous trace and a table showing the root mean square of the positive, negative and zero sequence components of the retained voltage at the fault point and **Power Park Unit** terminals, or the **Common Collection Busbar** if an equivalent **Single Line Diagram** and associated data as described in PC.A.2.2.2 is provided or **Interface Point** in the case of **OTSUA**, representing the limiting case, which may involve the application of a non-solid fault, required to not cause operation of the protective control;
    2. In considering this data, unless the **User** notifies **The Company** accordingly at the time of data submission, **The Company** will assume that the time constant of decay of the subtransient fault current corresponding to the change from I1" to I1', (T") is not significantly different from 40ms. If that assumption is not correct in relation to an item of data, the **User** must inform **The Company** at the time of submission of the data.
    3. The value for the X/R ratio must reflect the rate of decay of the d.c. component that may be present in the fault current and hence that of the sources of the initial fault current. All shunt elements and loads must therefore be deleted from any system model before the X/R ratio is calculated.
    4. In producing the data, the **User** may use "time step analysis" or "fixed-point-in-time analysis" with different impedances.
    5. If a fixed-point-in-time analysis with different impedances method is used, then in relation to the data submitted under (a) (i) above, the data will be required for "time zero" to give I1". The figure of 120ms is consistent with a decay time constant T" of 40ms, and if that figure is different, then the figure of 120ms must be changed accordingly.
    6. Where a "time step analysis" is carried out, the X/R ratio may be calculated directly from the rate of decay of the d.c. component. The X/R ratio is not that given by the phase angle of the fault current if this is based on a system calculation with shunt loads, but from the Thévenin equivalent of the system impedance at the instant of fault with all non-source shunts removed.

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| PC.A.3 |  | POWER GENERATING MODULE, GENERATING UNIT, HVDC SYSTEM AND DC CONVERTER DATA |
| PC.A.3.1 |  | Introduction |
|  |  | Directly Connected |
| PC.A.3.1.1 |  | Each **Generator**, **HVDC System Owner** and **DC Converter Station** owner (and a **User** where the **OTSUA** includes an **OTSDUW DC Converter**) with an existing, or proposed, **Power Station** or **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** directly connected, or to be directly connected, to the **National Electricity Transmission System** (or in the case of **OTSUA**, the **Interface Point**), shall provide **The Company** with data relating to that **Power Station** or **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System**, both current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.3.2 to PC.A.3.4. |
|  |  | Embedded |
| PC.A.3.1.2 | (a) | Each **Generator**, **HVDC System Owner** and **DC Converter Station** owner in respect of its existing, and/or proposed, **Embedded Large Power Stations** and/or **Embedded HVDC Systems** and/or **Embedded DC Converter Stations** and/or its **Embedded Medium Power Stations** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and each **Network Operator** in respect of its **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Embedded HVDC Systems** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** within such **Network Operator’s System** in each case connected to the **Subtransmission System**, shall provide **The Company** with data relating to that **Power Station** or **DC Converter Station** or **HVC System**, both current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.3.2 to PC.A.3.4. |
|  | (b) | No data need be supplied in relation to any **Small Power Station** or any **Medium Power Station** or installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System**, connected at a voltage level below the voltage level of the **Subtransmission System** except:- |
|  |  | (i) in connection with an application for, or under, a **CUSC Contract**, or |
|  |  | (ii) unless specifically requested by **The Company** under PC.A.3.1.4. |
| PC.A.3.1.3 | (a) | Each **Network Operator** shall provide **The Company** with the data specified in PC.A.3.2.2(c)(i) and (ii) and PC.A.3.2.2(i). |
|  | (b) | **Network Operators** need not submit planning data in respect of an **Embedded Small Power Station** unless required to do so under PC.A.1.2(b) or unless specifically requested under PC.A.3.1.4 below, in which case they will supply such data. |
| PC.A.3.1.4 | (a) | PC.A.4.2.4(b) and PC.A.4.3.2(a) explain that the forecast **Demand** submitted by each **Network Operator** must be net of the output of all **Small Power Stations** and **Medium Power Stations** and **Customer Generating Plant** and all installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System**, **Embedded** within that **Network Operator’s System**. The **Network Operator** must inform **The Company** of: |
|  |  | (i) the number of such **Embedded Power Stations** and such **Embedded** installations |

of direct current converters (including the number of **Generating Units** or **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) or **DC Converters** or **HVDC Systems**) together with their summated capacity; and

1. beginning from the 2015 Week 24 data submission, for each **Embedded Small Power Station** of registered capacity (as defined in the **Distribution Code**) of 1MW or more:
2. A reference which is unique to each **Network Operator**;
3. The production type as follows:
   1. In the case of an **Embedded Small Power Station** first connected on or after 1 January 2015, the production type must be selected from the list

below:

* Biomass;
* Fossil brown coal/lignite;
* Fossil coal-derived gas;
* Fossil gas;
* Fossil hard coal;
* Fossil oil;
* Fossil oil shale;
* Fossil peat;
* Geothermal;
* Hydro pumped storage;
* Hydro run-of-river and poundage;
* Hydro water reservoir;
* Marine;
* Nuclear;
* Other renewable;
* Solar;
* Waste;
* Wind offshore;
* Wind onshore; or
* Other;

together with a statement as to whether the generation forms part of a CHP scheme;

1. beginning from the 2019 Week 24 data submission, for **Embedded Power Stations** with **Registered Capacity** of less than 1MW, their best estimate of the aggregated capacity of all such **Embedded Power Stations** per production type as defined in the list in PC.A.3.1.4 (a)(ii)(2)(a).
   1. In the case of an **Embedded Small Power Station** first connected to the **Users’ System** before 1 January 2015, as an alternative to the production type, the technology type(s) used, selected from the list set out at paragraph 2.23 in Version 2 of the Regulatory Instructions and Guidance relating to the distributed generation incentive, innovation funding incentive and registered power zones, reference 83/07, published by Ofgem in April 2007;
   2. In the case of an **Embedded Small Power Station** comprising **Electricity Storage Modules** or **Electricity Storage Units** first connected the **User’s System** on or after May 20 2020, the storage type must be selected from the list below:

-Chemical

Ammonia Hydrogen Synthetic Fuels Drop-in Fuels Methanol

Synthetic Natural Gas

-Electrical Supercapacitors

Superconducting Magnetic ES (SMES)

-Mechanical

Adiabatic Compressed Air Diabatic Compressed Air Liquid Air Energy Storage Pumped Hydro

Flywheels

-Electrochemical Classic Batteries

Lead Acid

Lithium Polymer (Li-Polymer) Metal Air

Nickle Cadmium (Ni-Cd)

Sodium Nickle Chloride (Na-NiCl2) Lithium Ion (Li–ion)

Sodium Ion (Na–ion) Lithium Sulphur (Li-S) Sodium Sulphur(Na-S

Nickle –Metal Hydride (Ni-MH) Flow Batteries

Vanadium Red-Oxide Zinc – Iron (Zn –Fe) Zinc – Bromine (Zn –Br)

Other

together with a statement as to whether the storage forms part of a CHP scheme. Where this information is not held by the **Network Operator** it should provide its best view of the type of storage technology.

1. The registered capacity (as defined in the **Distribution Code**) in MW;
2. The lowest voltage level node that is specified on the most up-to-date **Single Line Diagram** to which it connects or where it will export most of its power;
3. Where it generates electricity from wind or PV, the geographical location using either latitude or longitude or grid reference coordinates of the primary or higher voltage substation to which it connects;
4. The reactive power and voltage control mode, including the voltage set-point and reactive range, where it operates in voltage control mode, or the target **Power Factor**, where it operates in **Power Factor** mode;
5. Details of the types of loss of mains **Protection** in place and their relay settings which in the case of **Embedded Small Power Stations** first connected to the **Users’ System** before 1 January 2015 shall be provided on a reasonable endeavours basis.
6. On receipt of this data, the **Network Operator** or **Generator** (if the data relates to **Power Stations** referred to in PC.A.3.1.2) may be further required, at **The Company's** reasonable discretion, to provide details of **Embedded Small Power Stations** and **Embedded Medium Power Stations** and **Customer Generating Plant** and **Embedded** installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System**, both current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.3.2 to PC.A.3.4. Such requirement would arise where **The Company** reasonably considers that the collective effect of a number of such **Embedded Power Stations** and **Customer Generating Plants** and **Embedded** installations of direct current converters may have a significant system effect on the **National Electricity Transmission System**.

Busbar Arrangements

PC.A.3.1.5 Where **Generating Units**, which term includes **CCGT Units** and **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module** and **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), and **DC Converters**, and **HVDC Systems** are connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** via a busbar arrangement which is or is expected to be operated in separate sections, the section of busbar to which each **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**), **DC Converter**, **HVDC System** or **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) is connected is to be identified in the submission.

PC.A.3.2 Output Data

PC.A.3.2.1 (a) **Large Power Stations** and **Gensets**

Data items PC.A.3.2.2 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (h) are required with respect to each **Large Power Station** and each **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module)** and **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) of each **Large Power Station** and for each **Genset** (although (a) is not required for **CCGT Units** and (b), (d) and (e) are not normally required for **CCGT Units** and (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (h) are not normally required for **Power Park Units**).

## Embedded Small Power Stations and Embedded Medium Power Stations

Data item PC.A.3.2.2 (a) is required with respect to each **Embedded Small Power Station** and **Embedded Medium Power Station** and each **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) and **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) of each **Embedded Small Power Station** and **Embedded Medium Power Station** (although (a) is not required for **CCGT Units** or **Power Park Units**). In addition, data item PC.A.3.2.2(c)(ii) is required with respect to each **Embedded Medium Power Station**.

## CCGT Units/Modules

* 1. Data item PC.A.3.2.2 (g) is required with respect to each **CCGT Unit**;
  2. data item PC.A.3.2.2 (a) is required with respect to each **CCGT Module**; and
  3. data items PC.A.3.2.2 (b), (c), (d) and (e) are required with respect to each **CCGT Module** unless **The Company** informs the relevant **User** in advance of the submission that it needs the data items with respect to each **CCGT Unit** for particular studies, in which case it must be supplied on a **CCGT Unit** basis.

Where any definition utilised or referred to in relation to any of the data items does not reflect **CCGT Units**, such definition shall be deemed to relate to **CCGT Units** for the purposes of these data items. Any **Schedule** in the **DRC** which refers to these data items shall be interpreted to incorporate the **CCGT Unit** basis where appropriate;

## Cascade Hydro Schemes

Data item PC.A.3.2.2(i) is required with respect to each **Cascade Hydro Scheme**.

## Power Park Units/Modules

Data items PC.A.3.2.2 (k) is required with respect to each **Power Park Module** (including

## DC Connected Power Park Modules).

1. **DC Converters** and **HVDC Systems**

Data items PC.A.3.2.2 (a), (b), (c), (d) (e) (f) (h) and (i) are required with respect of each **HVDC System**, each **DC Converter Station** and each **DC Converter** in each **DC Converter Station**. For installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station** only data item PC.A.3.2.2.(a) is required.

PC.A.3.2.2 Items (a), (b), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j) and (k) are to be supplied by each **Generator**, **DC Converter Station** owner, **HVDC System Owner** or **Network Operator** (as the case may be) in accordance with PC.A.3.1.1, PC.A.3.1.2, PC.A.3.1.3 and PC.A.3.1.4. Items (a), and (f)(iv) are to be supplied (as applicable) by a **Use**r in the case of **OTSUA** which includes an **OTSDUW DC Converter**. Item (c) is to be supplied by each **Network Operator** in all cases:-

1. **Registered Capacity** (MW), **Maximum Capacity** (in the case of **Power Generating Modules** in addition to **Registered Capacity** on a **Power Station** basis**)** or **Interface Point Capacity** in the case of **OTSDUW**;
2. **Output Usable** (MW) on a monthly basis;
3. (i) **System Constrained Capacity** (MW) ie. any constraint placed on the capacity of the **Embedded Generating Unit** (including a **Synchronous Generating Unit** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**), **Embedded Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) an **Offshore Transmission System** at an **Interface Point**, **Embedded HVDC System** or **DC Converter** at an **Embedded DC Converter Station** due to the **Network Operator’s System** in which it is **Embedded.** Where **Generating Units** (which term includes **CCGT Units** and **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**), **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), **Offshore Transmission Systems** at an **Interface Point, HVDC Systems** or **DC Converters** are connected to a **Network Operator’s User System** via a busbar arrangement which is or is expected to be operated in separate sections, details of busbar running arrangements and connected circuits at the substation to which the **Embedded Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within an **Embedded Synchronous Power Generating Module)**, **Embedded Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), **Offshore Transmission System** at an **Interface Point**, or **Embedded HVDC System** or **Embedded DC Converter** is connected sufficient for **The Company** to determine where the MW generated by each **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**), **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), **HVDC System** or **DC Converter** at that **Power Station** or **DC Converter Station** or **Offshore Transmission System** at an **Interface Point** would appear onto the **National Electricity Transmission System**;

(ii) any **Reactive Despatch Network Restrictions**;

1. **Minimum Generation** (MW), and in the case of **Power Generating Modules** only

## Minimum Stable Operating Level (MW) and Minimum Regulating Level;

1. MW obtainable from **Generating Units** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**), **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), **HVDC Systems** or **DC Converters** at a **DC Converter Station** in excess of **Registered Capacity** or **Maximum Capacity**;

## Generator Performance Chart:

* 1. **GB Code User**(s) in respect of **Generating Units** shall provide a **Generator Performance Chart** and **EU Code Users** in respect of **Power Generating Modules** shall provide a **Power Generating Module Performance Chart** and a **Synchronous Generating Unit Performance Chart**.
  2. at the electrical point of connection to the **Offshore Transmission System** for an **Offshore Synchronous Generating Unit** and **Offshore Synchronous Power Generating Module**.
  3. at the electrical point of connection to the **National Electricity Transmission System** (or **User System** if **Embedded**) for a **Non Synchronous Generating Unit** (excluding a **Power Park Unit**), **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), **HVDC System** and **DC Converter** at a **DC Converter Station**;
  4. at the **Interface Point** for **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**

Where a **Reactive Despatch Network Restriction** applies, its existence and details should be highlighted on the **Generator Performance Chart**, in sufficient detail for **The Company** to determine the nature of the restriction.

1. a list of the **CCGT Units** within a **CCGT Module**, identifying each **CCGT Unit**, and the **CCGT Module** of which it forms part, unambiguously. In the case of a **Range CCGT Module**, details of the possible configurations should also be submitted, together:-
   1. (in the case of a **Range CCGT Module** connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System**) with details of the single **Grid Entry Point** (there can only be one) at which power is provided from the **Range CCGT Module**;
   2. (in the case of an **Embedded Range CCGT Module**) with details of the single **User System Entry Point** (there can only be one) at which power is provided from the **Range CCGT Module**;

Provided that, nothing in this sub-paragraph (g) shall prevent the busbar at the relevant point being operated in separate sections;

1. expected running regime(s) at each **Power Station**, **HVDC System** or **DC Converter Station** and type of **Power Generating Module** or **Generating Unit** (as applicable), eg. **Steam Unit**, **Gas Turbine Unit**, **Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Unit**, **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), **Novel Units** (specify by type), etc;
2. a list of **Power Stations** and **Generating Units** within a **Cascade Hydro Scheme**, identifying each **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) and **Power Station** and the **Cascade Hydro Scheme** of which each form part unambiguously. In addition:
   1. details of the **Grid Entry Point** at which **Active Power** is provided, or if **Embedded** the **Grid Supply Point(s)** within which the **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module)** is connected;
   2. where the **Active Power** output of a **Generating Unit** is split between more than one **Grid Supply Points** the percentage that would appear under normal and outage conditions at each **Grid Supply Point**.
3. The following additional items are only applicable to **DC Converters** at **DC Converter Stations** and **HVDC Systems**.

**Registered Import Capacity** (MW); **Import Usable** (MW) on a monthly basis; **Minimum Import Capacity** (MW);

MW that may be absorbed by a **DC Converter** or **HVDC System** in excess of **Registered Import Capacity** and **Maximum HVDC Active Power Transmission Capacity** under importing conditions and the duration for which this is available;

1. the number and types of the **Power Park Units** within a **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), identifying each **Power Park Unit**, the **Power Park Module** of which it forms part and identifying the **BM Unit** of which each **Power Park Module** forms part, unambiguously. In the case of a **Power Station** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** with multiple **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) where **Power Park Units** can be selected to run in different **Power Park Modules** and/or **Power Park Modules** can be selected to run in different **BM Units**, details of the possible configurations should also be submitted. In addition, for **Offshore Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), the number of **Offshore Power Park Strings** that are aggregated into one **Offshore Power Park Module** should also be submitted.
2. the number and types of the **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**, identifying each **Synchronous Generating Unit**, the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** of which it forms part and identifying the **BM Unit** of which each **Synchronous Power Generating Module** forms part, unambiguously. In the case of a **Power Station** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** with multiple **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** where **Synchronous Generating Units** can be selected to run in different **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** and/or **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** can be selected to run in different **BM Units**, details of the possible configurations should also be submitted.

PC.A.3.2.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this PC, the **CCGT Units** within a **CCGT Module**, details of which are required under paragraph (g) of PC.A.3.2.2, can only be amended in accordance with the following provisions:-

1. if the **CCGT Module** is a **Normal CCGT Module**, the **CCGT Units** within that **CCGT Module** can only be amended such that the **CCGT Module** comprises different **CCGT Units** if **The Company** gives its prior consent in writing. Notice of the wish to amend the **CCGT Units** within such a **CCGT Module** must be given at least 6 months before it is wished for the amendment to take effect;
2. if the **CCGT Module** is a **Range CCGT Module**, the **CCGT Units** within that **CCGT Module** and the **Grid Entry Point** at which the power is provided can only be amended as described in BC1.A1.6.4.

PC.A.3.2.4 Notwithstanding any other provision of this **PC**, the **Power Park Units** within a **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), and the **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) within a **BM Unit**, details of which are required under paragraph (k) of PC.A.3.2.2, can only be amended in accordance with the following provisions:-

1. if the **Power Park Units** within that **Power Park Module** can only be amended such that the **Power Park Module** comprises different **Power Park Units** due to repair/replacement of individual **Power Park Units** if **The Company** gives its prior consent in writing. Notice of the wish to amend a **Power Park Unit** within such a **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) must be given at least 4 weeks before it is wished for the amendment to take effect;
2. if the **Power Park Units** within that **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) and/or the **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) within that **BM Unit** can be selected to run in different **Power Park Modules** and/or **BM Units** as an alternative operational running arrangement the **Power Park Units** within the **Power Park Module**, the **BM Unit** of which each **Power Park Module** forms part, and the **Grid Entry Point** at which the power is provided can only be amended as described in BC1.A.1.8.4.

