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Final Self-Governance Modification Report		
<h1>GC0177: Planning and Operational Compliance Contacts</h1> <p>Overview: This modification will mandate the submission of Planning and Operational Compliance contact details by Users as part of the Compliance Process and Compliance Repeat Process.</p>	<h2>Modification process & timetable</h2>	
	1	Proposal Form 13 January 2025
	2	Code Administrator Consultation 04 February 2025 – 04 March 2025
	3	Draft Final SG Modification Report 19 March 2025
	4	Final SG Modification Report / Appeals Window 09 April 2025 – 02 May 2025
5	Implementation 19 May 2025	
<p>Have 10 minutes? Read the full Final SG Modification Report</p> <p>Have 20 minutes? Read the full Final SG Modification Report and Annexes.</p>		
<p>Status summary: The Panel has made their determination vote and an appeals window has opened.</p>		
<p>Panel determination: The Panel has determined unanimously that the Proposer’s solution is implemented.</p>		
<p>This modification is expected to have a: Low impact on Generators, Interconnectors, National Energy System Operator</p>		
<p>Modification drivers: Efficiency, System Planning</p>		
Governance route	Self-Governance modification which proceeded to Code Administrator Consultation	
Who can I talk to about the change?	<p>Proposer: Rhiannon Whitty Rhiannon.whitty@nationalenergyso.com</p>	<p>Code Administrator Chair: Sarah Williams Sarah.williams@nationalenergyso.com</p>
Appeals window	If you want to appeal this decision, please send your appeals form and relevant documentary evidence to industrycodes@ofgem.gov.uk by 5pm on 02 May 2025 and ensure you copy in grid.code@nationalenergyso.com	

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What is the issue?

NESO Network Access Planning require confirmation of Generator and Interconnector planning contact details to allow them to share impact assessments for network outages.

NESO Electricity Connections Compliance Team require confirmation of Generator and Interconnector Operational Compliance Contact details to facilitate data and information sharing of Frequency Response (Ancillary Service Monitoring – ASM), Dynamic System Monitoring (DSM) and Fault Ride Through (FRT) following system events.

Why change?

There is no requirement under the Compliance Process or Compliance Repeat Plan for Generators and Interconnectors to provide planning contact details or Operational Compliance contact details prior to connection. Additionally, many Generators and Interconnectors do not provide updated contact details following staff changes or a change in Ownership. This introduces delays and inefficiencies into planning network outages as essential third-party agreement cannot be obtained. Delays have also been experienced in post-event investigations due to lack of Operational Compliance contact details for Generators and Interconnectors.

What is the solution?

An addition to CC/ECC.5.2.1 to bring this requirement into the Compliance Process and an addition to CP/ECP.8.2 to bring this requirement into the Compliance Repeat Plan.

Legal text

Full legal text can be found in **Annex 2**.

What is the impact of this change?

Proposer's assessment against Grid Code Objectives

Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(i) To permit the development, maintenance and operation of an efficient, coordinated and	Positive

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economical system for the transmission of electricity	Change will improve efficiency in Network Access Planning and post-system event investigations.
(ii) Facilitating effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity (and without limiting the foregoing, to facilitate the national electricity transmission system being made available to persons authorised to supply or generate electricity on terms which neither prevent nor restrict competition in the supply or generation of electricity);	Neutral No impact on competition anticipated.
(iii) Subject to sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii), to promote the security and efficiency of the electricity generation, transmission and distribution systems in the national electricity transmission system operator area taken as a whole;	Positive The change will improve efficiency in Network Access Planning and support an increase in generators having visibility of transmission outages and their expected impact. It will also support system security as post-event investigations will be concluded in a timely manner.
(iv) To efficiently discharge the obligations imposed upon the licensee by this license and to comply with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency; and	Positive Under Special Licence Condition 2.5 NESO must act consistently with the TOs' Network Access Policy. The TOs' Network Access Policy (section 6.2) specifies that ESO have a key role in liaising with impacted stakeholders and must share formal outage notifications with them. Updating planning contacts will improve this process.
(v) To promote efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Grid Code arrangements	Neutral No impact anticipated

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Code Administrator Consultation Summary

The Code Administrator Consultation was issued on the 04 February 2025, closed on 04 March 2025 and received 1 response. A summary of the response can be found in the table below, and the full response can be found in **Annex 4**.

Code Administrator Consultation summary	
Question	
Do you believe that the GC0177 Original Proposal better facilitates the Grid Code Applicable Objectives?	The respondent believed the Original Proposal better facilitated the Grid Code Applicable Objectives i, iii and iv.
Do you support the proposed implementation approach?	The respondent supported the proposed implementation approach.
Do you have any other comments?	No other comments were made in the Code Administrator Consultation response.
Legal text issues raised in the consultation	
No legal text issues were raised.	
EBR issues raised in the consultation	
No EBR issues were raised.	

Panel Determination vote

The Panel met on 27 March 2025 to carry out their determination vote.

