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Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP)

27 February 2025

Grid Code Review Panel Minutes

Date: 27/02/2025

Location: Microsoft Teams

Start: 10:00 AM

End: 12:20 PM

Participants

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Trisha McAuley	TM	Independent Panel Chair
Lizzie Timmins	LT	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Andrew Hemus	AH	Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator
Adegboyega Akomolafe	AA	Alternate, Generator Representative
Alan Creighton	AC	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Andrew Allan	AA	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Claire Newton	CN	Panel Member, NESO
Darshak Shah	DS	Alternate, Generator Representative
Fraser Scott	FS	Alternate, Onshore Transmission Owner
Graeme Vincent	GC	Alternate, Network Operator Representative
Gurpal Singh	GS	Authority Representative
John Harrower	JH	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Lewis Morgan	LM	Panel Member, Onshore Transmission Owner
Rashmi Radhakrishnan	RR	BSC Panel Representative
Robert Longden	RL	Panel Member, Supplier Representative
Scott Bull	SB	Alternate, Authority Representative
Scott Green	SG	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Sigrid Bolik	SiB	Panel Member, Generator Representative

Apologies

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Attendee	Initials	Representing
David Monkhouse	DM	Panel Member, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Matthew White	MW	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Sarah Williams	SW	Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator

Presenters / Observers

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Andrew Larkin	AL	Sygensys, Observer
Bieshoy Awad	BA	NESO, GC0155 Proposer
Lurrentia Walker	LW	Code Administrator, GC0174 Chair
Teri Puddefoot	TP	Code Administrator, GC0155 Chair
Matthew Larreta	ML	Code Administrator, Observer

1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

10769. Apologies were received from David Monkhouse, Matthew White and Sarah Williams.

10770. No declarations of interest were received.

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2. Approval of Previous Panel minutes

10771. The meeting minutes from the Grid Code Review Panel held on 30 January 2025 were approved, with the incorporation of minor amendments proposed by AC and CN.

3. Review of Actions Log

10772. LT gave an update on the open actions as follows:

10773. **Action 456 and 465** were recommended to remain open.

10774. **Action 467** recommended to close. The Panel agreed on the proviso that **Action 456** is expanded to be specific on the expectations of the Panel.

4. Chair's update

10775. The Chair advised that there were no updates this month.

5. Authority Decisions

10776. GC0117: Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across Great Britain by the creation of a pan-Great Britain commonality of Power Station requirements – GS advised that the Authority will be publishing a minded to decision consultation this week, with an expected Authority decision now due for 07 May 2025.

10777. GC0159: Introducing Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners – GS advised that the Authority decision is now expected before the end of March 2025.

10778. GC0172: Replacing references to Electricity Supply Industry Arbitration Association – GS advised that the Authority decision is now expected before the end of March 2025.

10779. GC0175: Removing references to "Fax" or "Facsimile" within the Grid Code – GS advised that the Authority decision is now expected before the end of March 2025.

10780. Energy Code Reform update – GS advised that Ofgem have recently published their consultation on a preliminary Strategic Direction Statement (SDS) and accompanying governance changes. Responses to the consultation must be submitted by 28 March 2025. During the consultation period, Ofgem will be holding workshops for stakeholders to discuss implementation of the preliminary SDS. Invitations to register for these workshops have been shared with Panel members through the Panel secretary.

6. New Modifications

10781. There were no new Modifications presented to the Panel.

7. In flight modification Updates

GC0139: Enhanced Planning-Data Exchange to Facilitate Whole System Planning

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10782. The Panel agreed the revised timeline to allow for the subgroup to review the Workgroup Consultation responses and investigate whether the implementation date is feasible for all parties. LT advised that the subgroup will also be convening to review the legal text further.

GC0155: Clarification of Fault Ride Through Technical Requirements

10783. The Proposer presented a request to split the Temporary Over-Voltage (TOV) element from GC0155. The Proposer confirmed only minor and manageable interaction between this element and the remaining elements of GC0155, confirming they can be taken forward independently of each other.

10784. LT confirmed that splitting a modification into two modifications and adding more scope to the new modification can be done under the Grid Code Governance Rules.

10785. Following significant discussion on the background and rationale for the proposed change, with a number of questions put to the Proposer and Code Governance, the Panel agreed to the Proposer's request to split out the Temporary Over-Voltage (TOV) element from GC0155, and for this element to be raised in a new Modification which would allow for the scope of the TOV element to be widened.

10786. The Panel requested the Proposer consider Terms of Reference (ToR) for the new Modification and to review the GC0155 ToR following the Panel decision to remove the TOV element. TP advised that both ToRs would be provided to Panel for review ahead of the next Panel meeting.

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

10787. The Panel agreed to the request to update the Modification title as submitted in the Panel papers.

10788. LW provided an overview of GC0174, noting that as the modification has a Limited Membership Workgroup, the Panel are required to review the Workgroup Consultation prior to publication to industry.