PC.A.3.2.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this **PC**, the **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**, and the **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** within a **BM Unit**, details of which are required under paragraph (l) of PC.A.3.2.2, can only be amended in accordance with the following provisions:-

1. if the **Synchronous Generating Units** within that **Synchronous Power Generating Module** can only be amended such that the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** comprises different **Synchronous Generating Units** due to repair/replacement of individual **Synchronous Generating Units** if **The Company** gives its prior consent in writing. Notice of the wish to amend a **Synchronous Generating Unit** within such a **Synchronous Power Generating Module** must be given at least 4 weeks before it is wished for the amendment to take effect;
2. if the **Synchronous Generating Units** within that **Synchronous Power Generating Module** and/or the **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** within that **BM Unit** can be selected to run in different **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** and/or **BM Units** as an alternative operational running arrangement the **Synchronous Generating Units** within the **Synchronous Power Generating Module**, the **BM Unit** of which each **Synchronous Power Generating Module** forms part, and the **Grid Entry Point** at which the power is provided can only be amended as described in BC1.A.1.9.4(c).The requirements of PC.A.3.2.5 need not be satisfied if **Generators** have already submitted data in respect of PC.A.3.2.3, PC.A.3.2.4 and PC.A.3.2.5 for the same **Power Generating Module**.

PC.A.3.3. Rated Parameters Data

PC.A.3.3.1 The following information is required to facilitate an early assessment, by **The Company**, of the need for more detailed studies;

1. for all **Generating Units** (excluding **Power Park Units**) and **Power Park Modules**

(including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**): Rated MVA

## Rated MW;

1. for each **Synchronous Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units**

within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**): Short circuit ratio

Direct axis transient reactance;

Inertia constant (for whole machine), MWsecs/MVA;

1. for each **Synchronous Generating Unit** step-up transformer (including the step up transformer of a **Synchronous Generating Unit** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**):

Rated MVA

Positive sequence reactance (at max, min and nominal tap);

1. for each **DC Converter** at a **DC Converter Station**, **HVDC System**, **DC Converter** connecting a **Power Park Module** (including a **DC Connected Power Park Module**) and **Transmission DC Converter** (forming part of an **OTSUA**).

**DC Converter** or **HVDC Converter** type (e.g. current/voltage sourced)

**Rated MW** per pole for import and export Number of poles and pole arrangement Rated DC voltage/pole (kV)

Return path arrangement

Remote AC connection arrangement (excluding **OTSDUW DC Converters**) **Maximum HVDC Active Power Transmission Capacity**

## Minimum Active Power Transmission Capacity

1. for each type of **Power Park Unit** in a **Power Park Module** not connected to the **Total System** by a **DC Converter** or **HVDC System**:

Rated MVA

## Rated MW

Rated terminal voltage

Inertia constant, (MWsec/MVA)

Additionally, for **Power Park Units** that are squirrel-cage or doubly-fed induction

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generators driven by wind turbines: Stator reactance.

Magnetising reactance.

Rotor resistance (at rated running) Rotor reactance (at rated running)

The generator rotor speed range (minimum and maximum speeds in RPM) (for doubly-fed induction generators only)

Converter MVA rating (for doubly-fed induction generators only)

For a **Power Park Unit** consisting of a synchronous machine in combination with a back- to-back **DC Converter** or **HVDC Converter**, or for a **Power Park Unit** not driven by a wind turbine, the data to be supplied shall be agreed with **The Company** in accordance with PC.A.7.

This information should only be given in the data supplied in accordance with PC.4.4 and PC.4.5.

PC.A.3.4 General Generating Unit, Power Park Module (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), Power Generating Module, HVDC System and DC Converter Data

PC.A.3.4.1 The point of connection to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the **Total System**, if other than to the **National Electricity Transmission System**, in terms of geographical and electrical location and system voltage is also required.

PC.A.3.4.2 (a) Type of **Generating Unit** (ie **Synchronous Power Generating Unit** within a **Power Generating Module**, **Synchronous Generating Unit**, **Non-Synchronous Generating Unit**, **DC Converter**, **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) or **HVDC System**).

1. In the case of a **Synchronous Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module)** details of the **Exciter** category, for example whether it is a rotating **Exciter** or a static **Exciter** or in the case of a **Non-Synchronous Generating Unit** the voltage control system.
2. Whether a **Power System Stabiliser** is fitted.

PC.A.3.4.3 Each **Generator** shall supply **The Company** with the production type(s) used as the primary source of power in respect of each **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**), selected from the list set out below:

* + Biomass
  + Fossil brown coal/lignite
  + Fossil coal-derived gas
  + Fossil gas
  + Fossil hard coal
  + Fossil oil
  + Fossil oil shale
  + Fossil peat
  + Geothermal
  + Hydro pumped storage
  + Hydro run-of-river and poundage
  + Hydro water reservoir
  + Marine
  + Nuclear
* Other renewable
* Solar
* Waste
* Wind offshore
* Wind onshore
* Other

PC.A.3.4.4 In the case of an **Electricity Storage Module** or **Electricity Storage Unit**, each **Generator** shall supply **The Company** with the production type(s) used as the primary **Electricity Storage** source (including **Synchronous Electricity Storage Units** within a **Synchronous Electricity Storage Module**), selected from the list set out below:

-Chemical

Ammonia Hydrogen Synthetic Fuels Drop-in Fuels Methanol

Synthetic Natural Gas

-Electrical

Supercapacitors

Superconducting Magnetic ES (SMES)

-Mechanical

Adiabatic Compressed Air Diabatic Compressed Air Liquid Air Energy Storage Pumped Hydro

Flywheels

-Electrochemical

Classic Batteries Lead Acid

Lithium Polymer (Li-Polymer) Metal Air

Nickle Cadmium (Ni-Cd)

Sodium Nickle Chloride (Na-NiCl2) Lithium Ion (Li–ion)

Sodium Ion (Na–ion) Lithium Sulphur (Li-S) Sodium Sulphur(Na-S

Nickle –Metal Hydride (Ni-MH) Flow Batteries

Vanadium Red-Oxide Zinc – Iron (Zn –Fe) Zinc – Bromine (Zn –Br)

Other

### PC.A.4 DEMAND AND ACTIVE ENERGY DATA

PC.A.4.1 Introduction

PC.A.4.1.1 Each **User** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** with **Demand** shall provide **The Company** with the **Demand** data, historic, current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.4.2 and PC.A.4.3. Paragraphs PC.A.4.1.2 and PC.A.4.1.3 apply equally to **Active Energy** requirements as to **Demand** unless the context otherwise requires.

PC.A.4.1.2 Data will need to be supplied by:

1. each **Network Operator**, in relation to **Demand** and **Active Energy** requirements on its

## User System;

1. each **Non-Embedded Customer, Pumped Storage Generators** (with respect to Pumping **Demand**) and **Generators** in relation to **Electricity Storage Modules** in relation to their **Demand** and **Active Energy** requirements.
2. each **DC Converter Station** owner or **HVDC System Owner** in relation to **Demand** and

**Active Energy** transferred (imported) to its **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System**.

1. each **OTSDUW DC Converter** in relation to the Demand at each **Interface Point** and

## Connection Point.

**Demand** of **Power Stations** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** is to be supplied by the **Generator** under PC.A.5.2.

PC.A.4.1.3 References in this **PC** to data being supplied on a half hourly basis refer to it being supplied for each period of 30 minutes ending on the hour or half-hour in each hour.

PC.A.4.1.4 **Access Periods** and **Access Groups**

PC.A.4.1.4.1 Each **Connection Point** must belong to one, and only one, **Access Group**. PC.A.4.1.4.2 Each **Transmission Interface Circuit** must have an **Access Period**.

PC.A.4.1.4.3 The **Access Period** shall

1. normally be a minimum of 8 continuous weeks and can occur in any one of three maintenance years during the period from calendar week 13 to calendar week 43 (inclusive) in each year; or,
2. exceptionally and provided that agreement is reached between **The Company** and the relevant **User(s)**, such agreement to be sought in accordance with PC.7, the **Access Period** may be of a period not less than 4 continuous weeks and can occur in any one of three maintenance years during the period from calendar week 10 to calendar week 43 (inclusive) in each year.

PC.A.4.1.4.4 **The Company** shall submit in writing no later than calendar week 6 in each year:

1. the calendar weeks defining the proposed start and finish of each **Access Period** for each **Transmission Interface Circuit**; and
2. the **Connection Points** in each **Access Group**.

The submission by **The Company** under PC.A.4.1.4.4 (a) above shall commence in 2010 and shall then continue each year thereafter. The submission by **The Company** under PC.A.4.1.4.4 (b) shall commence in 2009 and then continue each year thereafter.

PC.A.4.1.4.5 It is permitted for **Access Periods** to overlap in the same **Access Group** and in the same maintenance year. However, where possible **Access Periods** will be sought by **The Company** that do not overlap with any other **Access Period** within that **Access Group** for each maintenance year. Where it is not possible to avoid overlapping **Access Periods**, **The Company** will indicate to **Users** by calendar week 6 its initial view of which **Transmission Interface Circuits** will need to be considered out of service concurrently for the purpose of assessing compliance to **Licence Standards**. The obligation on **The Company** to indicate which **Transmission Interface Circuits** will need to be considered out of service concurrently for the purpose of assessing compliance to **Licence Standards** shall commence in 2010 and shall continue each year thereafter.

PC.A.4.1.4.6 Following the submission(s) by **The Company** by week 6 in each year and where required by either party, both **The Company** and the relevant **User**(s) shall use their reasonable endeavours to agree the appropriate **Access Group(s)** and **Access Period** for each **Transmission Interface Circuit** prior to week 17 in each year. The requirement on **The Company** and the relevant **User(s)** to agree, shall commence in respect of **Access Groups** only in 2010. This paragraph PC.A.4.1.4.6 shall apply in its entirety in 2011 and shall then continue each year thereafter.

PC.A.4.1.4.7 In exceptional circumstances, and with the agreement of all parties concerned, where a **Connection Point** is specified for the purpose of the **Planning Code** as electrically independent **Subtransmission Systems**, then data submissions can be on the basis of two (or more) individual **Connection Points**.

PC.A.4.2 User’s User System Demand (Active Power) and Active Energy Data

PC.A.4.2.1 Forecast daily **Demand** (**Active Power**) profiles, as specified in (a), (b) and (c) below, in respect of each of the **User's User Systems** (each summated over all **Grid Supply Points** in each **User System**) are required for:

1. peak day on each of the **User's User Systems** (as determined by the **User**) giving the numerical value of the maximum **Demand** (**Active Power**) that in the **Users'** opinion could reasonably be imposed on the **National Electricity Transmission System**;
2. day of peak **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** (**Active Power**) as notified by **The Company** pursuant to PC.A.4.2.2;
3. day of minimum **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** (**Active Power**) as notified by **The Company** pursuant to PC.A.4.2.2.

In addition, the total **Demand** (**Active Power**) in respect of the time of peak **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** in the preceding **Financial Year** in respect of each of the **User's User Systems** (each summated over all **Grid Supply Points** in each **User System**) both outturn and weather corrected shall be supplied.

PC.A.4.2.2 No later than calendar week 17 each year, **The Company** shall notify each **Network Operator** and **Non-Embedded Customer** in writing of the following, for the current **Financial Year** and for each of the following seven **Financial Years**, which will, until replaced by the following year’s notification, be regarded as the relevant specified days and times under PC.A.4.2.1:

1. the date and time of the annual peak of the **National Electricity Transmission System Demand**;
2. the date and time of the annual minimum of the **National Electricity Transmission System Demand**;
3. the relevant **Access Period** for each **Transmission Interface Circuit**; and,
4. concurrent **Access Periods** of two or more **Transmission Interface Circuits** (if any) that are situated in the same **Access Group**.

The submissions by **The Company** made under PC.A.4.2.1 (c) and PC.A.4.2.1 (d) above shall commence in 2010 and shall then continue in respect of each year thereafter.

PC.A.4.2.3 The total **Active Energy** used on each of the **Network Operators’** or **Non-Embedded Customers’ User Systems** (each summated over all **Grid Supply Points** in each **User System**) in the preceding **Financial Year**, both outturn and weather corrected, together with a prediction for the current financial year, is required. Each **Active Energy** submission shall be subdivided into the following categories of **Customer** tariff:

### LV1 LV2 LV3 HV EHV

Traction Lighting

In addition, the total **User System** losses and the **Active Energy** provided by **Embedded Small Power Stations** and **Embedded Medium Power Stations** shall be supplied.

PC.A.4.2.4 All forecast **Demand** (**Active Power**) and **Active Energy** specified in PC.A.4.2.1 and PC.A.4.2.3 shall:

* 1. in the case of PC.A.4.2.1(a), (b) and (c), be such that the profiles comprise average

**Active Power** levels in 'MW' for each time marked half hour throughout the day;

* 1. in the case of PC.A.4.2.1(a), (b) and (c), be that remaining after any deductions reasonably considered appropriate by the **User** to take account of the output profile of all **Embedded Small Power Stations** and **Embedded Medium Power Stations** and **Customer Generating Plant** and imports across **Embedded External Interconnections** including imports across **Embedded** installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** with a **Registered Capacity** or **HVDC Active Power Transmission Capacity** of less than 100MW;
  2. be based upon **Annual ACS Conditions** for times that occur during week 44 through to week 12 (inclusive) and based on **Average Conditions** for weeks 13 to 43 (inclusive).

PC.A.4.3 Connection Point Demand (Active and Reactive Power)

PC.A.4.3.1 Forecast **Demand** (**Active Power**) and **Power Factor** (values of the **Power Factor** at maximum and minimum continuous excitation may be given instead where more than 95% of the total **Demand** at a **Connection Point** is taken by synchronous motors) to be met at each **Connection Point** within each **Access Group** is required for:

1. the time of the maximum **Demand** (**Active Power**) at the **Connection Point** (as determined by the **User**) that in the **User's** opinion could reasonably be imposed on the **National Electricity Transmission System**;
2. the time of peak **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** as provided by

**The Company** under PC.A.4.2.2;

1. the time of minimum **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** as provided by **The Company** under PC.A.4.2.2;
2. the time of the maximum **Demand** (**Apparent Power**) at the **Connection Point** (as determined by the **User**) during the **Access Period** of each **Transmission Interface Circuit**;
3. at a time specified by either **The Company** or a **User** insofar as such a request is reasonable.

Instead of such forecast **Demand** to be met at each **Connection Point** within each **Access Group** the **User** may (subject to PC.A.4.3.4) submit such **Demand** at each node on the **Single Line Diagram**.

In addition, the **Demand** in respect of each of the time periods referred to in PC.A.4.3.1 (a) to

(e) in the preceding **Financial Year** in respect of each **Connection Point** within each **Access Group** both outturn and weather corrected shall be supplied. The “weather correction” shall normalise outturn figures to **Annual ACS Conditions** for times that occur during calendar week 44 through to calendar week 12 (inclusive) or **Average Conditions** for the period calendar weeks 13 to calendar week 43 (inclusive) and shall be performed by the relevant **User** on a best endeavours basis.

The submission by a **User** pursuant to PC.A.4.3.1 (d) shall commence in 2011 and shall then continue each year thereafter.

PC.A.4.3.2 All forecast **Demand** specified in PC.A.4.3.1 shall:

1. be that remaining after any deductions reasonably considered appropriate by the **User** to take account of the output of all **Embedded Small Power Stations** and **Embedded Medium Power Stations** and **Customer Generating Plant** and imports across **Embedded External Interconnections**, including **Embedded** installations of direct current converters which do not form a **DC Converter Station**, **HVDC System** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** and such deductions should be separately stated;
2. include any **User's System** series reactive losses but exclude any reactive compensation equipment specified in PC.A.2.4 and exclude any network susceptance specified in PC.A.2.3;
3. be based upon **Annual ACS Conditions** for times that occur during calendar week 44 through to calendar week 12 (inclusive) and based on **Average Conditions** for calendar weeks 13 to calendar week 43 (inclusive), both corrections being made on a best endeavours basis;
4. reflect the **User’s** opinion of what could reasonably be imposed on the **National Electricity Transmission System**.

PC.A.4.3.3 The date and time of the forecast maximum **Demand** (**Apparent Power**) at the **Connection Point** as specified in PC.A.4.3.1 (a) and (d) is required.

PC.A.4.3.4 Each **Single Line Diagram** provided under PC.A.2.2.2 shall include the **Demand** (**Active Power**) and **Power Factor** (values of the **Power Factor** at maximum and minimum continuous excitation may be given instead where more than 95% of the **Demand** is taken by synchronous motors) at the time of the peak **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** (as provided under PC.A.4.2.2) at each node on the **Single Line Diagram**. These **Demands** shall be consistent with those provided under PC.A.4.3.1(b) above for the relevant year.

PC.A.4.3.5 The **Single Line Diagram** must represent the **User’s User System** layout under the period specified in PC.A.4.3.1(b) (at the time of peak **National Electricity Transmission System Demand**). Should the **User’s User System** layout during the other times specified in PC.A.4.3.1 be planned to be materially different from the **Single Line Diagram** submitted to **The Company** pursuant to PC.A.2.2.1 the **User** shall in respect of such other times submit:

* 1. an alternative **Single Line Diagram** that accurately reflects the revised layout and in such case shall also include appropriate associated data representing the relevant changes, or;
  2. submit an accurate and unambiguous description of the changes to the **Single Line Diagram** previously submitted for the time of peak **National Electricity Transmission System Demand**.

Where a **User** does not submit any changes, **The Company** will assume that the **Single Line Diagram** (and associated circuit and node data) provided at the time of peak **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** will be valid for all other times. In respect of such other times, where the **User** does not submit such nodal demands at the times defined in PC.A.4.3.1(a), (c), (d) and (e), the nodal demands will be pro-rata, to be consistent with the submitted **Connection Point Demands**.

