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Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP) 12 December 2024

Grid Code Review Panel Minutes

Date: 12/12/2024	Location: Microsoft Teams
Start: 10:00 AM	End: 11:15 AM

Participants

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Trisha McAuley	TM	Independent Panel Chair
Sarah Carter	SC	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Sarah Williams	SW	Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator
Alan Creighton	AC	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Alastair Frew	AF	Panel Member, Generator Representative (for part of the meeting)
Claire Newton	CN	Panel Member, NESO
David Monkhouse	DM	Panel Member, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Graeme Vincent	GV	Alternate, Network Operator Representative
Gurpal Singh	GS	Authority Representative
John Harrower	JH	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Rashmi Radhakrishnan	RR	Panel Member, BSC Representative
Ross Kirkwood	RK	Panel Member, Onshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Sigrid Bolik	SB	Panel Member, Generator Representative

Apologies

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Matthew White	MW	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Darshak Shar	DS	Panel Member, Generator Representative

Presenters/Observers

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Frank Kasibante	FK	NESO Technical Codes, Presenting GC0176
Rebecca Scott	RS	NESO Resilience Engineer, Presenting GC0176
Kat Higham	KH	NESO Code Governance, Observer
Adegboyega Akomolafe	AA	Innovo Renewables, Observer
Allan Andrew	AA	RWE, Observer
Scott Green	SG	Drax, Observer

1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

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- 10687. Apologies were received from Matthew White and Darshak Shar
- 10688. The chair welcomed Kat Higham from NESO Code Governance and the new 2025 Panel members, who were all observing.
- 10689. No declarations of interest were received.

2. Minutes from previous meeting

- 10690. Due to the proximity of the last two meetings, the meeting minutes from the Grid Code Review Panel held on 28 November and 12 December will be approved in January.

3. Review of actions log

- 10691. The Grid Code Review Panel reviewed the open actions from the meeting held on 28 November 2024, which can be found on the Actions Log.
- 10692. The Panel agreed that Actions 456 and 465 should remain open.

4. Chair's update

- 10693. The Chair advised that there were no updates this month.

5. Authority Decisions

- 10694. GS advised the Panel that the consultation on GC0117 would be published on 14 January 2025, with the decision date expected on 25 March 2025.
- 10695. The expected decision date for GC0172 was advised as 12 February 2025.
- 10696. GS provided an Energy Code Reform update which advised that the Authority has published its consultation on code manager selection, which is being proposed as a three-stage process for both competitive and non-competitive selection. The consultation is available on the Ofgem website and will close on 30 January 2025.

6. New modifications

GC0176 - Introduction of Demand Control Rotation Protocol within Operating Code 6 of the Grid Code

- 10697. RS delivered a presentation on GC0176, which aims to make changes to OC6 to allow for the Demand Control Rotation Protocol (DCRP) to be formally recognised as a tool to manage shortfalls in electricity supply over an extended period of time (i.e. 3 to 24 hours).
- 10698. RS advised that, for national security reasons, NESO will be unable to publish the complete version of DCRP into the public domain.
- 10699. FK recommended a joint workgroup with the Distribution Code Review Panel and that, although no specific conversations had taken place, the Distribution Code Review Panel were aware of the Proposal. The Panel agreed with this Proposal.

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- 10700. The Panel agreed unanimously that GC0176 should follow the Standard Governance Route and proceed to Workgroup.
- 10701. The Panel agreed Terms of Reference for the Workgroup, with SW to circulate the collated list to Panel members for review.
- 10702. SC presented the timeline, with a Panel member raising that the proposed first Workgroup on 29 January 2025 would be before the next Distribution Code Review Panel meeting, suggested that it might be possible for the Terms of Reference to be agreed by email.

7. In flight modification updates

GC0164: Simplification of Operating Code No.2

- 10703. SW provided an update on GC0164 to confirm that, due to the Christmas period the Code Administrator Consultation had been extended by two weeks. This had been recommended by Panel members at the last meeting.

8. Workgroup Reports

- 10704. There were no updates for the Panel

9. Draft Final Modification Reports

GC0159: Introducing Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners

- 10705. SC presented the third Draft Final Modification Report for GC0159 to the Panel, noting that 8 Code Administrator Consultation responses had been received.
- 10706. The Panel reviewed the proposed legal text amendments and agreed that they were typographical and could be made.
- 10707. The Panel held their Recommendation Vote for GC0159 and agreed, by majority, that the Original Proposal better facilitates the Grid Code Objectives than the Baseline. The Final Modification Report will be issued to the Authority on 31 December 2024.

10. Discussion on Prioritisation

- 10708. The Panel reviewed the prioritisation stack. The updated Prioritisation Stack can be found via the following link: [Grid Code Prioritisation Stack - December 2024.xlsx](#)
- 10709. It was agreed, by majority, that **GC0176 - Introduction of Demand Control Rotation Protocol within Operating Code 6 of the Grid Code** should be added at position number 4 in the prioritisation stack.

11. Reports to Authority

- 10710. There were no reports to the Authority.

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12. Governance

10711. There were no updates for the Panel.

13. Grid Code Development Forum (GCDF)

10712. CN advised Panel that the GCDF was held on 04 December 2024 and covered modelling requirements for co-located sites, extension of user model submission for analysis and modelling to support the operationally critical system for the ENCC, as well as the Obligatory Reactive Power Service (ORPS) methodology review. The meeting papers and presentation can be found via the following link:
<https://www.neso.energy/industry-information/codes/grid-code-gc/grid-code-development-forum-gcdf>

10713. CN advised that the next GCDF meeting is planned for 05 February, with agenda items to be confirmed.

14. Standing Groups

Distribution Code Review Panel Update

10714. AC provided an update and advised that Work on EREC P2 (Security of Supply), which has links to GC0139 and SQSS Modification GSS029, was ongoing.
10715. Work on EREC G5 (Harmonics), which is referenced in the Grid Code, was ongoing.
10716. The Distribution Network Operators had met to discuss progressing the Accelerated Loss of Mains Change Programme.

Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

10717. SC stated that the JESG was held on 10 December 2024. The meeting materials can be found via the following link: [Joint European Stakeholder Group \(JESG\) - 10.12.2024](#)

15. Updates on other Industry Codes

10718. The Panel papers and Headline Report for the following meetings can be found at the below links:

- 13 November 2024 SQSS Panel [Papers and Headline Report](#)
- 27 November 2024 STC Panel (Cancelled)
- 29 November 2024 CUSC Panel [Papers and Headline Report](#)

10719. RR advised that, from a BSC perspective, work is continuing in the Market Facilitator space, with several workshops in place.

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10720. RR advised the BSC Panel had determined that P480 would be a Self-Governance modification proposal and approved P480 for implementation on 26 June 2025 as part of BSC Standard release. The Self-Governance appeal window opened on 14 November 2024 and closed on 06 December 2024. No appeals were received.

16. Challenges to Modification progress

10721. There were no updates for the Panel.

17. Horizon Scan

10722. There were no updates for the Panel.

18. Electrical Standards

10723. There were no updates for the Panel.

19. Code Administrator Update

10724. There were no updates for the Panel.

20. Any Other Business (AOB)

10725. The Chair expressed sincere thanks to Ross Kirkwood, Richard Woodward and Alastair Frew for their ongoing hard work and contributions to the Grid Code Review Panel, whilst also noting there will be great continuity with valued Panel members that have decided to continue into 2025.

The next Grid Code Review Panel meeting will be held on 30 January 2025 at Faraday House.

New Modification Proposals to be submitted by 15 January 2025.

Grid Code Review Panel Papers Day is 22 January 2025.