10789. The Panel agreed for the Modification to proceed to Workgroup Consultation.

10790. LT noted that the Code Administrator will formally seek nominations during the Workgroup consultation period.

10791. The Panel agreed that, if quoracy is not reached following the request for nominations, the Workgroup will continue as a Limited Membership Workgroup following the Workgroup Consultation.

8. Workgroup Reports

10792. There were no Workgroup Reports presented to the Panel.

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9. Draft Final Modification Report

GC0164: Simplification of Operating Code No.2

10793. LT presented the Draft Final Modification Report for GC0164 to the Panel, noting that legal text comments had been received during the Code Administrator Consultation.

10794. The Panel agreed that some of the proposed changes in the legal text are not typographical and should be reviewed through the Workgroup, followed by a second Code Administrator Consultation.

10795. LT requested that the Panel review the changes to Balancing Code 1 and Balancing Code 2 to form a view on whether they constitute an amendment to the Regulated Sections of the Grid Code.

10796. There was a detailed discussion on what constitutes an amendment to Regulated Sections of the Grid Code, with disagreement among Panel members on the interpretation of this in the context of GC0164. Panel members were asked to indicate their views by vote, and the Panel agreed by majority that the proposed changes constitute an amendment to the Regulated Sections.

10797. SB confirmed that the Authority believe this modification should proceed as self-governance with a decision by the Panel.

10798. LT advised that the Proposer would review the legal text and determine next steps on the modification's Governance Route, prior to returning to the Panel with an updated timeline.

10. Prioritisation Stack

10799. The Panel reviewed the prioritisation stack. The Panel agreed that GC0164 should remain in its previous position before its Code Administration Consultation and the numbering was updated accordingly. The updated Prioritisation Stack can be found via the [following link](#)

11. Reports to the Authority

10800. There were no updates for the Panel.

12. Implementation Update

10801. There were no updates for the Panel.

13. Governance

10802. There were no updates for the Panel.

14. Grid Code Development Forum

10803. CN updated the Panel on discussions from the meeting on the 05 February 2025 which discussed the following items:

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10804. Proposed Changes to User Data Submissions Feedback Period (STCP19-3) – CN advised that the technical codes team will review feedback provided at GCDF to agree a way forward.
10805. Changes to OC6 to allow for site protection of pre-designated protected customers for Automatic Low Frequency Demand Disconnection – CN advised that this received good feedback from stakeholders and the Proposer is working on raising a Modification.
10806. Rationalising Balancing Code 4 (BC4) and Balancing Code 5 (BC5) from the Grid Code – CN advised that this Modification is due to be raised in March 2025.
10807. CN advised that the 05 March 2025 GCDF has been cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.
10808. The next GCDF is scheduled for 2 April 2025.

15. Standing Groups

Distribution Code Review Panel Update

10809. AC advised that updates to EREC P29 (voltage unbalance) and EREC G5 (harmonics) are ongoing. AC also advised that the accelerated Loss of Mains change group has reconvened.

Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

10810. LT advised that the JESG meeting took place on 11 February 2025 and that the next meeting was due to take place on 11 February 2025. [Meeting materials and Headline Report](#)

16. Updates on other Industry Codes

10811. LT advised that the Panel papers and Headline report for the following meetings can be found at the below links:
- 29 January 2025 **[STC Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)**
 - 31 January 2025 **[CUSC Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)**
 - 14 February 2025 **[STC Special Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)**
 - 14 February 2025 **[CUSC Special Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)**
 - 24 February 2025 **[CUSC Special Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)**
10812. RR advised that there is no BSC update at this time.

17. Challenges to Modification Progress

10813. LT presented a challenges to Modification slide, covering modification delays over the past quarter. The Panel had no comments on this.

18. Horizon Scan

10814. LT presented a Horizon Scan slide. The Panel had no comments on this.

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19. Electrical Standards

10815. LT gave an Electrical Standard update and reminded the Panel that the deadline for comments is 5pm on 03 March 2025. LT also advised that the Electrical Standards would return to the March 2025 Grid Code Review Panel for broad consensus on the comments received so far.

20. Code Administrator Update

10816. LT presented a Report Template refresh to Panel and highlighted the changes made.

10817. LT shared details of the latest update to the digitalisation of the Grid Code with a new online Modification Proposal form now live and available.

10818. The Chair and Panel provided feedback that the transition to the new platform should be smoother and better communicated, and Word modification templates should still be available while this transition proceeds. LT advised that a member of the digital team would be invited to provide an update on this at the next Panel meeting.

21. Any Other Business (AOB)

10819. LT confirmed that no AOB had been submitted.

22. Close

10820. The Chair thanked the Panel for their time and contribution and brought the meeting to a close.

The next Grid Code Review Panel meeting will be held on 27 March 2025 on Teams.

New Modification Proposals to be submitted by 12 March 2025.

Grid Code Review Panel Papers Day is 19 March 2025.