PC.A.4.4 **The Company** will assemble and derive in a reasonable manner, the forecast information supplied to it under PC.A.4.2.1, PC.A.4.3.1, PC.A.4.3.4 and PC.A.4.3.5 above into a cohesive forecast and will use this in preparing **Forecast Demand** information in the **Seven Year Statement** and for use in **The Company's Operational Planning**. If any **User** believes that the cohesive forecast **Demand** information in the **Seven Year Statement** does not reflect its assumptions on **Demand**, it should contact **The Company** to explain its concerns and may require **The Company**, on reasonable request, to discuss these forecasts. In the absence of such expressions, **The Company** will assume that **Users** concur with **The Company's** cohesive forecast.

PC.A.4.5 Post Fault User System Layout

PC.A.4.5.1 Where for the purposes of **The Company** assessing against the Licence Standards an **Access Group**, the **User** reasonably considers it appropriate that revised post fault **User System** layouts should be taken into account by **The Company**, the following information is required to be submitted by the **User**:

1. the specified **Connection Point** assessment period (PC.A.4.3.1,(a)-(e)) that is being evaluated;
2. an accurate and unambiguous description of the **Transmission Interface Circuits**

considered to be switched out due to a fault;

1. appropriate revised **Single Line Diagrams** and/or associated revised nodal **Demand** and circuit data detailing the revised **User System(s)** conditions;
2. where the **User’s** planned post fault action consists of more than one component, each component must be explicitly identified using the **Single Line Diagram** and associated nodal **Demand** and circuit data;
3. the arrangements for undertaking actions (eg the time taken, automatic or manual and any other appropriate information);.

The **User** must not submit any action that it does not have the capability or the intention to implement during the assessment period specified (subject to there being no further unplanned outages on the **User’s User System**).

PC.A.4.6 Control of Demand or Reduction of Pumping Load Offered as Reserve

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Magnitude of **Demand** or pumping load or **Electricty Storage**  **Module** charging load which is tripped | MW |
| **System Frequency** at which tripping is initiated | Hz |
| Time duration of **System Frequency** below trip setting for tripping  to be initiated | S |
| Time delay from trip initiation to tripping | S |

PC.A.4.7 General Demand Data

PC.A.4.7.1 The following information is infrequently required and should be supplied (wherever possible) when requested by **The Company**:

* 1. details of any individual loads (including (as applicable) the load behaviour of an **Electricity Storage Module** when operating in a mode analogous to demand) which have characteristics significantly different from the typical range of Domestic, Commercial

, **Electricity Storage** or Industrial loads supplied;

* 1. the sensitivity of the **Demand** (**Active** and **Reactive Power**) to variations in voltage and **Frequency** on the **National Electricity Transmission System** at the time of the peak **Demand** (**Active Power**). The sensitivity factors quoted for the **Demand** (**Reactive Power**) should relate to that given under PC.A.4.3.1 and, therefore, include any **User's System** series reactive losses but exclude any reactive compensation equipment specified in PC.A.2.4 and exclude any network susceptance specified in PC.A.2.3;
  2. details of any traction loads, e.g. connection phase pairs and continuous load variation with time;
  3. the average and maximum phase unbalance, in magnitude and phase angle, which the **User** would expect its **Demand** to impose on the **National Electricity Transmission System**;
  4. the maximum harmonic content which the **User** would expect its **Demand** to impose on the **National Electricity Transmission System**;
  5. details of all loads which may cause **Demand** fluctuations greater than those permitted under **Engineering Recommendation** P28 Issue 2, Stage 1 at a **Point of Common Coupling** including the **Flicker Severity Short Term** and the **Flicker Severity Long Term**.
  6. In the case of **Electricity Storage Modules**, details of the **Maximum Capacity, Maximum Import Power, Registered Import Capability**, charge time, discharge time and operating periods.

# PART 2 - DETAILED PLANNING DATA

### PC.A.5 POWER GENERATING MODULE, GENERATING UNIT, POWER PARK MODULE (INCLUDING DC CONNECTED POWER PARK MODULES), DC CONVERTER, HVDC EQUIPMENT AND OTSDUW PLANT AND APPARATUS DATA

PC.A.5.1 Introduction Directly Connected

PC.A.5.1.1 Each **Generator** (including those undertaking **OTSDUW**), with existing or proposed **Power Stations** directly connected, or to be directly connected, to the **National Electricity Transmission System**, shall provide **The Company** with data relating to that **Plant** and **Apparatus**, both current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.5.2, PC.A.5.3, PC.A.5.4 and PC.A.5.7 as applicable.

Each **DC Converter Station** owner or **HVDC System Owner**, with existing or proposed **DC Converter Stations** or **HVDC Systems** (including **Generators** undertaking **OTSDUW** which includes an **OTSDUW DC Converter**) directly connected, or to be directly connected, to the **National Electricity Transmission System**, shall provide **The Company** with data relating to that **Plant** and **Apparatus**, both current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.5.2 and PC.A.5.4.

**GB Generators**, **DC Converter Station** owners, **EU Generators** and **HVDC System Owners** shall ensure that the models supplied in respect of their **Plant** and **Apparatus** provide a true and accurate behaviour of the plant as built as required under PC.A.5.3.2(c), PC.A.5.4.2(a) and PC.A.5.4.3 and verified through the **Compliance Processes (CP)** or **European Compliance Processes** (**ECP**) as applicable.

Embedded

PC.A.5.1.2 Each **Generator**, in respect of its existing, or proposed, **Embedded Large Power Stations** and its **Embedded Medium Power Stations** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and each **Network Operator** in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** within its **System** shall provide **The Company** with data relating to each of those **Large Power Stations** and **Medium Power Stations**, both current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.5.2, PC.A.5.3, PC.A.5.4 and PC.A.5.7 as applicable.

Each **DC Converter Station** owner or **HVDC System Owner**, or **Network Operator** in the case of an **Embedded DC Converter Station** or **Embedded HVDC System** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** within its **System** with existing or proposed **HVDC Systems** or **DC Converter Stations** shall provide **The Company** with data relating to each of those **HVDC Systems** or **DC Converter Stations**, both current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.5.2 and PC.A.5.4.

However, no data need be supplied in relation to those **Embedded Medium Power Stations** or **Embedded DC Converter Stations** or **Embedded HVDC Systems** if they are connected at a voltage level below the voltage level of the **Subtransmission System** except in connection with an application for, or under a, **CUSC Contract** or unless specifically requested by **The Company** under PC.A.5.1.4.

**GB Generators**, **DC Converter Station** owners, **EU Generators** and **HVDC System Owners** shall ensure that the models supplied in respect of their **Plant** and **Apparatus** provide a true and accurate behaviour of the plant as built as required under PC.A.5.3.2(c), PC.A.5.4.2(a) and PC.A.5.4.3 and verified through the **Compliance Processes (CP)** or **European Compliance Processes** (**ECP**) as applicable

PC.A.5.1.3 Each **Network Operator** need not submit **Planning Data** in respect of **Embedded Small Power Stations** unless required to do so under PC.A.1.2(b), PC.A.3.1.4 or unless specifically requested under PC.A.5.1.4 below, in which case they will supply such data.

PC.A.5.1.4 PC.A.4.2.4(b) and PC.A.4.3.2(a) explained that the forecast **Demand** submitted by each **Network Operator** must be net of the output of all **Medium Power Stations** and **Small Power Stations** and **Customer Generating Plant Embedded** within that **User's System**. In such cases, the **Network Operator** must provide **The Company** with the relevant information specified under PC.A.3.1.4 . On receipt of this data further details may be required at **The Company's** discretion as follows:

* + 1. in the case of details required from the **Network Operator** for **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded Small Power Stations** and **Embedded DC Converters** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** in each case within such **Network Operator’s System** and **Customer Generating Plant**; and
    2. in the case of details required from the **Generator** of **Embedded Large Power Stations**

and **Embedded Medium Power Stations** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**; and

* + 1. in the case of details required from the **DC Converter Station** owner of an **Embedded DC Converter** or **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System Owner** of an **Embedded HVDC System Owner** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**.

both current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.5.2 and PC.A.5.3. Such requirement would arise when **The Company** reasonably considers that the collective effect of a number of such **Embedded Small Power Stations**, **Embedded Medium Power Stations**, **Embedded DC Converter Stations**, **Embedded HVDC Systems**, **DC Converters** and **Customer Generating Plants** may have a significant system effect on the **National Electricity Transmission System**.

PC.A.5.1.5 DPD I and DPD II

The **Detailed Planning Data** described in this Part 2 of the Appendix comprises both **DPD I** and **DPD II**. The required data is listed and collated in the **Data Registration Code**. The **Users** need to refer to the **DRC** to establish whether data referred to here is **DPD I** or **DPD II**.

PC.A.5.2 Demand

PC.A.5.2.1 For each **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module)** which has an associated **Unit Transformer**, the value of the **Demand** supplied through this **Unit Transformer** when the **Generating Unit** is at **Rated MW** output is to be provided.

PC.A.5.2.2 Where the **Power Station** or **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** has associated **Demand** additional to the unit-supplied **Demand** of PC.A.5.2.1 which is supplied from either the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the **Generator's User System** the **Generator**, **DC Converter Station** owner, **HVDC System Owner** or the **Network Operator** (in the case of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** within its **System**), as the case may be, shall supply forecasts for each **Power Station** or **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** of:

* + - 1. the maximum **Demand** that, in the **User's** opinion, could reasonably be imposed on the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the **Generator's User System** as appropriate;
      2. the **Demand** at the time of the peak **National Electricity Transmission System Demand**
      3. the **Demand** at the time of minimum **National Electricity Transmission System Demand**.

PC.A.5.2.3 No later than calendar week 17 each year **The Company** shall notify each **Generator** in respect of its **Large Power Stations** and its **Medium Power Stations** and each **DC Converter** owner in respect of its **DC Converter Station** and each **HVDC System Owner** in respect of its **HVDC System** subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and each **Network Operator** in respect of each **Embedded Medium Power Station** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and each **Embedded DC Converter Station** or **Embedded HVDC System** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** within such **Network Operator’s System** in writing of the following, for the current **Financial Year** and for each of the following seven **Financial Years**, which will be regarded as the relevant specified days and times under PC.A.5.2.2:

* + 1. the date and time of the annual peak of the **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** at **Annual ACS Conditions**;
    2. the date and time of the annual minimum of the **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** at **Average Conditions**.

PC.A.5.2.4 At its discretion, **The Company** may also request further details of the **Demand** as specified in PC.A.4.6

PC.A.5.2.5 In the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** the following data shall be supplied:

1. The maximum **Demand** that could occur at the **Interface Point** and each **Connection Point** (in MW and MVAr);
2. **Demand** at specified time of annual peak half hour of **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** at **Annual ACS Conditions** (in MW and MVAr); and
3. **Demand** at specified time of annual minimum half-hour of **National Electricity Transmission System Demand** (in MW and MVAr).

For the avoidance of doubt, **Demand** data associated with **Generators** undertaking **OTSDUW**

which utilise an **OTSDUW DC Converter** should supply data under PC.A.4.

PC.A.5.3 Synchronous Power Generating Modules, Synchronous Generating Unit and Associated Control System Data

PC.A.5.3.1 The data submitted below are not intended to constrain any **Ancillary Services Agreement**

PC.A.5.3.2 The following **Synchronous Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) and **Power Station** data should be supplied:

1. **Synchronous Generating Unit** Parameters Rated terminal volts (kV)

Maximum terminal voltage set point (kV)

Terminal voltage set point step resolution – if not continuous (kV)

* + Rated MVA

## Rated MW

* + Minimum Generation MW
  + Short circuit ratio

Direct axis synchronous reactance

* + Direct axis transient reactance Direct axis sub-transient reactance

Direct axis short-circuit transient time constant Direct axis short-circuit sub-transient time constant Quadrature axis synchronous reactance

Quadrature axis sub-transient reactance

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Quadrature axis short-circuit sub-transient time constant. Stator time constant

Stator leakage reactance

Armature winding direct-current resistance.

Note: The above data item relating to armature winding direct-current resistance need only be supplied with respect to **Generating Units** commissioned after 1st March 1996 and in cases where, for whatever reason, the **Generator** or the **Network Operator**, as the case may be is aware of the value of the relevant parameter.

\* Turbogenerator inertia constant (MWsec/MVA)

Rated field current (amps) at **Rated MW** and MVAr output and at rated terminal voltage.

Field current (amps) open circuit saturation curve for **Generating Unit** terminal voltages ranging from 50% to 120% of rated value in 10% steps as derived from appropriate manufacturers test certificates.

1. Parameters for **Generating Unit** Step-up Transformers
   * Rated MVA Voltage ratio
   * Positive sequence reactance (at max, min, & nominal tap) Positive sequence resistance (at max, min, & nominal tap) Zero phase sequence reactance

Tap changer range Tap changer step size

Tap changer type: on load or off circuit

1. Excitation Control System parameters

Note: The data items requested under Option 1 below may continue to be provided in relation to **Generating Units** connected to the **System** at 09 January 1995 (in this paragraph, the "relevant date") or the new data items set out under Option 2 may be provided. **Generators** or **Network Operators**, as the case may be, must supply the data as set out under Option 2 (and not those under Option 1) for **Generating Unit** excitation control systems commissioned after the relevant date, those **Generating Unit** excitation control systems recommissioned for any reason such as refurbishment after the relevant date and **Generating Unit** excitation control systems where, as a result of testing or other process, the **Generator** or **Network Operator**, as the case may be, is aware of the data items listed under Option 2 in relation to that **Generating Unit**.

For any excitation control systems associated with a **Generating Unit** or **Synchronous Power Generating Module** with a **Completion Date** after 1 September 2022 and any **Generating Unit** or **Synchronous Power Generating Module** excitation control systems subject to a control system change or **Modification** after 1 September 2022, the **Generator** should supply the control system model in accordance with PC.A.9. For the avoidance of doubt, excitation control system models as detailed in PC.A.9 maybe submitted for any **Generating Unit** regardless of **Completion Date** as an alternative to block diagrams detailed below. The control system model of the **Excitation System** shall include but not limited to, the **PSS** if fitted, **Over-excitation Limiter**, **Under-excitation Limiter** and should have been verified as far as reasonably practicable by simulation studies as representing the expected behaviour of the control system. Additionally the data items listed under Option 2 below are also required.

Option 1

DC gain of Excitation Loop Rated field voltage Maximum field voltage Minimum field voltage

Maximum rate of change of field voltage (rising) Maximum rate of change of field voltage (falling)

Details of Excitation Loop described in block diagram form showing transfer functions of individual elements.

Dynamic characteristics of **Over-excitation Limiter**

Dynamic characteristics of **Under-excitation Limiter**

Option 2

**Excitation System Nominal Response Rated Field Voltage**

**No-Load Field Voltage**

**Excitation System On-Load Positive Ceiling Voltage Excitation System No-Load Positive Ceiling Voltage Excitation System No-Load Negative Ceiling Voltage**

Stator Current Limiter (applicable only to **Synchronous Power Generating Modules**)

Details of **Excitation System** (including **PSS** if fitted) described in block diagram form showing transfer functions of individual elements.

Details of **Over-excitation Limiter** described in block diagram form showing transfer functions of individual elements.

Details of **Under-excitation Limiter** described in block diagram form showing transfer functions of individual elements.

The block diagrams submitted after 1 January 2009 in respect of the **Excitation System** (including the **Over-excitation Limiter** and the **Under-excitation Limiter**) for **Generating Units** with a **Completion date** after 1 January 2009 or subject to a **Modification** to the **Excitation System** after 1 January 2009, should have been verified as far as reasonably practicable by simulation studies as representing the expected behaviour of the system.

1. Governor Parameters

Incremental **Droop** values (in %) are required for each **Generating Unit** at six MW loading points (MLP1 to MLP6) as detailed in PC.A.5.5.1 (this data item needs only be provided for **Large Power Stations**).

Note: The data items requested under Option 1 below may continue to be provided by **Generators** in relation to **Generating Units** on the **System** at 09 January 1995 (in this paragraph, the "relevant date") or they may provide the new data items set out under Option 2. **Generators** must supply the data as set out under Option 2 (and not those under Option 1) for **Generating Unit** governor control systems commissioned after the relevant date, those **Generating Unit** governor control systems recommissioned for any reason such as refurbishment after the relevant date and **Generating Unit** governor control systems where, as a result of testing or other process, the **Generator** is aware of the data items listed under Option 2 in relation to that **Generating Unit**. **EU Generators** are also required to submit the data as set out in option 2. Additional data required from **EU Generators** which own or operate **Type C** or **Type D Power Generating Modules** are marked in brackets with an asterisk (eg (\*)). For the avoidance of doubt, items marked as (\*) need not be supplied by **GB Generators**.

For any governor control systems associated with a **Generating Unit** or **Synchronous Power Generating Module** with a **Completion Date** after 1 September 2022 and any **Generating Unit** or **Synchronous Power Generating Module** governor control systems subject to a control system change or **Modification** after 1 September 2022, the **Generator** should supply the control system model in accordance with PC.A.9. For the avoidance of doubt, governor control system models as detailed in PC.A.9 maybe submitted for any **Generating Unit** regardless of **Completion Date** as an alternative to governor block diagrams. The control system model shall include but not limited to, the governor and prime mover dynamics such as steam flow, boiler, water flow which could impact on representation of the requirements required by the Grid Code. Additional the data items listed under Option 2 are also required.

Option 1

1. Governor Parameters (for Reheat **Steam Units**) HP governor average gain MW/Hz Speeder motor setting range

HP governor valve time constant HP governor valve opening limits HP governor valve rate limits

Reheater time constant (**Active Energy** stored in reheater)

IP governor average gain MW/Hz IP governor setting range

IP governor valve time constant IP governor valve opening limits IP governor valve rate limits

Details of acceleration sensitive elements in HP & IP governor loop.

A governor block diagram showing transfer functions of individual elements.

1. Governor Parameters (for Non-Reheat **Steam Units** and **Gas Turbine Units**) Governor average gain

Speeder motor setting range

Time constant of steam or fuel governor valve Governor valve opening limits

Governor valve rate limits

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Time constant of turbine Governor block diagram

The following data items need only be supplied for **Large Power Stations**:

1. Boiler & Steam Turbine Data

Boiler Time Constant (Stored **Active Energy**) s HP turbine response ratio:

proportion of **Primary Response** arising from HP turbine % HP turbine response ratio:

proportion of High Frequency Response arising from HP turbine % [End of Option 1]

Option 2

1. Governor and associated prime mover Parameters - All **Generating Units** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**)

Governor Block Diagram showing transfer function of individual elements including acceleration sensitive elements.