They assessed whether a change should be made to the Grid Code by assessing the proposed change against the Applicable Objectives.

Vote 1: Does the Original facilitate the Applicable Objectives better than the Baseline?

Panel Member: **Adegboyega Akomolafe, Generator Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)

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Original	Yes	Neutral	Yes	Yes	Neutral	Yes
Voting Statement						
This modification will improve the flow of timely information and agreement between parties by ensuring the right contact details are provided.						

Panel Member: **Claire Newton, National Energy System Operator Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Neutral	Yes	Yes	Neutral	Yes
Voting Statement						
The change will improve efficiency in Network Access Planning, and system security as post-event investigations will be concluded in a timely manner.						

Panel Member: **David Monkhouse, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Neutral	Yes	Yes	Neutral	Yes
Voting Statement						
The need for up to date contact details to communicate with a User's site, for the management of outages and for post-incident investigation work seems a perfectly sensible requirement.						

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Panel Member: **Darshak Shah, Generator Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Yes	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Yes
Voting Statement						
No voting statement provided.						

Panel Member: **Fraser Scott, Onshore Transmission Owner**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Neutral	Yes	Yes	Neutral	Yes
Voting Statement						
The modification will reduce potential delays and improve efficiency of network access planning and post-event investigations by adding the requirement to provide and maintain up-to-date contact details.						

Panel Member: **Graeme Vincent, Network Operator Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Neutral	Yes	Yes	Neutral	Yes
Voting Statement						

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The proposed modification will ensure that NESO have the appropriate User contacts to allow them to undertake operational and network planning tasks and post event data sharing in an efficient and timeously manner.

Panel Member: **John Harrower, Generator Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Neutral	Yes
Voting Statement						
Change will improve efficiency in network planning communications and post-event investigations.						

Panel Member: **Richard Wilson, Network Operator Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Neutral	Yes	Yes	Neutral	Yes
Voting Statement						
The generators and interconnectors should have to provide contact details and ensure they are updated accordingly in line with those required by NESO, TOs and DNOs.						

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Panel Member: **Robert Longden, Supplier Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Neutral	Yes	Yes	Neutral	Yes
Voting Statement						
The modification will ensure that Planning and Operational Compliance contact details are properly managed and maintained. As such it will aid network access planning, system security and post event recovery processes.						

Panel Member: **Sigrid Bolik, Generator Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (i)?	Better facilitates AO (ii)?	Better facilitates AO (iii)?	Better facilitates AO (iv)?	Better facilitates AO (v)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Neutral	Yes	Neutral	Neutral	Yes
Voting Statement						
Providing a clear contact will reduce delays in information sharing and assessments. It is also supporting information is made available to relevant personal.						

Vote 2 – Which option best meets the Applicable Objectives?

Panel Member	Best Option	Which objectives does this option better facilitate? (If baseline not applicable).
Adegboyega Akomolafe	Original	i, iii and iv
Claire Newton	Original	i, iii and iv
David Monkhouse	Original	i, iii and iv

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Darshak Shah	Original	i and iv
Fraser Scott	Original	i, iii and iv
Graeme Vincent	Original	i, iii and iv
John Harrower	Original	i and iv
Richard Wilson	Original	i, iii and iv
Robert Longden	Original	i, iii and iv
Sigrid Bolik	Original	i and iii

Panel conclusion

The Panel has determined unanimously that the Proposer's solution is implemented.

When will this change take place?

Implementation date

19 May 2025.

Date decision required by

Unanimous decision was made by the Grid Code Review Panel on 27 March 2025.

Implementation approach

An update to the Operational Notification Compliance Checklist (ONCC) will be needed to bring these requirements into the Compliance Process.

An update to the Compliance Process Inaugural Meeting presentation will be needed to give Users early visibility of the requirement.

An update to the Compliance Repeat Plan Letter will be needed to make Users aware of this requirement.

An update to the Compliance Repeat Plan will be needed to bring this requirement into the process.

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Interactions

☐ CUSC ☐ BSC ☐ STC ☐ SQSS
☐ European Network ☐ EBR Article 18 ☐ Other ☐ Other
Codes T&Cs¹ modifications

No interaction with other codes, industry documents, modifications or industry projects anticipated.

Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Acronym / key term	Meaning
ASM	Ancillary Services Monitoring
BSC	Balancing and Settlement Code
CUSC	Connection and Use of System Code
DSM	Dynamic System Monitoring
EBR	Electricity Balancing Regulation
FRT	Fault Ride Through
GC	Grid Code
ONCC	Operational Notification Compliance Checklist
STC	System Operator Transmission Owner Code
SQSS	Security and Quality of Supply Standards
T&Cs	Terms and Conditions
TO	Transmission Owner
UDFS	User Data File Structure

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Annexes

Annex	Information
Annex 1	GC0177 Proposal form
Annex 2	GC0177 Legal Text
Annex 3	GC0177 Self-Governance statement
Annex 4	GC0177 Code Administrator Consultation response