Governor Time Constant (in seconds) **Speeder Motor Setting Range** (%) Average Gain (MW/Hz)

**Governor Deadband** need only be provided for **Large Power Stations** owned and operated by **GB Generators** (and both **Frequency Response Deadband** and **Frequency Response Insensitivity** should be supplied in respect of **Type C** and **D Power Generating Modules** within **Large Power Stations** and **Medium Power Stations** excluding **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**\*) owned and oprated by **EU Code Generators**.

* Maximum Setting Hz
* Normal Setting Hz
* Minimum Setting Hz

Where the **Generating Unit** governor does not have a selectable **Governor Deadband** (or **Frequency Response Deadband** and **Frequency Response Insensitivity**)\* facility as specified above, then the actual value of the **Governor Deadband** or (**Frequency Response Deadband** and **Frequency Response Insensitivity**)\* need only be provided.

The block diagrams submitted after 1 January 2009 in respect of the governor system for **Generating Units** with a **Completion date** after 1 January 2009 or subject to a **Modification** to the governor system after 1 January 2009, should have been verified as far as reasonably practicable by simulation studies as representing the expected behaviour of the system.

1. Governor and associated prime mover Parameters - **Steam Units**

HP Valve Time Constant (in seconds) HP Valve Opening Limits (%)

HP Valve Opening Rate Limits (%/second)

HP Valve Closing Rate Limits (%/second) HP Turbine Time Constant (in seconds)

IP Valve Time Constant (in seconds) IP Valve Opening Limits (%)

IP Valve Opening Rate Limits (%/second) IP Valve Closing Rate Limits (%/second) IP Turbine Time Constant (in seconds)

LP Valve Time Constant (in seconds) LP Valve Opening Limits (%)

LP Valve Opening Rate Limits (%/second) LP Valve Closing Rate Limits (%/second) LP Turbine Time Constant (in seconds) Reheater Time Constant (in seconds) Boiler Time Constant (in seconds)

HP Power Fraction (%) IP Power Fraction (%)

1. Governor and associated prime mover Parameters - **Gas Turbine Units**

Inlet Guide Vane Time Constant (in seconds) Inlet Guide Vane Opening Limits (%)

Inlet Guide Vane Opening Rate Limits (%/second) Inlet Guide Vane Closing Rate Limits (%/second) Fuel Valve Constant (in seconds)

Fuel Valve Opening Limits (%)

Fuel Valve Opening Rate Limits (%/second) Fuel Valve Closing Rate Limits (%/second)

Waste Heat Recovery Boiler Time Constant (in seconds)

1. Governor and associated prime mover Parameters - Hydro Generating Units Guide Vane Actuator Time Constant (in seconds)

Guide Vane Opening Limits (%)

Guide Vane Opening Rate Limits (%/second) Guide Vane Closing Rate Limits (%/second) Water Time Constant (in seconds)

1. Governor Parameters – Synchronous Electricity Storage Units

For **Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules** which are derived from compressed air energy storage systems, the following data should be provided. For other **Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules**, data should be supplied as required by **The Company** in accordance with PC.A.7

Valve Actuator Time Constant (in seconds)

Valve Opening Limits (%)

Valve Opening Rate Limits (%/second) Valve Closing Rate Limits (%/second)

[End of Option 2]

1. Unit Control Options

The following data items need only be supplied with respect to **Large Power Stations**: Maximum **Droop** %

Normal **Droop** %

Minimum **Droop** %

Maximum **Governor Deadband** or (maximum **Frequency Response Deadband**

and maximum **Frequency Response Insensitivity**\*) Hz

Normal **Governor Deadband** or (normal **Frequency Response Deadband** and normal **Frequency Response Insensitivity**\*) Hz

Minimum **Governor Deadba**nd or (minimum **Frequency Response Deadband** and minimum **Frequency Response Insensitivity**\*) Hz

Maximum output **Governor Deadband** (or maximum output **Frequency Response Deadband** and maximum **Frequency Response Insensitivity**\*) MW

Normal output **Governor Deadband** (or normal output **Frequency Response Deadband** and normal output **Frequency Response Insensitivity**\*) MW

Minimum output **Governor Deadband** or (minimum output **Frequency Response Deadband** and minimum output **Frequency Response Insensitivity**\*) MW

**Frequency** settings between which Unit Load Controller **Droop** applies:

* Maximum Hz
* Normal Hz
* Minimum Hz

State if sustained response is normally selected.

(\* **GB Generators** which are not required to satisfy the requirements of the **European Connection Conditions** are not required to supply **Frequency Response Insensitivity** or **Frequency Response Deadband** data but should instead supply **Governor Deadband** data). For the avoidance of doubt, **EU Code Generators** in respect of **Type C** and **Type D Power Generating Modules** are required to supply **Frequency Response Deadband** and **Frequency Response Insensitity** data).

1. Plant Flexibility Performance

The following data items need only be supplied with respect to **Large Power Stations**, and should be provided with respect to each **Genset**:

# Run-up rate to **Registered Capacity**,

# Run-down rate from **Registered Capacity**, # **Synchronising Generation**,

Regulating range

Load rejection capability while still **Synchronised** and able to supply **Load**.

Data items marked with a hash (#) should be applicable to a **Genset** which has been

**Shutdown** for 48 hours.

\* Data items marked with an asterisk are already requested under partx1, PC.A.3.3.1, to facilitate an early assessment by **The Company** as to whether detailed stability studies will be required before an offer of terms for a **CUSC Contract** can be made. Such data items have been repeated here merely for completeness and need not, of course, be resubmitted unless their values, known or estimated, have changed.

1. Generating Unit Mechanical Parameters

It is occasionally necessary for **The Company** to assess the interaction between the **Total System** and the mechanical components of **Generating Units**. For **Generating Units** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) with a **Completion Date** on or after 01 April 2015,

or;

with a **Completion Date** before 01 April 2015 when requested by **The Company** in accordance with good industry practice and without undue delay,

the following data items should be supplied:

The number of turbine generator masses.

Diagram showing the Inertia and parameters for each turbine generator mass (kgm2) and Stiffness constants and parameters between each turbine generator mass for the complete drive train (Nm/rad).

Number of poles.

Relative power applied to different parts of the turbine (%). Torsional mode frequencies (Hz).

Modal damping decrement factors for the different mechanical modes.

PC.A.5.4 Power Park Module, Non-Synchronous Generating Unit and Associated Control System Data PC.A.5.4.1 The data submitted below are not intended to constrain any **Ancillary Services Agreement**

PC.A.5.4.2 The following **Power Park Unit**, **Power Park Module** and **Power Station** data should be supplied in the case of a **Power Park Module** not connected to the **Total System** by a **DC Converter** or **HVDC System** (and in the case of PC.A.5.4.2(f) any **OTSUA**):

Where a **Manufacturer’s Data & Performance Report** exists in respect of the model of the **Power Park Unit**, the **User** may subject to **The Company’s** agreement, opt to reference the **Manufacturer’s Data & Performance Report** as an alternative to the provision of data in accordance with PC.A.5.4.2 except for:

1. the section marked thus # at sub paragraph (b); and
2. all of the harmonic and flicker parameters required under sub paragraph (h); and
3. all of the site specific model parameters relating to the voltage or frequency control systems required under sub paragraphs (d) and (e),

which must be provided by the **User** in addition to the **Manufacturer’s Data & Performance Report** reference.

* 1. **Power Park Unit** model

A mathematical model of each type of **Power Park Unit** (including **Electricity Storage Units**) capable of representing its transient and dynamic behaviour under both small and large disturbance conditions. The model shall include non-linear effects and represent all equipment relevant to the dynamic performance of the **Power Park Unit** as agreed with **The Company**. The model shall be suitable for the study of balanced, root mean square, positive phase sequence time-domain behaviour, excluding the effects of electromagnetic transients, harmonic and sub-harmonic frequencies.

The model shall accurately represent the overall performance of the **Power Park Unit** over its entire operating range including that which is inherent to the **Power Park Unit** and that which is achieved by use of supplementary control systems providing either continuous or stepwise control. Model resolution should be sufficient to accurately represent **Power Park Unit** behaviour both in response to operation of **Transmission System** protection and in the context of longer-term simulations.

The overall structure of the model shall include:

1. any supplementary control signal modules not covered by (c), (d) and (e) below.
2. any blocking, deblocking and protective trip features that are part of the **Power Park Unit**

(e.g. “crowbar”).

1. any other information required to model the **Power Park Unit** behaviour to meet the model functional requirement described above.

The model shall be submitted in the form of a transfer function block diagram and may be accompanied by dynamic and algebraic equations.

This model shall display all the transfer functions and their parameter values, any non wind- up logic, signal limits and non-linearities.

The submitted **Power Park Unit** model and the supplementary control signal module models covered by (c), (d) and (e) below shall have been validated and this shall be confirmed by the **Generator**. The validation shall be based on comparing the submitted model simulation results against measured test results. Validation evidence shall also be submitted and this shall include the simulation and measured test results. The latter shall include appropriate short- circuit tests. In the case of an **Embedded Medium Power Station** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** the **Network Operator** will provide **The Company** with the validation evidence if requested by **The Company**. The validation of the supplementary control signal module models covered by (c), (d) and (e) below applies only to a **Power Park Module** with a **Completion Date** after 1 January 2009 or **Power Park Modules** within a **Power Generating Module**.

* 1. **Power Park Unit** parameters
     + Rated MVA

## Rated MW

* + - Rated terminal voltage
    - Average site air density (kg/m3), maximum site air density (kg/m3) and minimum site air density (kg/m3) for the year (as applicable)

Year for which the air density is submitted (as applicable) Number of pole pairs (as applicable)

Blade swept area (m2) (as applicable) Gear box ratio (as applicable) Mechanical drive train (as applicable)

For each **Power Park Unit**, details of the parameters of the drive train (as applicable) represented as an equivalent two mass model should be provided. This model should accurately represent the behaviour of the complete drive train for the purposes of power system analysis studies and should include the following data items:-

Equivalent inertia constant (MWsec/MVA) of the first mass (e.g. wind turbine rotor and blades) at minimum, synchronous and rated speeds

Equivalent inertia constant (MWsec/MVA) of the second mass (e.g. generator rotor) at minimum, synchronous and rated speeds

Equivalent shaft stiffness between the two masses (Nm/electrical radian)

Additionally, for **Power Park Units** that are induction generators (e.g. squirrel cage, doubly-fed) driven by wind turbines:

* Stator resistance
* Stator reactance
* Magnetising reactance.
* Rotor resistance.(at starting)
* Rotor resistance.(at rated running)
* Rotor reactance (at starting)
* Rotor reactance (at rated running) Additionally for doubly-fed induction generators only:

The generator rotor speed range (minimum and maximum speeds in RPM)

The optimum generator rotor speed versus wind speed submitted in tabular format

Power converter rating (MVA)

The rotor power coefficient (Cp) versus tip speed ratio () curves for a range of blade angles (where applicable) together with the corresponding values submitted in tabular format. The tip speed ratio () is defined as R/U where  is the angular velocity of the rotor, R is the radius of the wind turbine rotor and U is the wind speed.

The electrical power output versus generator rotor speed for a range of wind speeds over the entire operating range of the **Power Park Unit**, together with the corresponding values submitted in tabular format.

The blade angle versus wind speed curve together with the corresponding values submitted in tabular format.

The electrical power output versus wind speed over the entire operating range of the **Power Park Unit**, together with the corresponding values submitted in tabular format.

Transfer function block diagram, including parameters and description of the operation of the power electronic converter and fault ride through capability (where applicable). For any **Power Park Unit**s in a **Power Park Module** with a **Completion Date** after 1 September 2022 and any **Power Park Units** subject to a control system change or **Modification** after 1 September 2022 control system models in accordance with PC.A.9 should be supplied. For the avoidance of doubt, a **User** may submit control system models as detailed in PC.A.9 for any **Power Park Unit** regardless of **Power Park Module Completion Date** as an alternative to this paragraph.

For a **Power Park Unit** consisting of a synchronous machine in combination with a back to back **DC Converter** or **HVDC System**, or for a **Power Park Unit** not driven by a wind turbine, the data to be supplied shall be agreed with **The Company** in accordance with PC.A.7.

* 1. Torque / speed and blade angle control systems and parameters

For the type of **Power Park Unit** (as applicable), details of the torque / speed controller and blade angle controller in the case of a wind turbine and power limitation functions (where applicable) described in block diagram form showing transfer functions and parameters of individual elements.

* 1. Voltage/**Reactive Power**/**Power Factor** control system parameters

For the **Power Park Unit** and **Power Park Module** details of voltage/**Reactive Power**/**Power Factor** controller (and **PSS** if fitted) described in block diagram form showing transfer functions and parameters of individual elements.

* 1. **Frequency** control system parameters

For the **Power Park Unit** and **Power Park Module** details of the **Frequency** controller described in block diagram form showing transfer functions and parameters of individual elements.

## Protection

Details of settings for the following **Protection** relays (to include): Under **Frequency**, over **Frequency**, under voltage, over voltage, rotor over current, stator over current, high wind speed shut down level.

* 1. Complete **Power Park Unit** model, parameters and controls

1. For any **Power Park Unit**s in a **Power Park Module** with a **Completion Date** after 1 September 2022 and any **Power Park Units** and/or **Power Park Module(s)** subject to a control system change or **Modification** after 1 September 2022, control system models in accordance with PC.A.9 should be supplied covering the full information required under PC.A.5.4.2 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).
2. For any **Power Park Units** in a **Power Park Module** with a **Completion Date** before 1 September 2022 as an alternative to PC.A.5.4.2 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f), is the submission of a single complete model that consists of the full information required under PC.A.5.4.2 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) provided that all the information required under PC.A.5.4.2 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) individually is clearly identifiable. For the avoidance of doubt, a **User** may submit control system models as detailed in PC.A.9 for any **Power Park Unit** or **Power Park Module** regardless of **Completion Date** as an alternative to this clause.
   1. Harmonic and flicker parameters

When connecting a **Power Park Module**, it is necessary for **The Company** to evaluate the production of flicker and harmonics on the **National Electricity Transmission System** and **User's Systems**. At **The Company's** reasonable request, the **User** (a **Network Operator** in the case of an **Embedded Power Park Module** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**) is required to submit the following data (as defined in IEC 61400- 21 (2001)) for each **Power Park Unit**:-

Flicker coefficient for continuous operation. Flicker step factor.

Number of switching operations in a 10 minute window. Number of switching operations in a 2 hour window.

Voltage change factor.

Current Injection at each harmonic for each **Power Park Unit** and for each **Power Park Module**.

\* Data items marked with an asterisk are already requested under part 1, PC.A.3.3.1, to facilitate an early assessment by **The Company** as to whether detailed stability studies will be required before an offer of terms for a **CUSC Contract** can be made. Such data items have been repeated here merely for completeness and need not, of course, be resubmitted unless their values, known or estimated, have changed.

PC.A.5.4.3 DC Converter and HVDC Systems

PC.A.5.4.3.1 For a **DC Converter** at a **DC Converter Station** or an **HVDC System** connected to the **Total System** by a **DC Converter** or **HVDC System** (or in the case of **OTSUA** which includes an **OTSDUW DC Converter**) the following information for each **DC Converter**, **HVDC System** and **DC Network** should be supplied:

1. **DC Converter** and **HVDC System** parameters
   * **Rated MW** per pole for transfer in each direction;
   * **DC Converter** type (i.e. current or voltage source (including a **HVDC Converter** in an **HVDC System**));
   * Number of poles and pole arrangement;
   * Rated DC voltage/pole (kV);
   * Return path arrangement;
2. **DC Converter** and **HVDC System** transformer parameters Rated MVA

Nominal primary voltage (kV);

Nominal secondary (converter-side) voltage(s) (kV); Winding and earthing arrangement;

Positive phase sequence reactance at minimum, maximum and nominal tap; Positive phase sequence resistance at minimum, maximum and nominal tap; Zero phase sequence reactance;

Tap-changer range in %; number of tap-changer steps;

1. **DC Network** parameters

Rated DC voltage per pole; Rated DC current per pole;

Single line diagram of the complete **DC Network** and **HVDC System**;

Details of the complete **DC Network**, including resistance, inductance and capacitance of all DC cables and/or DC lines and **HVDC System**;

Details of any DC reactors (including DC reactor resistance), DC capacitors and/or DC-side filters that form part of the **DC Network** and/or **HVDC System**;

1. AC filter reactive compensation equipment parameters

Note: The data provided pursuant to this paragraph must not include any contribution from reactive compensation plant.

Total number of AC filter banks.

Type of equipment (e.g. fixed or variable)

Single line diagram of filter arrangement and connections;

**Reactive Power** rating for each AC filter bank, capacitor bank or operating range of each item of reactive compensation equipment, at rated voltage;

Performance chart showing **Reactive Power** capability of the **DC Converter** and **HVDC System**, as a function of MW transfer, with all filters and reactive compensation plant, belonging to the **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** working correctly.

Note: Details in PC.A.5.4.3.1 are required for each **DC Converter** connected to the **DC Network** and **HVDC System**, unless each is identical or where the data has already been submitted for an identical **DC Converter** or **HVDC System** at another **Connection Point**.

Note: For a **Power Park Module** and **DC Connected Power Park Module** connected to the **Grid Entry Point** or (**User System Entry Point** if **Embedded**) by a **DC Converter** or **HVDC System** the equivalent inertia and fault infeed at the **Power Park Unit** should be given.

DC Converter and HVDC System Control System Models

PC.A.5.4.3.2 The following data is required by **The Company** to represent **DC Converters** and associated **DC Networks** and **HVDC Systems** (and including **OTSUA** which includes an **OTSDUW DC Converter**) in dynamic power system simulations,

1. For any any **DC Converters** and **HVDC Systems** with a **Completion Date** before 1 September 2022 in which the AC power system is typically represented by a positive sequence equivalent, it is acceptable to represent **DC Converters** and **HVDC Systems** by simplified equations rather than to the switching device level.
   1. Static VDC-IDC (DC voltage - DC current) characteristics, for both the rectifier and inverter modes for a current source converter. Static VDC-PDC (DC voltage - DC power) characteristics, for both the rectifier and inverter modes for a voltage source converter. Transfer function block diagram including parameters representation of the control systems of each **DC Converter** and of the **DC Converter Station** and the **HVDC System**, for both the rectifier and inverter modes. A suitable model would feature the **DC Converter** or **HVDC Converter** firing angle as the output variable.
   2. Transfer function block diagram representation including parameters of the **DC Converter** or **HVDC Converter** transformer tap changer control systems, including time delays
   3. Transfer function block diagram representation including parameters of AC filter and reactive compensation equipment control systems, including any time delays.
   4. Transfer function block diagram representation including parameters of any **Frequency**

and/or load control systems.

* 1. Transfer function block diagram representation including parameters of any small signal modulation controls such as power oscillation damping controls or sub-synchronous oscillation damping controls, that have not been submitted as part of the above control system data.
  2. Transfer block diagram representation of the **Reactive Power** control at converter ends for a voltage source converter.

In addition and where not provided for above, **HVDC System Owners** and **Generators** in respect of **OTSDUW DC Converters** who are also **EU Code Users** shall also provide the following dynamic simulation sub-models

1. **HVDC Converter** unit models
2. AC component models
3. DC Grid models
4. Voltage and power controller
5. Special control features if applicable (eg power oscillation damping (POD) function, subsynchronous torsional interaction (SSTI) control;
6. Multi terminal control, if applicable
7. **HVDC System** protection models as agreed between **The Company** and the **HVDC System Owner**

**HVDC System Owners** are also required to supply an equivalent model of the control system when adverse control interactions may result with **HVDC Converter Stations** and other connections in close proximity if requested by **The Company**. The equivalent model shall contain all necessary data for the realistic simulation of the adverse control interactions.

1. For any **DC Converters** and **HVDC Systems** with a **Completion Date** after 1 September 2022 and any **DC Converters** and **HVDC Systems** subject to a control system change or **Modification** after 1 September 2022, control system models in accordance with PC.A.9 should be supplied covering the full functionality required under PC.A.5.4.3.2 (a).

For the avoidance of doubt a **User** may submit control system models as detailed in PC.A.9 for any **DC Converters** and **HVDC Systems** regardless of **Completion Date** as an alternative to PC.A.5.4.3.2(a).

Plant Flexibility Performance

PC.A.5.4.3.3 The following information on plant flexibility and performance should be supplied (and also in respect of **OTSUA** which includes an **OTSDUW DC Converter**):

* 1. Nominal and maximum (emergency) loading rate with the **DC Converter** or **HVDC Converter** in rectifier mode.
  2. Nominal and maximum (emergency) loading rate with the **DC Converter** or **HVDC Converter** in inverter mode.
  3. Maximum recovery time, to 90% of pre-fault loading, following an AC system fault or severe voltage depression.
  4. Maximum recovery time, to 90% of pre-fault loading, following a transient **DC Network**

fault.

Harmonic Assessment Information

PC.A.5.4.3.4 **DC Converter** owners and **HVDC System Owners** shall provide such additional further information as required by **The Company** in order that compliance with CC.6.1.5 or ECC.6.1.5 can be demonstrated.

\* Data items marked with an asterisk are already requested under part 1, PC.A.3.3.1, to facilitate an early assessment by **The Company** as to whether detailed stability studies will be required before an offer of terms for a **CUSC Contract** can be made. Such data items have been repeated here merely for completeness and need not, of course, be resubmitted unless their values, known or estimated, have changed.

PC.A.5.5 Response Data For Frequency Changes

The information detailed below is required to describe the actual frequency response capability profile as illustrated in Figure CC.A.3.1 of the **Connection Conditions** or Figure ECC.A.3.1 of the **European Connection Conditions**, and need only be provided for each:

1. **Genset** at **Large Power Stations**; and
2. **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**), **Power Park Module** (including a **DC Connected Power Park Module**) or **CCGT Module** at a **Medium Power Station** or **DC Converter Station** or **HVDC System** that has agreed to provide **Frequency** response in accordance with a **CUSC Contract**.

In the case of (ii) above for the rest of this PC.A.5.5 where reference is made to **Gensets**, it shall include such **Generating Units** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**), **CCGT Modules**, **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Module**s), **HVDC Systems** and **DC Converters** as appropriate, but excludes **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** utilising **OTSDUW DC Converters**.

In this PC.A.5.5, for a **CCGT Module** with more than one **Generating Unit**, the phrase **Minimum Generation** or **Minimum Regulating Level** applies to the entire **CCGT Module** operating with all **Generating Units** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) **Synchronised** to the **System**. Similarly for a **Power Park Module** (including a **DC Connected Power Park Module**) with more than one **Power Park Unit**, the phrase **Minimum Generation** or **Minimum Regulating Level** applies to the entire **Power Park Module** operating with all **Power Park Units Synchronised** to the **System**.

PC.A.5.5.1 MW Loading Points At Which Data Is Required

Response values are required at six MW loading points (MLP1 to MLP6) for each **Genset**. **Primary** and **Secondary Response** values need not be provided for MW loading points which are below **Minimum Generation** or **Minimum Stable Operating Level**. MLP1 to MLP6 must be provided to the nearest MW.

Prior to the **Genset** being first **Synchronised**, the MW loading points must take the following values :

## MLP1 Designed Minimum Operating Level or Minimum Regulating Level

MLP2 **Minimum Generation** or **Minimum Stable Operating Level**

MLP3 70% of **Registered Capacity** or **Maximum Capacity** MLP4 80% of **Registered Capacity** or **Maximum Capacity** MLP5 95% of **Registered Capacity** or **Maximum Capacity** MLP6 **Registered Capacity** or **Maximum Capacity**

When data is provided after the **Genset** is first **Synchronised**, the MW loading points may take any value between the **Designed Minimum Operating Level** or **Minimum Regulating Level** and **Registered Capacity** or **Maximum Capacity** but the value of the **Designed Minimum Operating Level** or **Minimum Regulating Level** must still be provided if it does not form one of the MW loading points.

PC.A.5.5.2 Primary And Secondary Response To Frequency Fall

**Primary** and **Secondary Response** values for a -0.5Hz ramp are required at six MW loading points (MLP1 to MLP6) as detailed above

PC.A.5.5.3 High Frequency Response To Frequency Rise

**High Frequency Response** values for a +0.5Hz ramp are required at six MW loading points (MLP1 to MLP6) as detailed above.

PC.A.5.5.4 Each **Generator** or **Defence Service Provider** or **Restoration Contractor** or **Non- Embedded Customer** in respect of an **Electricity Storage Module**, shall provide **Frequency** response curves that demonstrate the ability of their **Electricity Storage Modules** to transition from a mode analogous to **Demand** to a mode analogous to generation (excluding **Auxiliary Supplies**) within a period of 20 seconds or less in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.3, unless the provisions of ECC.6.3.7.2.3.1 apply where the requirements of OC6.6.6. relate.

PC.A.5.6 Mothballed Power Generating Module, Mothballed Generating Unit, Mothballed Power Park Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules), Mothballed HVDC Systems or Mothballed DC Converter at a DC Converter Station And Alternative Fuel Information

Data identified under this section PC.A.5.6 must be submitted as required under PC.A.1.2 and at **The Company’s** reasonable request.

In the case of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement, Embedded HVDC Systems** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**, upon request from **The Company** each **Network Operator** shall provide the information required in PC.A.5.6.1, PC.A.5.6.2, PC.A.5.6.3 and PC.A.5.6.4 on respect of such **Embedded Medium Power Stations** and **Embedded DC Converters Stations** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** with their **System**.

PC.A.5.6.1 Mothballed Generating Unit Information

**Generators**, **HVDC System Owners** and **DC Converter Station** owners must supply with respect to each **Mothballed Power Generating Module**, **Mothballed Generating Unit**, **Mothballed Power Park Module** (including a **DC Connected Power Park Module**), **Mothballed HVDC System** or **Mothballed DC Converter** at a **DC Converter Station** the estimated **MW** output which could be returned to service within the following time periods from the time that a decision to return was made:

< 1 month;

1-2 months;

2-3 months;

3-6 months;

6-12 months; and

>12 months.

The return to service time should be determined in accordance with **Good Industry Practice** assuming normal working arrangements and normal plant procurement lead times. The MW output values should be the incremental values made available in each time period as further described in the **DRC**.

PC.A.5.6.2 **Generators**, **HVDC System Owners** and **DC Converter Station** owners must also notify **The Company** of any significant factors which may prevent the **Mothballed Power Generating Module**, **Mothballed Generating Unit**, **Mothballed Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**), **Mothballed HVDC Systems** or **Mothballed DC Converter** at a **DC Converter Station** achieving the estimated values provided under PC.A.5.6.1 above, excluding factors relating to **Transmission Entry Capacity**.

PC.A.5.6.3 Alternative Fuel Information

The following data items must be supplied with respect to each **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) whose main fuel is gas.

For each alternative fuel type (if facility installed):

* 1. Alternative fuel type e.g. oil distillate, alternative gas supply
  2. For the changeover from main to alternative fuel:
     + Time to carry out off-line and on-line fuel changeover (minutes).
     + Maximum output following off-line and on-line changeover (MW).
     + Maximum output during on-line fuel changeover (MW).
     + Maximum operating time at full load assuming typical and maximum possible stock levels (hours).
     + Maximum rate of replacement of depleted stocks (MWh electrical/day) on the basis of **Good Industry Practice**.
     + Is changeover to alternative fuel used in normal operating arrangements?
     + Number of successful changeovers carried out in the last of **The Company’s Financial Year** (choice of 0, 1-5, 6-10, 11-20, >20).

1. For the changeover back to main fuel:

* Time to carry out off-line and on-line fuel changeover (minutes).
* Maximum output during on-line fuel changeover (MW).

PC.A.5.6.4 **Generators** must also notify **The Company** of any significant factors and their effects which may prevent the use of alternative fuels achieving the estimated values provided under PC.A.5.6.3 above (e.g. emissions limits, distilled water stocks etc.)

PC.A.5.7 System Restoration Related Information

PC.A.5.7.1 Data identified under this section PC.A.5.7.1 must be submitted as required under PC.A.1.2. This information may also be requested by **The Company** during **System Restoration** and should be provided by **Generators**, **HVDC System Owners** and **DC Converter Station Owners** where reasonably possible. For the avoidance of doubt, **Generators** in this section PC.A.5.7.1 means each **Generator** in respect of their **BM Unit** at any directly connected **Power Station** or **Large Power Station** (excluding **Generators** in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** and **Embedded Small Power Stations**).

The data items/text in (a) and (b) below must be supplied, by each **Generator** and **HVDC System Owner** and **DC Converter Station** owner to **The Company**. In the case of **Generators**, the data supplied should be with respect to each **BM Unit** at any directly connected **Power Station** or **Large Power Station**. For the avoidance of doubt, the data required under PC.A.5.7.1(a) and (b) below, i) does not need to be supplied in respect of **Restoration Contractors Plant** and ii), only needs to be supplied in respect of each **BM Unit** at a **Large Power Station** or any directly connected **Power Station** and does not need to include **Generating Unit** data;

1. The expected time for each **BM Unit** to be **Synchronised** following a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**. The assessment should include the **Power Stations** or **HVDC Systems** or **DC Converter Stations** ability to re-synchronise all **BM Units**, if all were running immediately prior to the **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** once auxiliary supplies have been restored, or supplies have been restored to the **User’s Site** where the **Plant** was running immediately prior to the **Shutdown**) and at time intervals of 12 hours, 24 hours, 36 hours, 48 hours and 72 hours before the **BM Unit** had been **Shutdown**. Additionally this should highlight any specific issues (i.e. those that would have an impact on the **BM Unit’s** time to be **Synchronised**) that may arise, as time progresses without external supplies being restored or the availability of primary fuel supplies. In submitting this data, **Generators**, **HVDC System Owners** and **DC Converter Station** owners should be aware of the requirements in CC.7.11 or ECC.7.11.
2. **Block Loading Capability**. This should be provided in either graphical or tabular format showing the estimated block loading capability from 0MW to **Registered Capacity** and the time between each incremental step. Any particular **Active Power** loading points at which the **BM Unit** should be operated until further changes in output can be accommodated should also be identified. The data of each **BM Unit** should be provided for the condition of a **Generating Unit** (which was running immediately prior to the **Shutdown**) and at time intervals of 12 hours, 24 hours, 36 hours, 48 hours and 72 hours before the **BM Unit** had been **Shutdown**. In the case of an **HVDC System** or **DC Converter Station**, data should be provided when the **HVDC System** or **DC Converter Station** (which was running immediately prior to the **Shutdown**) and at time intervals of 12 hours, 24 hours, 36 hours, 48 hours and 72 hours prior to the **HVDC System** or **DC Converter Station** had been **Shutdown**. The block loading assessment should be done against a frequency variation of 47.5Hz – 52Hz.

PC.A.5.7.2 Where a **Network Operator** has a **Distribution Restoration Zone Plan** in place, the data specified in this section shall be submitted as required under PC.A.1.2 by **Network Operators** to **The Company** annually by calendar week 28. This information may also be requested by **The Company** from the relevant **Network Operator** during **System Restoration** and should be provided by **Network Operators** where reasonably practicable. **Restoration Contractors** party to a **Distribution Restoration Zone Plan** shall, where reasonably practicable, submit the relevant information to the **Network Operator** who shall then supply the relevant information to **The Company**. The following data shall be provided;

* 1. The expected time for each **Restoration Contractor’s Plant** to **Re-Synchronise** to the **Network Operator’s System** following a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**. The assessment should include the **Restoration Contractor’s** ability to **Re- Synchronise** all their **Plant**, if all were running immediately prior to the **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**. Additionally, the data and supporting text should highlight any specific issues (eg those that would affect the time before which the **Restoration Contractor’s Plant** could be energised) that may arise as time progresses from **Shutdown** without external supplies being restored or the availability of primary fuel supplies..
  2. The **Restoration Contractor’s Plants Block Loading Capability** as required in PC.A.5.7.1(b).

PC.A.5.7.3 From 31st December 2026 onwards, all **Users** and **Restoration Contractors** are required to confirm annually they comply with the applicable requirements of OC5.7. In the case of **Generators**, **HVDC System Owners**, **DC Converter** owners, **Non-Embedded Customers**, and **Network Operators** this confirmation shall be provided in their Week 24 submission. From 1st January 2024 until 31st December 2026, evidence to support the work **Generators**, **HVDC System Owners**, **DC Converter** owners, **Non-Embedded Customers**, and **Network Operators** are carrying out to achieve these requirements on or after 31st December 2026 shall be provided in their Week 24 submission.

PC.A.5.7.4 From 1st January 2025 onwards, **Restoration Contractors**, **Generators**, **HVDC System Owners** and **DC Converter** owners, shall supply the governor setting information in accordance with the applicable requirements of CC.6.3.7(g), (h) and (i) or ECC.6.3.7.3.8.

PC.A.5.8 Grid Forming Related Information

PC.A.5.8.1 The following data need only be supplied by **Users** (be they a **GB Code User** or **EU Code User**) or **Non-CUSC Parties** who wish to offer a **Grid Forming Capability** as provided for ECC.6.3.19.3. Where such a **Grid Forming Capability** is provided then the following data items and models are to be supplied.

* + 1. Each **GBGF-I** shall be designed so as not to interact and affect the operation, performance, safety or capability of other **User’s Plant** and **Apparatus** connected to the **Total System**. To achieve this requirement, each **User** shall be required to submit a **Network Frequency Perturbation Plot** and **Nichols Chart** (or equivalent as agreed with **The Company**) which shall be assessed in accordance with the requirements of ECP.A.3.9.3.

Each **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** is required to supply a high level equivalent architecture diagram of their **Grid Forming Plant** as shown in Figure PC.A.5.8.1 together with the equivalent linear classical block diagram model (using the Laplace Operator) of their **Grid Forming Plant** which should preferably be in the general form shown in Figure PC.A.5.8.1 (a) or Figure PC.A.5.8.1 (b). When submitting either Figure PC.A.5.8.1 (a) or Figure PC.A.5.8.1 (b), each **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** can use their own design, that may be very different to Figures PC.A.5.8.1 (a) or PC.A.5.8.1 (b), but should contain all relevant functions that can include simulation models and other equivalent data and documentation.

Each **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** shall provide a model of their **Grid Forming Plant**

which provides a true and accurate reflection of its **Grid Forming Capability**.



Figure PC.A.5.8.1



Figure PC.A.5.8.1 (a) Preferred simplified diagram of a **GBGF-I** with a **Power System Stabiliser** “**PSS**” that can add damping to the **GBGF-I**’s closed loop function shown by

the solid red line and the dotted blue line.



Figure PC.A.5.8.1 (b) – Preferred simplified diagram of a system with a droop control ability that can add **Control-Based Active Droop Power**. This diagram does not add extra closed loop damping to the **GBGF-I’s** closed loop function shown by the solid red

line and the dotted blue line.

* + 1. In order to participate in the **Grid Forming Capability** market, **User’s** and **Non- CUSC Parties** are required to provide data of their **GBGF-I** in accordance with Figures PC.A.5.8.1(a) and PC.A.5.8.1(b). **Users** and **Non-CUSC Parties** in respect of **Grid Forming Plants** should indicate if the data is submitted on a unit or aggregated basis. Table PC.A.5.8.1(a) defines the notation used in Figure PC.5.8.1

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Parameter** | **Symbol** | **Units** |
| The primary reactance of the **Grid Forming Unit**, in pu. | Xin or Xts | pu on MVA **Rating of Grid Forming Unit** |
| The additional reactance, in pu, between the terminals of the **Grid Forming Unit** and the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** (if **Embedded**). | Xtr | pu on MVA **Rating of Grid Forming Unit** |
| The rated angle between the **Internal Voltage Source** and the input terminals of the **Grid Forming**  **Unit**. |  | radians |
| The rated angle between the **Internal Voltage Source** and **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry**  **Point** (if **Embedded**). |  | radians |
| The rated voltage and phase of the **Internal Voltage Source** of the **Grid Forming Unit**. |  | Voltage - pu Phase - radians |
| The rated electrical angle between current and voltage at the input to the Grid transformer. |  | radians |

Table PC.A.5.8.1

* + 1. In order to participate in a **Grid Forming Capability** market, **User’s** and **Non-CUSC Parties** are also required to provide the data of their **GBGF-I** in accordance with Table PC.A.5.8.1.2 to **The Company**. The details and arrangements for **Users** and **Non-CUSC Parties** participating in this market shall be published on **The Company’s Website**.

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Quantity** | **Units** | **Range**  **(where Applicable)** | **User Defined Parameter** |
| Type of **Grid Forming Plant** (eg **Generating Unit**, **Electricity Storage Module**, **Dynamic Reactive Compensation Equipment** etc) | N/A |  |  |
| Maximum Continuous Rating at **Registered Capacity** or **Maximum Capacity** | MVA |  |  |
| Primary reactance Xin or Xts (see Table PC.A.5.8.1) | pu on MVA |  |  |
| Additional reactance Xtr (See Table PC.A.5.8.1) | pu on MVA |  |  |

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Maximum Capacity** | MW |  |  |
| **Active ROCOF Response Power** (MW) injected or absorbed at 1Hz/s **System Frequency** change (which is the maximum frequency change for linear operation of the **Grid Forming Plant**) | MW |  |  |
| **Phase Jump Angle Withstand** | degrees |  | 60 degrees specified |
| **Phase Jump Angle limit** | degrees |  | 5 degrees recommended |
| **Phase Jump Power** (MW)  at the rated angle | MW |  |  |
| **Defined Active Damping Power** for a **Grid Oscillation Value** of 0.05  Hz peak to peak at 1 Hz | MW |  |  |
| The cumulative energy delivered for a 1Hz/s **System Frequency** fall from 52 Hz to 47 Hz. This is the total **Active Power** transient output of the **Grid**  **Forming Plant** | MWs or MJ |  |  |
| **Inertia Constant** (**H**) using equation 1 or declared in accordance with the simulation results of ECP.A.3.9.4 | MWs/MVA |  |  |
| **Inertia Constant** (**He**) using equation 2 or declared in accordance with the simulation results of ECP.A.3.9.4 | MWs/MVA |  |  |
| Continuous Overload Capability | % on MVA |  |  |
| Short Term duration Overload capability |  |  |  |
| Duration of Short Term Overload Capability | s |  |  |
| **Peak Current Rating** | Pu |  |  |
| Nominal **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** voltage | kV |  |  |
| **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** | - Location |  |  |
| Continuous or defined time duration MVA Rating | MVA |  |  |
| Continuous or defined time duration MW Rating | MW |  |  |

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| For a **GBGF-I** the inverters maximum **Internal Voltage Source** (**IVS**) for the worst case condition – for example operation at maximum exporting **Reactive Power** at the maximum AC **System** voltage | pu |  |  |
| Maximum Three Phase Short Circuit Infeed at **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** | kA |  |  |
| Maximum Single Phase Short Circuit Infeed at **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** | kA |  |  |
| Will the **Grid Forming Plant** contribute to any other form of commercial service – for example Dynamic Containment, Firm Frequency Response, | Details to be provided |  |  |
| **Equivalent Damping Factor.** | Ζ |  | 0.2 to 5.0 allowed |

Table PC.A.5.8.2

H = Installed MWs / Rated installed MVA (equation 1)

He = (**Active ROCOF Response Power** at 1 Hz / s x **System Frequency**) / ( Installed MVA x 2 )

(equation 2)

### PC.A.6 USERS' SYSTEM DATA

PC.A.6.1 Introduction

PC.A.6.1.1 Each **User**, whether connected directly via an existing **Connection Point** to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or seeking such a direct connection, or providing terms for connection of an **Offshore Transmission System** to its **User System** to **The Company** or undertaking **OTSDUW**, shall provide **The Company** with data on its **User System** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** which relates to the **Connection Site** containing the **Connection Point** (or **Interface Points** or **Connection Points** in the case of **OTSUA**) both current and forecast, as specified in PC.A.6.2 to PC.A.6.6.

PC.A.6.1.2 Each **User** must reflect the system effect at the **Connection Site(s)** of any third party

**Embedded** within its **User System** whether existing or proposed.

PC.A.6.1.3 PC.A.6.2, and PC.A.6.4 to PC.A.6.7 consist of data which is only to be supplied to **The Company** at **The Company’s** reasonable request. In the event that **The Company** identifies a reason for requiring this data, **The Company** shall write to the relevant **User**(s), requesting the data, and explaining the reasons for the request. If the **User**(s) wishes, **The Company** shall also arrange a meeting at which the request for data can be discussed, with the objective of identifying the best way in which **The Company’s** requirements can be met. In respect of **EU Code User**(s) only, **The Company** may request the need for electromagnetic transient simulations at **The Company’s** reasonable request. **Users** with **EU Grid Supply Points** may be required to provide electromagnetic transient simulations in relation to those **EU Grid Supply Points** at **The Company**’s reasonable request.

Where **The Company** makes a request to a **User** for dynamic models under PC.A.6.7, each relevant **User** shall ensure that the models supplied in respect of their **Plant** and **Apparatus** reflect the true and accurate behaviour of the **Plant** and **Apparatus** as built and verified through the **Compliance Processes** (**CP**’s) or **European Compliance Processes** (**ECP**).

PC.A.6.2 Transient Overvoltage Assessment Data

PC.A.6.2.1 It is occasionally necessary for **The Company** to undertake transient overvoltage assessments (e.g. capacitor switching transients, switchgear transient recovery voltages, etc). At **The Company’s** reasonable request, each **User** is required to provide the following data with respect to the **Connection Site** (and in the case of **OTSUA**, **Interface Points** and **Connection Points**), current and forecast, together with a **Single Line Diagram** where not already supplied under PC.A.2.2.1, as follows:

* + - 1. busbar layout plan(s), including dimensions and geometry showing positioning of any current and voltage transformers, through bushings, support insulators, disconnectors, circuit breakers, surge arresters, etc. Electrical parameters of any associated current and voltage transformers, stray capacitances of wall bushings and support insulators, and grading capacitances of circuit breakers;
      2. Electrical parameters and physical construction details of lines and cables connected at that busbar. Electrical parameters of all plant e.g., transformers (including neutral earthing impedance or zig-zag transformers, if any), series reactors and shunt compensation equipment connected at that busbar (or to the tertiary of a transformer) or by lines or cables to that busbar;
      3. Basic insulation levels (BIL) of all **Apparatus** connected directly, by lines or by cables to the busbar;
      4. characteristics of overvoltage **Protection** devices at the busbar and at the termination points of all lines, and all cables connected to the busbar;
      5. fault levels at the lower voltage terminals of each transformer connected directly or indirectly to the **National Electricity Transmission System** (including **OTSUA** at each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**) without intermediate transformation;
      6. the following data is required on all transformers operating at **Supergrid Voltage** throughout **Great Britain** and, in Scotland and **Offshore**, also at 132kV or greater (including **OTSUA**): three or five limb cores or single phase units to be specified, and operating peak flux density at nominal voltage;
      7. an indication of which items of equipment may be out of service simultaneously during

**Planned Outage** conditions.

PC.A.6.3 User's Protection Data PC.A.6.3.1 Protection

The following information is required which relates only to **Protection** equipment which can trip or inter-trip or close any **Connection Point** circuit-breaker or any **Transmission** circuit- breaker (or in the case of **OTSUA**, any **Interface Point** or **Connection Point** circuit breaker). This information need only be supplied once, in accordance with the timing requirements set out in PC.A.1.4(b), and need not be supplied on a routine annual basis thereafter, although **The Company** should be notified if any of the information changes;

* + - * 1. a full description, including estimated settings, for all relays and **Protection** systems installed or to be installed on the **User's System**;
        2. a full description of any auto-reclose facilities installed or to be installed on the **User's System**, including type and time delays;
        3. a full description, including estimated settings, for all relays and **Protection** systems or to be installed on the generator, generator transformer, **Station Transformer** and their associated connections;
        4. for **Generating Units** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** forming part of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module** but excluding **Power Park Units**) or **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) or **HVDC Systems** or **DC Converters** at a **DC Converter Station** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** having (or intended to have) a circuit breaker at the generator terminal voltage, clearance times for electrical faults within the **Generating Unit** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** forming part of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module** but excluding a **Power Park Unit**) or **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) zone, or within the **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**;
        5. the most probable fault clearance time for electrical faults on any part of the **User's System** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** including **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**; and
        6. in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, synchronisation facilities and delayed auto reclose sequence schedules (where applicable).
        7. **Restoration Contractors** and **Network Operators** shall provide the above **Protection** data where different settings are used in respect of their **Plant** and **Apparatus** which are associated with a **Restoration Plan**.

PC.A.6.4 Harmonic Studies

PC.A.6.4.1 It is occasionally necessary for **The Company** to evaluate the production/magnification of harmonic distortion on the **National Electricity Transmission System** and **User’s Systems** (and **OTSUA**), especially when **The Company** is connecting equipment such as capacitor banks. At **The Company’s** reasonable request, each **User** is required to submit data with respect to the **Connection Site** (and in the case of **OTSUA**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**), current and forecast, and where not already supplied under PC.A.2.2.4 and PC.A.2.2.5, as follows:

PC.A.6.4.2 Overhead lines and underground cable circuits of the **User's Subtransmission System** must be differentiated and the following data provided separately for each type:

Positive phase sequence resistance; Positive phase sequence reactance; Positive phase sequence susceptance;

and for all transformers connecting the **User's Subtransmission System** and **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** to a lower voltage:

Rated MVA; Voltage Ratio;

Positive phase sequence resistance;

Positive phase sequence reactance;

and at the lower voltage points of those connecting transformers: Equivalent positive phase sequence susceptance;

Connection voltage and MVAr rating of any capacitor bank and component design parameters if configured as a filter;

Equivalent positive phase sequence interconnection impedance with other lower voltage points;

The minimum and maximum **Demand** (both MW and MVAr) that could occur;

Harmonic current injection sources in Amps at the Connection voltage points. Where the harmonic injection current comes from a diverse group of sources, the equivalent contribution may be established from appropriate measurements;

Details of traction loads, eg connection phase pairs, continuous variation with time, etc; An indication of which items of equipment may be out of service simultaneously during

**Planned Outage** conditions.

PC.A.6.5 Voltage Assessment Studies

It is occasionally necessary for **The Company** to undertake detailed voltage assessment studies (e.g., to examine potential voltage instability, voltage control co-ordination or to calculate voltage step changes). At **The Company’s** reasonable request, each **User** is required to submit the following data where not already supplied under PC.A.2.2.4 and PC.A.2.2.5:

For all circuits of the User’s Subtransmission System (and any OTSUA):- Positive Phase Sequence Reactance;

Positive Phase Sequence Resistance; Positive Phase Sequence Susceptance;

MVAr rating of any reactive compensation equipment;

and for all transformers connecting the **User's Subtransmission System** to a lower voltage (and any **OTSUA**):

Rated MVA; Voltage Ratio;

Positive phase sequence resistance; Positive Phase sequence reactance; Tap-changer range;

Number of tap steps;

Tap-changer type: on-load or off-circuit;

AVC/tap-changer time delay to first tap movement; AVC/tap-changer inter-tap time delay;

and at the lower voltage points of those connecting transformers (and any **OTSUA**):- Equivalent positive phase sequence susceptance;

MVAr rating of any reactive compensation equipment;

Equivalent positive phase sequence interconnection impedance with other lower voltage points;

The maximum **Demand** (both MW and MVAr) that could occur;

Estimate of voltage insensitive (constant power) load content in % of total load at both winter peak and 75% off-peak load conditions.

PC.A.6.6 Short Circuit Analysis

PC.A.6.6.1 Where prospective short-circuit currents on **Transmission** equipment are greater than 90% of the equipment rating, and in **The Company’s** reasonable opinion more accurate calculations of short-circuit currents are required, then at **The Company’s** request each **User** is required to submit data with respect to the **Connection Site** (and in the case of **OTSUA**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**), current and forecast, and where not already supplied under PC.A.2.2.4 and PC.A.2.2.5, as follows:

PC.A.6.6.2 For all circuits of the **User’s Subtransmission System** (and any **OTSUA**): Positive phase sequence resistance;

Positive phase sequence reactance; Positive phase sequence susceptance;

Zero phase sequence resistance (both self and mutuals); Zero phase sequence reactance (both self and mutuals); Zero phase sequence susceptance (both self and mutuals);

and for all transformers connecting the **User's Subtransmission System** to a lower voltage (and any **OTSUA**):

Rated MVA; Voltage Ratio;

Positive phase sequence resistance (at max, min and nominal tap); Positive Phase sequence reactance (at max, min and nominal tap); Zero phase sequence reactance (at nominal tap);

Tap changer range;

Earthing method: direct, resistance or reactance; Impedance if not directly earthed;

and at the lower voltage points of those connecting transformers (and any **OTSUA**): The maximum **Demand** (in MW and MVAr) that could occur;

Short-circuit infeed data in accordance with PC.A.2.5.6 unless the **User**’s lower voltage network runs in parallel with the **User**’s **Subtransmission System**, when to prevent double counting in each node infeed data, a  equivalent comprising the data items of PC.A.2.5.6 for each node together with the positive phase sequence interconnection impedance between the nodes shall be submitted.

PC.A.6.7 Dynamic Models

PC.A.6.7.1 It is occasionally necessary for **The Company** to evaluate the dynamic performance of **User’s Plant** and **Apparatus** at each **EU Grid Supply Point** or in the case of **EU Code Users**, their **System**. At **The Company’s** reasonable request and as agreed between **The Company** and the relevant **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer**, each **User** is required to provide the following data. Where such data is required, **The Company** will work with the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** to establish the scope of the dynamic modelling work and share the required information where it is available:-

1. Dynamic model structure and block diagrams including parameters, transfer functions and individual elements (as applicable);
2. Power control functions and block diagrams including parameters, transfer functions and individual elements (as applicable);
3. Voltage control functions and block diagrams including parameters, transfer functions and individual elements (as applicable);

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1. Converter control models and block diagrams including parameters, transfer functions and individual elements (as applicable).

### PC.A.7 ADDITIONAL DATA FOR NEW TYPES OF POWER STATIONS, DC CONVERTER STATIONS, OTSUA AND CONFIGURATIONS

Notwithstanding the **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** set out in this Appendix, as new types of configurations and operating arrangements of **Power Stations**, **HVDC Systems**, **DC Converter Stations** and **OTSUA** emerge in future, **The Company** may reasonably require additional data to represent correctly the performance of such **Plant** and **Apparatus** on the **System**, where the present data submissions would prove insufficient for the purpose of producing meaningful **System** studies for the relevant parties.

# PART 3 - DETAILED PLANNING DATA

PC.A.8 To allow a **User** to model the **National Electricity Transmission System**, **The Company** will provide, upon request, the following **Network Data** to **Users**, calculated in accordance with **Good Industry Practice**:

To allow a **User** to assess undertaking **OTSDUW** and except where provided for in Appendix F, **The Company** will provide upon request the following **Network Data** to **Users**, calculated in accordance with **Good Industry Practice**:

PC.A.8.1 Single Point of Connection

For a **Single Point of Connection** to a **User's System** (and **OTSUA**), as a Transmission System voltage source, the data (as at the HV side of the **Point of Connection** (and in the case of **OTSUA**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**) reflecting data given to **The Company** by **Users**) will be given to a **User** as follows:

The data items listed under the following parts of PC.A.8.3:

1. (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi) and the data items shall be provided in accordance with the detailed provisions of PC.A.8.3 (b) - (e).

PC.A.8.2 Multiple Point of Connection

For a **Multiple Point of Connection** to a **User's System** equivalents suitable for use in loadflow and fault level analysis shall be provided. These equivalents will normally be in the form of a π model or extension with a source (or demand for a loadflow equivalent) at each node and a linking impedance. The boundary nodes for the equivalent shall be either at the **Connection Point** (and in the case of **OTSDUW**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**) or (where **The Company** agrees) at suitable nodes (the nodes to be agreed with the **User**) within the **National Electricity Transmission System**. The data at the **Connection Point** (and in the case of **OTSDUW**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**) will be given to a **User** as follows:

The data items listed under the following parts of PC.A.8.3:-

1. (i), (ii), (iv), (v), (vi), (vii), (viii), (ix), (x) and (xi)

and the data items shall be provided in accordance with the detailed provisions of PC.A.8.3

1. - (e).

When an equivalent of this form is not required **The Company** will not provide the data items listed under the following parts of PC.A.8.3:-

1. (vii), (viii), (ix), (x) and (xi)

PC.A.8.3 Data Items

1. The following is a list of data utilised in this part of the **PC**. It also contains rules on the data which generally apply.
   1. symmetrical three-phase short circuit current infeed at the instant of fault from the

## National Electricity Transmission System, (I1");

* 1. symmetrical three-phase short circuit current from the **National Electricity Transmission System** after the subtransient fault current contribution has substantially decayed, (I1');
  2. the zero sequence source resistance and reactance values at the **Point of Connection** (and in case of **OTSUA**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**), consistent with the maximum infeed below;
  3. the pre-fault voltage magnitude at which the maximum fault currents were calculated;
  4. the positive sequence X/R ratio at the instant of fault;
  5. the negative sequence resistance and reactance values of the **National Electricity Transmission System** seen from the **Point of Connection** (and in case of **OTSUA**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**), if substantially different from the

values of positive sequence resistance and reactance which would be derived from the data provided above;

* 1. the initial positive sequence resistance and reactance values of the two (or more) sources and the linking impedance(s) derived from a fault study constituting the (π) equivalent and evaluated without the **User** network and load and where appropriate without elements of the **National Electricity Transmission System** between the **User** network and agreed boundary nodes (and in case of **OTSUA**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**);
  2. the positive sequence resistance and reactance values of the two (or more) sources and the linking impendence(s) derived from a fault study, considering the short circuit current contributions after the subtransient fault current contribution has substantially decayed, constituting the (π) equivalent and evaluated without the **User** network and load, and where appropriate without elements of the **National Electricity Transmission System** between the **User** network and agreed boundary nodes (and in case of **OTSUA**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**);
  3. the corresponding zero sequence impedance values of the (π) equivalent produced for use in fault level analysis;
  4. the **Demand** and voltage at the boundary nodes and the positive sequence resistance and reactance values of the linking impedance(s) derived from a loadflow study considering **National Electricity Transmission System** peak **Demand** constituting the (π) loadflow equivalent; and,
  5. where the agreed boundary nodes are not at a **Connection Point** (and in case of **OTSUA**, **Interface Point** or **Connection Point**), the positive sequence and zero sequence impedances of all elements of the **National Electricity Transmission System** between the **User** network and agreed boundary nodes that are not included in the equivalent (and in case of **OTSUA**, each **Interface Point** and **Connection Point**).

1. To enable the model to be constructed, **The Company** will provide data based on the following conditions.
2. The initial symmetrical three phase short circuit current and the transient period three phase short circuit current will normally be derived from the fixed impedance studies. The latter value should be taken as applying at times of 120ms and longer. Shorter values may be interpolated using a value for the subtransient time constant of 40ms. These fault currents will be obtained from a full **System** study based on load flow analysis that takes into account any existing flow across the point of connection being considered.
3. **The Company** will provide the appropriate supergrid transformer data for the **National Electricity Transmission System** associated with equivalent voltage source data.
4. The positive sequence X/R ratio and the zero sequence impedance value will correspond to **The Company’s** source network only, that is with the section of network if any with which the equivalent is to be used excluded. These impedance values will be derived from the condition when all **Generating Units** (including **Synchronous Generating Units** forming part of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) are **Synchronised** to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or a **User's System** and will take account of active sources only including any contribution from the load to the fault current. The passive component of the load itself or other system shunt impedances should not be included.
5. A **User** may at any time, in writing, specifically request for an equivalent to be prepared for an alternative **System** condition, for example where the **User's System** peak does not correspond to the **National Electricity Transmission System** peak, and **The Company** will, insofar as such request is reasonable, provide the information as soon as reasonably practicable following the request.

PC.A.9 **CONTROL SYSTEM MODEL REQUIREMENTS FOR USERS**

### PC.A.9.1 OBJECTIVE

PC.A.9.1.1 Control and protection system models, along with other **Plant** and **Apparatus** information are required by this **PC**, with supporting documentation provided to **The Company** in order for **The Company** and **Transmission Licensees** to assess the impact of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus** on the transient performance, security and stability of the **Transmission System**.

PC.A.9.1.2 The control and protection system models submitted by the **User** shall be representative of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus** at the **Connection** Point appropriate to the type of model eg. RMS or EMT. All control and protection system models must take into account all communication, controller and processing delays relevant to modelling the performance of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus**. If all **Power Park Units** or **DC Convertors** or **HVDC Converters** contained within the **Users Plant and Apparatus** are not identical, the control system model shall account for this by accurately representing the overall performance of the **Users Plant and Apparatus** at the **Connection Point**.

PC.A.9.1.3 The control and protection system models shall include representation of all relevant functionality required by the Grid Code including services provided to **The Company**. For example, this includes voltage control, LFSM-O, LFSM-U, frequency response, fault ride through, fast fault current injection, protection and automatic switching of shunt devices. Where modes of operation are selectable, the ability to select the mode of operation shall be included within the control system model. Additional guidance on relevant functionality will be published on **The Company** website.

### PC.A.9.2. SCOPE

PC.A.9.2.1 All **Users** shall provide root mean-square (RMS) models which represent the **Users Plant and Apparatus** and controllers in balanced, RMS, positive phase-sequence, time domain studies.

PC.A.9.2.2 All **Generators**, **HVDC Convertor Station Owners**, or **HVDC System Owners** directly connected to the **Transmission System** or **Generators** with **Large Power Stations** and **HVDC Convertor Station** Owners or **HVDC System Owners** with **DC Converter Stations** or **HVDC Systems** embedded within a **User** system which employ convertors/invertors to import or export power to or from the **System** shall provide Electro-Magnetic Transient (EMT) models which represent the **Users Plant and Apparatus** in electromagnetic transient studies on the transmission and distribution system. For the avoidance of doubt this includes **Generators** who own and operate a **Power Park Module** comprising doubly fed induction generators and may include the excitation and governor control systems associated with **Synchronous Generating Units** if these impact on the types of study described on **The Company** website.

PC.A.9.2.3 **The Company** may specify requirements for other models in the **Bilateral Agreement** if required for specific connections in accordance with good industry practice. For example Real Time Dynamic Simulator (RTDS) Models may be required for protection co-ordination.

PC.A.9.3 Balanced Root Mean Squared (RMS) Control System Model

PC.A.9.3.1 The balanced, root mean-square positive sequence time-domain models shall be able to calculate how aspects, (including but not limited to; **Active Power** and **Reactive Power)** of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus** vary due to changes in **System Frequency** and voltage at the **Connection Point**.

PC.A.9.3.2 The RMS models shall include all electrical and mechanical phenomena that impact on the **Active Power** and/or **Reactive Power** of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus** for sub-transient, transient and synchronous dynamics within the context of an RMS study assumptions up to and including **Primary** and **Secondary Response** timeframes or when post-event steady state conditions have been achieved.

PC.A.9.3.3 The **User** shall provide RMS models in the software package specified in PC.A.9.8.1.

PC.A.9.3.4 The RMS models maybe either a User specific model or a standard open-source models, such as a standard WECC, IEEE or IEC control system model available in the software format as specified by **The Company** provided this model represents the **User’s Plant and Apparatus** at the **Connection Point**. Where the **User** is referencing a standard model, the **User** will submit an unambiguous reference to the model and a full set of parameters for the control system model representing the control system performance of the real **Plant and Apparatus**.

PC.A.9.3.4.1 Where a **User** specific model is provided sufficient information shall be provided by the **User** to allow for **The Company** to redevelop RMS models in the event of future software environment changes or version updates. All models shall be accompanied with appropriate documentation with sufficient detail as specified and deemed complete by **The Company** (such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld).

PC.A.9.3.4.2 Where a **User** specific model is provided the **User** shall provide information:

* 1. a full description of the models structure, functionality and the **User’s Plant and Apparatus**

represented.

* 1. inputs/outputs and functionality,
  2. the information described in PC.A.5 relevant to the technology modelled.

PC.A.9.3.5 **The Company** may, when necessary, require the **User** to provide details of the proper operation of its complete RMS system representation or to facilitate its understanding of the results of a RMS dynamic simulation or request additional information concerning the RMS control system model. This should take place no later than the issuance of the FON.

PC.A.9.3.5 The performance requirements for the RMS models are included in Appendix PC.A.9.8 PC.A.9.4 **Electromagnetic Transient (EMT) Model**

PC.A.9.4.1 The three-phase electromagnetic transient control and supporting informtion shall include all material aspects of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus** that affect the voltage and current outputs, including those of the control and protection response from the **User’s Plant and Apparatus**. The models shall represent phenomena that materially affect the voltage and **Frequency** on the **Total System** over timeframes of sub-cycle up to 50 cycles including, but not limited to, switching electronic devices, transformer saturation and equipment energisation.

PC.A.9.4.2 The **User** shall provide EMT models in the software package specified in PC.A.9.9.1. PC.A.9.4.3 The performance requirements for the EMT control system model are included in Appendix

### PC.A.9.9

PC.A.9.5 Replica Control Systems, RTDS, RSCAd

PC.A.9.5.1 Where required by the Bilateral Agreement, the **User** shall provide replica and/or suitable Real Time Dynamic Simulator models. The details of any such rmodels will be included in the Bilateral Agreement.

### PC.A.9.6 CONFIDENTIALITY AND SHARING

PC.A.9.6.1 CONFIDENTIALITY AND SHARING RMS TYPE MODELS

PC.A.9.6.1.1 The models, supporting documentation and associated data are provided to **The Company** in order to carry out its duties to meet its **Transmission Licence** and Grid Code obligations. In that regard, **the Company** is entitled to share the models, supporting documentation and associated data with the **Transmission Licensees**. **The Company** and/or **Transmission Licensees** may share the models with companies/contractors employed by **the Company** or **Transmission Licensees** to carry out licensed activities. Where such data is shared with third parties working with **The Company** or **Transmission Licensees**, this data will be shared as provided in GC.12.

PC.A.9.6.1.2 It is the responsibility of the **User** to provide the RMS models, supporting documentation and associated data to **The Company**. **The Company** will accept the models, supporting documentation and associated data from a manufacturer as a **Manufacturers Data and Performance Report** (See ECP.10). **The Company** will only accept this information from a third party manufacturer provided the third party manufacturer agrees to enter into **The Company’s** standard confidentiality agreement for **User**s for sharing of the model as outlined in PC.A.9.6.1. In the event the third party manufacturer is unable to enter into **The Company’s** standard confidentiality agreement, the **User** shall be responsible for the provision of the RMS models, supporting documentation and associated data to **The Company**.

PC.A.9.6.1.3 It may also be necessary for **The Company** to share a representative RMS model with another **User** to comply with applicable Grid Code requirements (e.g. ECC.6.3.17.1.5 and ECC.6.3.17.2.3) and Bilateral Agreement. For these purposes the **User** must recorded in the **Compliance Statements** either:

* + 1. A declaration that the models submitted for compliance purposes may be shared; or,
    2. provide an equivalent encrypted version of the model that may be shared. In this event the **User** shall demonstrate that the performance of the models and the encrypted model are comparable.

PC.A.9.6.1.4 The **User** shall notify **The Company** of any changes to RMS models in accordance with PC.A.1.2. Unless specified otherwise in the **Bilateral Agreement**, RMS models must be submitted:

1. at least 3 months prior to date requested for issue of the **Interim Operational Notification**
2. at least 1 month prior to date of issue of a **Limited Operational Notification**

for the **Users Plant and Apparatus**.

### PC.A.9.6.2 CONFIDENTIALITY AND SHARING EMT TYPE MODELS

PC.A.9.6.2.1 The EMT model, supporting documentation and associated data are provided to **The Company** in order to carry out its duties to meet its **Transmission Licence** and Grid Code obligations. In that regard, **the Company** is entitled to share the EMT models, supporting documentation and associated data with the **Transmission Licensees**. **The Company** and/or **Transmission Licensees** may share the EMT model with companies/contractors employed by **the Company** or **Transmission Licensees** to carry out licensed activities. Where such data is shared with third parties working with **The Company** or **Transmission Licensees**, this data will be shared and protected as provided in GC.12.

PC.A.9.6.2.2 It is the responsibility of the **User** to provide the EMT models, supporting documentation and associated data to **The Company**. **The Company** will accept the EMT models, supporting documentation and associated data from a manufacturer as a **Manufacturers Data and Performance Report** (See ECP.10). **The Company** will only accept this information from a third party manufacturer provided the third party manufacturer agrees to enter into **The Company’s** standard confidentiality agreement for **User**s for sharing of the model as outlined in PC.A.9.6.2. In the event the third party manufacturer is unable to enter into **The Company’s** standard confidentiality agreement, the **User** shall be responsible for the provision of the EMT models, supporting documentation and associated data to **The Company**.

PC.A.9.6.2.3 It may be necessary for **The Company** to share a representative EMT model with another **User** to comply with applicable Grid Code requirements (e.g. ECC.6.3.17.1.5 and ECC.6.3.17.2.3) and Bilateral Agreement. For these purposes the **User** must record in the **Compliance Statements** either:

1. a declaration that the EMT model submitted for compliance purposes (PC.A.9.6.2.1) may be shared with another **User** for the purpose of fulfilling relevant Grid Code requirements; or,
2. provide an equivalent EMT model that maybe shared with another **User** for the purpose of fulfilling relevant Grid Code requirements. In this event the **User** shall declare that the performance of the equivilent EMT model is adequate for the purposes of fulfilling relevant Grid Requirements as published on **The Company** website.

PC.A.9.6.2.4 Where it is necessary for **The Company** to share a representative EMT model with another

**User**, the **User** in receipt of the model shall:

1. limit of the use of the EMT model to a specific purpose agreed with **The Company** (e.g. simulation requirements to demonstrate compliance with Grid Code including ECC.6.3.17.1 and ECC.6.3.17.2 and Bilateral Agreement)
2. control access to the EMT model to only those individuals who are strictly necessary for the execution of the specific purpose.
3. establish and maintain security measures to restrict access to and prevent distribution of the EMT model (e.g. single computer terminal containing the EMT model and restricting access to file areas where the model resides)
4. ensure any publication is only for demonstrating compliance with the specific purpose agreed with **The Company** and shall not include any data directly derived from the EMT model
5. not disclose the EMT model
6. destroy all copies of the EMT model and supporting material in a confidentially secure manner after the execution of the specific purpose is complete. Destruction of the EMT model and supporting material shall be confirmed to **The Company** in writing.

PC.A.9.6.2.5 The **User** shall notify **The Company** of any changes to EMT models in accordance with PC.A.1.2. Unless specified otherwise in the **Bilateral Agreement**, EMT models must be submitted:

1. at least 3 months prior to date requested for issue of the **Interim Operational Notification**
2. at least 1 month prior to date of issue of a **Limited Operational Notification**

for the **Users Plant and Apparatus**.

### PC.A.9.7 VALIDATION

PC.A.9.7.1 The **User** shall submit evidence that the models have been validated demonstrating that the models under simulation conditions is representative of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus** under equivalent conditions. Validation of models before commissioning may be against test results at other comparable sites, Factory Acceptance Tests of comparable equipment, or type test results to show that the responses shown by the models are representative of the **Users Plant and Apparatus**. Results from model validation in accordance internationaly recommended standards (for example IEC) where applicable are also acceptable.

PC.A.9.7.2 A User may request agreement from **The Company** on the process for validating the models. In particular, for **Users Plant and Apparatus** where Factory Acceptance Testing is to be carried out details of any additional model validation at this stage should be agreed in a timely manner prior to the testing being carried out. Tests should generally include steady state **Reactive Power** capability, voltage control, **Fault Ride Through** and **Frequency** response.

PC.A.9.7.3 After final compliance testing as required under the **CP** or **ECP**, the **User** shall carry out validation of the model simulation results against measurements from final compliance testing in accordance with CP.A.3 or ECP.A.3, to ensure the model responses are representative of the **Users Plant and Apparatus.**

PC.A.9.7.4 If these tests show the models are not representative of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus**, the **User** shall provide updated models, supporting documentation and associated data to ensure the responses shown by the model is representative of the responses shown by **User’s Plant and Apparatus** during testing.

PC.A.9.7.5 In the event **The Company** identifies through lifetime monitoring (OC5) that that the response of the models are not representative of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus**, **The Company** shall notify the **User**. The **User** shall provide the revised models, supporting documentation and associated data whose response is representative of the **Users Plant and Apparatus** as soon as reasonably practicable, but in any case no longer than 54 days after notification by **The Company**. In the event of revised models not being made available a **Limited Operational Notification** (as detailed in CP.9 or ECP.9 as applicable) may be issued with appropriate restrictions.

PC.A.9.7.6 The **User** is responsible for ensuring the models remain representative of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus** throughout the operational lifetime of the **User’s Plant and Apparatus**. In the event of the **User** modifying hardware/software which affects the control and/or operation of the **Users Plant and Apparatus**, the **User** shall provide **The Company** with updated models, supporting documentation and associated data to enable **The Company** to assess the impact of the modification of the **Users Plant and Apparatus** on the **Total System**. Such changes may require other compliance activity as described in the **CP** or **ECP** as applicable.

PC.A.9.7.7 The **User** shall demonstrate that the representation of a **User’s Plant and Apparatus** and models perform correctly in a sample network model published by **The Company** before being accepted. The **User** should represent the **User’s Plant and Apparatus** modelled in accordance with the **Single Line Diagram** and parameters submitted under the **Planning Code** and **DRC** in Schedules 1, 5 or 18 aggregating multiple **Power Park Units** and the collector grid to a single **Power Park Unit** representing a **Power Park Module**.

### PC.A.9.8 RMS MODEL PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATION

PC.A.9.8.1 The RMS models shall be provided in the format required by **The Company**. **The Company** shall publish on **The Company** website acceptable software versions. **The Company** will act reasonable in determining acceptable software versions or compatible formats. In accordance with good industry practice **The Company** will consult with the industry prior to changing the format required. Prior to the start of model development the **User** may request formal agreement from **The Company** of the software version.The RMS models shall be compatible with Objectives as outlined in Grid Code PC.A.9.1 Additional guidance on RMS model is published on **The Company** website.

### PC.A.9.8.2 GENERAL

PC.A.9.8.2.1 User RMS models shall interface with the software in a manner that is consistent with the behaviour of standard library models.

PC.A.9.8.2.1 The models shall use standard library functional blocks representing using standard Laplace block diagram format to the extent practicable.. Where user defined functional blocks have been submitted the **User** must provide **The Company** with the relevant documentation for the model including transfer block diagrams and an explanation of any coding to the satisfaction of **The Company**.

PC.A.9.8.2.2 The use of any "black boxes" encrypted code or external DLLs is not acceptable. An additional RMS model with these features maybe provided for comparison but for the avoidance of doubt does not meet the requirements of PC.A.9.

PC.A.9.8.2.3 The **User** shall specify the operating ranges for the model and shall be consistent with the real physical values and the actual performance of the **Plant and Apparatus**. This may include **Reactive Power** limits and allowable voltage ranges with control mode and **Droop** settings configured according to the usual operation. This information shall be provided either on the appropriate per unit base or in physical units.

PC.A.9.8.2.4 The RMS model must compile without errors. Warnings must be kept to a minimum. PC.A.9.8.3 INITIALISATION

PC.A.9.8.3.1 The RMS model shall be self contained. The combined load-flow and dynamic model shall solve with minimal warnings without the need for manual adjustment or to run external software routines that adjust parameters in either the load-flow case or the dynamic case or both. External software or automation routines to integrate the model are not acceptable.

PC.A.9.8.3.2 The RMS model shall automatically initialise its parameters from load flow simulations without errors and with minimal warnings , must not result in run time errors and run with minimal warnings , and there must not be any interactions or conflicts with other models. The RMS models initialisation shall be invariant to simulation start time (i.e. not require the simulation to be initialised at a particular time). External software or automation routines to initialise the model are not acceptable.

PC.A.9.8.3.3 The RMS model is expected to be numerically stable and must adequately represent the expected equipment behaviour over the operational range of the **Plant and Apparatus** at the **Connection Point**. This includes the full load and **Reactive Power** range of the **Plant and Apparatus**, the range of system voltage and **frequency** operating range (described in Grid Code CC.6.1/ECC.6.1), short circuit levels and X/R ratio at the **Connection Point** where it would be in operation. These values maybe requested from **The Company or** the **Distribution Network Owner** during the compliance process. If necessary, the **User** shall provide a supplementary model for specific conditions. All information on the model capabilities shall be addressed in the model documentation provided to **The Company**.

### PC.A.9.8.4 OUTPUT MESSAGES

PC.A.9.8.4.1 It is not acceptable for the models to crash catastrophically and provide no documentary evidence as to why the simulation failed.

PC.A.9.8.4.2 RMS models shall allow all appropriate internal variables to be requested for output for the duration of the simulation.

PC.A.9.8.4.3 In the case where the **User’s Plant** trips during simulation, the relevant RMS models shall set the flag that indicates that the **User’s Plant** has tripped.

PC.A.9.8.4.4 For protection events (e.g. crow bar controller operation) the simulation events, including initial detection, operation, and time-out, should be reported to the PowerFactory output window during the simulation.

PC.A.9.8.5 Integration Time Step

PC.A.9.8.5.1 The dynamic model must support time domain simulations with a minimum integration step size of 0.01 s.

PC.A.9.8.5.2 The models must not include algorithms that require use of a particular integration step size (for example the control system model should not fail to solve, or the response be materially different for an integration step size of 0.005 s).

PC.A.9.8.5.3 Time constants below 0.01 s should only be included if their inclusion is critical to the performance of the dynamic model and should be agreed with **The Company**. In this case, an alternative model may be requested according to PC.A.9.8.3.3, if required.

PC.A.9.8.5.4 Internal integration algorithms should only be included if their inclusion is critical to meeting the accuracy requirements, and should not materially detract from model simulation speed performance.

### PC.A.9.9 EMT MODEL PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATION

PC.A.9.9.1 The **User** shall provide EMT models in the format required by **The Company**. **The Company** shall maintain a list of acceptable software versions, and compiler version which shall be published on **The Company** website. **The Company** will act reasonable in determining acceptable software versions or compatible formats. In accordance with good industry practice **The Company** will consult with the industry prior to changing the format required. The EMT models shall be compatible with Objectives as outlined in Grid Code PC.A.9.1 and **The Company** shall also publish on **The Company** website a description of the types of study that **The Company** and **Transmission Licensees** will use the EMT control system models in. Additional guidance on EMT model is also published on **The Company** website.

PC.A.9.9.2 The EMT models maybe encrypted. The scope, behaviour and performance of all encrypted elements must be documented. Documentation should include behaviour and performance of all encrypted inner and outer loop control functionality such as voltage control, frequency control, protection systems, convertor controls and phase locked loop controllers (PLL). Aspects of the control system may be omitted provided the study objectives published by **The Company** in accordance with PC.A.9.4.2 are met in which case the documentation should explain any functionality not included in the EMT control system model.

PC.A.9.9.3 The EMT model shall:

* 1. have adjustable operational control parameters. For example this would be expected to include setpoints, control drops, operational limits, relay thresholds. The **User** may seek agreement from **The Company** on the list of adjustable parameters prior to submission of the model.
  2. be based on plant design and validated against testing of the **Plant and Apparatus**

(See Model Validation )

* 1. include all control systems from outer loop control down to inner and switching functions
  2. represent all electrical, mechanical and control features appropriate for the **Plant** and **Apparatus** including switching algorithums of power convertors applicable to studies described by **The Company**.
  3. Have all appropriate protection systems modelled for power system transient stability analysis including balanced and unbalanced fault conditions, **Frequency** and voltage disturbances configured to match the site specific installation of the **Plant** and **Apparatus**. Any protections which relate to multiple disturbances should have an option to be disabled.
  4. Allow **Plant** and **Apparatus** to be scaled where appropriate in accordance with good industry practice. For example representation of multiple **Power Park Units** by a single equivalent unit.
  5. Have time steps which must be appropriate for the accurate representation of the switching algorithms used in the **Plant and Apparatus** and compatible with study time steps down to 10us.
  6. Be portable between network models which may be any size between a single machine infinite bus power system representation and a full multi node power system network depending on the studies that need to be undertaken.
  7. Allow multiple instances within a network and be compatible with other control system models within a network.
  8. Be capable of self initiation to **User** defined terminal conditions within 4 seconds of the simulation time when connected to an equivalent Thevenin source. In the case of complex models **The Company** may agree a self initiation simulation time within 6 seconds.
  9. Warn the **User** by way of an output message when **System** conditions exceed the operational limits of the **Plant** and **Apparatus** or are not valid for continued operation.
  10. Be able to be initialised from a snapshot of network conditions

# APPENDIX B - SINGLE LINE DIAGRAMS

PC.B.1 The diagrams below show three examples of single line diagrams, showing the detail that should be incorporated in the diagram. The first example is for an **Network Operator** connection, the second for a **Generator** connection, the third for a **Power Park Module** electrically equivalent system.

**Network Operator** Single Line Diagram



**Generator** Single Line Diagram



**Power Park Module** Single Line Diagram



Notes:

1. The electrically equivalent **Power Park Unit** consists of a number of actual **Power Park Units** of the same type ie. any equipment external to the **Power Park Unit** terminals is considered as part of the equivalent network. **Power Park Units** of different types shall be included in separate electrically equivalent **Power Park Units**. The total number of equivalent **Power Park Units** shall represent all of the actual **Power Park Units** in the **Power Park Module** (which could be a **DC Connected Power Park Module**).
2. Separate electrically equivalent networks are required for each different type of electrically equivalent **Power Park Unit**. The electrically equivalent network shall include all equipment between the **Power Park Unit** terminals and the **Common Collection Busbar**.
3. All **Plant** and **Apparatus** including the circuit breakers, transformers, lines, cables and reactive compensation plant between the **Common Collection Busbar** and Substation A shall be shown.

# APPENDIX C - TECHNICAL AND DESIGN CRITERIA

PC.C.1 Planning and design of the **SPT** and **SHETL Transmission Systems** is based generally, but not totally, on criteria which evolved from joint consultation among various **Transmission Licensees** responsible for design of the **National Electricity Transmission System**.

PC.C.2 The above criteria are set down within the standards, memoranda, recommendations and reports and are provided as a guide to system planning. It should be noted that each scheme for reinforcement or modification of the **Transmission System** is individually designed in the light of economic and technical factors associated with the particular system limitations under consideration.

PC.C.3 The tables below identify the literature referred to above, together with the main topics considered within each document.

## PART 1 – SHETL's TECHNICAL AND DESIGN CRITERIA

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| --- | --- | --- |
| ITEM No. | DOCUMENT | REFERENCE No. |
| 1 | National Electricity Transmission System Security and  Quality of Supply Standard | Version [ ] |
| 2 | System Phasing | TPS 13/4 |
| 3 | Not used |  |
| 4 | Voltage fluctuations and the connection of disturbing  equipment to transmission systems and distribution networks in the United Kingdom | EREC P28 Issue 2 |
| 5 | EHV or HV Supplies to Induction Furnaces  Voltage unbalance limits. Harmonic current limits. | ER P16  (Supported by  ACE Report No.48) |
| 6 | Planning Levels for Harmonic Voltage Distortion and the Connection of Non-Linear Loads to Transmission Systems and Public Electricity Supply Systems in the United Kingdom  Harmonic distortion (waveform). Harmonic voltage distortion.  Harmonic current distortion. Stage 1 limits.  Stage 2 limits.  Stage 3 Limits Addition of Harmonics  Short Duration Harmonics  Site Measurements | ER G5 (Supported by ACE Report No.73) |
| 7 | AC Traction Supplies to British Rail  Type of supply point to railway system. Estimation of traction loads.  Nature of traction current.  System disturbance estimation. Earthing arrangements. | ER P24 |

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| ITEM No. | DOCUMENT | REFERENCE No. |
| 8 | Operational Memoranda  Main System operating procedure. Operational standards of security.  Voltage and reactive control on main system.  System warnings and procedures for instructed load reduction.  Continuous tape recording of system control telephone messages and instructions.  Emergency action in the event of an exceptionally serious breakdown of the main system. | (SOM) SOM 1  SOM 3  SOM 4  SOM 7  SOM 10  SOM 15 |
| 9 | Planning Limits for Voltage Unbalance in the United  Kingdom. | ER P29 |

## PART 2 - SPT's TECHNICAL AND DESIGN CRITERIA

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| ITEM No. | DOCUMENT | REFERENCE  No. |
| 1 | National Electricity Transmission System Security and  Quality of Supply Standard | Version [ ] |
| 2 | System Phasing | TDM 13/10,002  Issue 4 |
| 3 | Not used |  |
| 4 | Voltage fluctuations and the connection of disturbing  equipment to transmission systems and distribution networks in the United Kingdom | EREC P28 Issue 2 |
| 5 | EHV or HV Supplies to Induction Furnaces  Voltage Unbalance limits. Harmonic current limits. | ER P16  (Supported by  ACE Report No.48) |
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| 7 | AC Traction Supplies to British Rail  Type of supply point to railway system. Estimation of traction loads.  Nature of traction current.  System disturbance estimation. Earthing arrangements. | ER P24 |

# APPENDIX D - DATA NOT DISCLOSED TO A RELEVANT TRANSMISSION LICENSEE

PC.D.1 Pursuant to PC.3.4, **The Company** will not disclose to a **Relevant Transmission Licensee**

data items specified in the below extract:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| PC REFERENCE | DATA DESCRIPTION | UNITS | DATA CATEGORY |
| PC.A.3.2.2 (f) (i) | 1. For **GB Code Users**   The **Generator Performance Chart** at the  **Generating Unit** stator terminals   1. For **EU Code Users:-**   The **Power Generating Module Performance Chart**, and **Synchronous Generating Unit Performance Chart;** |  | **SPD** |
| PC.A.3.2.2 (b) | **Output Usable** (on a monthly basis) | MW | **SPD** |
| PC.A.5.3.2 (d)  Option 1 (iii) | GOVERNOR AND ASSOCIATED PRIME MOVER PARAMETERS  Option 1  BOILER & STEAM TURBINE DATA |  |  |
| Boiler time constant (Stored **Active Energy**) | S | **DPD II** |
| HP turbine response ratio: (Proportion of **Primary Response** arising from HP turbine) | % | **DPD II** |
| HP turbine response ratio: (Proportion of **High Frequency Response** arising from HP turbine) | % | **DPD II** |
| Part of PC.A.5.3.2 (d)  Option 2 (i) | Option 2  All **Generating Units (**including **Synchronous Generating Units** forming part of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**)  **Governor Deadband** or  (**Frequency Response Deadband** and **Frequency Response Insensitivity**)**\*** |  |  |
| - Maximum Setting | Hz | **DPD II** |
| - Normal Setting | Hz | **DPD II** |
| - Minimum Setting  \*(Note **GB Generators** who are not required to satisfy the requirements of the **European Connection Conditions** do not need to supply **Frequency Response Deadband** or **Frequency Response Insensitivity** data). | Hz | **DPD II** |
| Part of PC.A.5.3.2 (d)  Option 2 (ii) | **Steam Units** |  |  |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| PC REFERENCE | DATA DESCRIPTION | UNITS | DATA CATEGORY |
|  | Reheater Time Constant | sec | **DPD II** |
| Boiler Time Constant | sec | **DPD II** |
| HP Power Fraction | % | **DPD II** |
| IP Power Fraction | % | **DPD II** |
| Part of PC.A.5.3.2 (d)  Option 2 (iii) | **Gas Turbine Units**  Waste Heat Recovery Boiler Time Constant |  |  |
| Part of PC.A.5.3.2 (e) | UNIT CONTROL OPTIONS |  |  |
| Maximum droop | % | **DPD II** |
| Minimum droop | % | **DPD II** |
| Maximum **Governor Deadband** or (Maximum Frequency **Response Deadband** and Maximum **Frequency Response Insensitivity**)\* | ±Hz | **DPD II** |
| Normal **Governor Deadband** or (normal **Frequency Response Deadband** and normal **Frequency Response Insensitivity)**\* | ±Hz | **DPD II** |
| Minimum **Governor Deadband** or (minimum **Frequency ResponseDeadband** and minimum **Frequency Response Insensitivity**)\* | ±Hz | **DPD II** |
| Maximum Output **Governor Deadband** or (Maximum Output **Frequency Response Deadband** and Maximum Output **Frequency Response Insensitivity**)\* | ±MW | **DPD II** |
| Normal Output **Governor Deadband** or (Normal Output **Frequency Response Deadband** and Normal Output **Frequency Response Insensitivity)**\* | ±MW | **DPD II** |
| Minimum Output **Governor Deadband** or (Minimum Output **Frequency Response Deadband** and Minimum Output **Frequency Response Insensitivity**)\* | ±MW | **DPD II** |
| (Note **Generators** who are not required to satisfy the requirements of the **European Connection Conditions** do not need to supply **Frequency Response Deadband** and **Frequency Response Insensitivity** data).  Frequency settings between which Unit Load Controller droop applies: |  |  |
| Maximum | Hz | **DPD II** |
| Normal | Hz | **DPD II** |
| Minimum | Hz | **DPD II** |
| Sustained response normally selected | Yes/No | **DPD II** |
| PC.A.3.2.2 (f)  (ii) | Performance Chart of a **Power Park Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) at the connection point |  | **SPD** |

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| PC REFERENCE | DATA DESCRIPTION | UNITS | DATA CATEGORY |
| PC.A.3.2.2 (b) | **Output Usable** (on a monthly basis) | MW | **SPD** |
| PC.A.3.2.2 (e)  and (j) | **DC CONVERTER STATION** AND **HVDC SYSTEM**  DATA  **ACTIVE POWER** TRANSFER CAPABILITY (PC.A.3.2.2) |  |  |
| Import MW available in excess of **Registered Import Capacity**. | MW | **SPD** |
| Time duration for which MW in excess of **Registered Import Capacity** is available | Min | **SPD** |
| Export MW available in excess of **Registered Capacity**. | MW | **SPD** |
| Time duration for which MW in excess of **Registered Capacity** is available | Min | **SPD** |
| Part of PC.A.5.4.3.3 | LOADING PARAMETERS |  |  |
| MW Export | MW | **SPD** |
| Nominal loading rate | MW/s | **DPD I** |
| Maximum (emergency) loading rate | MW/s | **DPD I** |
| MW Import |  |  |
| Nominal loading rate | MW/s | **DPD I** |
| Maximum (emergency) loading rate | MW/s | **DPD I** |

# APPENDIX E - OFFSHORE TRANSMISSION SYSTEM AND OTSDUW PLANT AND APPARATUS TECHNICAL AND DESIGN CRITERIA

PC.E.1 In the absence of any relevant **Electrical Standards**, **Offshore Transmission Licensees** and **Generators** undertaking **OTSDUW** are required to ensure that all equipment used in the construction of their network is:

* 1. Fully compliant and suitably designed to any relevant **Technical Specification**;
  2. Suitable for use and operation in an **Offshore** environment, where such parts of the **Offshore Transmission System** and **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** are located in **Offshore Waters** and are not installed in an area that is protected from that **Offshore** environment, and
  3. Compatible with any relevant **Electrical Standards** or **Technical Specifications** at the

## Offshore Grid Entry Point and Interface Point.

PC.E.2 The table below identifies the technical and design criteria that will be used in the design and development of an **Offshore Transmission System** and **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**.

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| ITEM No. | DOCUMENT | REFERENCE No. |
| 1 | National Electricity Transmission System Security and Quality of  Supply Standard | Version [ ] |
| 2\* | Voltage fluctuations and the connection of disturbing equipment to transmission systems and distribution networks in the United  Kingdom | EREC P28 Issue 2 |
| 3\* | Planning Levels for Harmonic Voltage Distortion and the Connection of Non-Linear Loads to Transmission Systems and Public Electricity  Supply Systems in the United Kingdom | ER G5 |
| 4\* | Planning Limits for Voltage Unbalance in the United Kingdom | ER P29 |

\* Note:- Items 2, 3 and 4 above shall only apply at the **Interface Point**.

# APPENDIX F - OTSDUW DATA AND INFORMATION AND OTSDUW NETWORK DATA AND INFORMATION

PC.F.1 Introduction

PC.F.1.1 Appendix F specifies data requirements to be submitted to **The Company** by **Users** and

**Users** by **The Company** in respect of **OTSDUW**.

PC.F.1.2 Such **User** submissions shall be in accordance with the **OTSDUW Development and Data Timetable** in a **Construction Agreement**.

PC.F.1.3 Such submissions shall be issued to **The Company** with the offer of a **CUSC Contract** in the case of the data in Part 1 and otherwise in accordance with the **OTSDUW Development and Data Timetable** in a **Construction Agreement**.

PC.F.2. OTSDUW Network Data and Information

PC.F.2.1 With the offer of a **CUSC Contract** under the **OTSDUW Arrangements The Company** shall provide:

1. the site specific technical design and operational criteria for the **Connection Site**;
2. the site specific technical design and operational criteria for the **Interface Point**, and
3. details of **The Company’s** preliminary identification and consideration of the options available for the **Interface Point** in the context of the **User’s** application for connection or modification, the preliminary costs used by **The Company** in assessing such options and the **Offshore Works Assumption**s including the assumed **Interface Point** identified during these preliminary considerations.

PC.F.2.2 In accordance with the **OTSDUW Development and Data Timetable** in a **Construction Agreement The Company** shall provide the following information and data to a **User**:

1. equivalent of the fault infeed or fault level ratings at the Interface Point (as identified in the **Offshore Works Assumptions**)
2. notification of numbering and nomenclature of the **HV Apparatus** comprised in the

# OTSDUW;

* 1. past or present physical properties, including both actual and designed physical properties, of **Plant** and **Apparatus** forming part of the **National Electricity Transmission System** at the Interface Point at which the **OTSUA** will be connected to the extent it is required for the design and construction of the **OTSDUW**, including but not limited to:
  2. the voltage of any part of such **Plant** and **Apparatus**;
  3. the electrical current flowing in or over such **Plant** and **Apparatus**;
  4. the configuration of any part of such **Plant** and **Apparatus**
  5. the temperature of any part of such **Plant** and **Apparatus**;
  6. the pressure of any fluid forming part of such **Plant** and **Apparatus**
  7. the electromagnetic properties of such **Plant** and **Apparatus**; and
  8. the technical specifications, settings or operation of any **Protection Systems**

forming part of such **Plant** and **Apparatus**.

1. information necessary to enable the **User** to harmonise the **OTSDUW** with construction works elsewhere on the **National Electricity Transmission System** that could affect the **OTSDUW**;
2. information related to the current or future configuration of any circuits of the **Onshore Transmission System** with which the **OTSUA** are to connect;
3. any changes which are planned on the **National Electricity Transmission System** in the current or following six **Financial Years** and which will materially affect the planning or development of the **OTSDUW**.

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PC.F.2.3 At the **Users** reasonable request, additional information and data in respect of the **National Electricity Transmission System** shall be provided.

PC.F.2.4 OTSDUW Data And Information

PC.F.2.4.1 In accordance with the **OTSDUW Development and Data Timetable** in a **Construction Agreement**, the **User** shall provide to **The Company**, the following information and data relating to the **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** in accordance with Appendix A of the **Planning Code**.

**< END OF PLANNING CODE >**