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<h2 style="margin: 0;">PM097 ‘STCP18-1 Process Improvement Process Administration Improvements’</h2>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: #00a651; color: white; border-radius: 10px; padding: 5px 15px; font-weight: bold;">01</div> <div style="background-color: #00a651; color: white; border-radius: 10px; padding: 5px 10px; font-size: 0.8em;">Initial STCP Modification Proposal Form</div> </div>
<p>Purpose of Modification: This proposal seeks to make administrative changes and process improvements to STCP 18-1 ‘Connection and Modification Application’. It aims is to make the process reflective of current working practise by removing the requirement to establish an Application Steering Group to oversee each individual application. In addition, it is proposed that the requirement to communicate by post and for the SO to formally notify the TO where it does not intend to forward revised Planning Assumptions based on an individual application shall be removed from the procedure.</p>	
	<p>The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved and implemented at the June STC Panel meeting (28 June 2017)
	<p>High Impact: No</p>
	<p>Medium Impact: NO</p>
	<p>Low Impact: Transmission Owners and System Operator</p>

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The Code Administrator recommends the following timetable:		
Proposal Form Submitted to Code Administrator for review	21 June 2017	 07767 851 658
Proposal form submitted to STC Panel Secretary	21 June 2017	
STCP's are presented and approved by the Panel	28 June 2017	
Sign off	By 5 July 2017	
Implementation	By 5 July 2017	

1 Summary

1.1 The procedure currently requires the establishment of an Application Steering Group to oversee the process for each individual application. This mechanism is considered inefficient and outdated. Compliance with the overall process can be achieved by a combination of a single Lead Person(s) nominated by each party to oversee the process on their behalf. The benefit of this proposal is the saving in manpower costs and administration time for both the TO and SO in convening the Steering Group to review each application on an individual basis.

2 Governance

2.1 ADD IN PROCESS TO BE USED:

Next Steps

Section B 7.3 states amendments for an STCP need approval from the STC Modification Panel.

3 Why Change?

3.1 The changes seeks to remove the requirement for establishment of a Steering Group to manage the interactions between SO/TO in favour of a more efficient process led by a single nominated person acting on behalf of each party involved in handing any application. The obligations of the Steering Group shall be assumed by the single nominated person.

4 Impacts & Other Considerations

In advance of submission the proposer contacted each STC party on an individual basis to discuss the proposed changes.

STC Parties' Assessments

National Grid

Offshore Transmission Owners (OFTOs)

Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc (SHET)

SP Transmission Limited plc. (SPT)

Impact on STC/STCPS

Relevant Objectives

Impact of the modification on the STC Objectives and STCP Assessment Criteria	
Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(a) efficient discharge of the obligations imposed upon transmission licensees by transmission licences and the Act	Positive

(b) development, maintenance and operation of an efficient, economical and coordinated system of electricity transmission	None
(c) facilitating effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity, and (so far as consistent therewith) facilitating such competition in the distribution of electricity	None
(d) protection of the security and quality of supply and safe operation of the national electricity transmission system insofar as it relates to interactions between transmission licensees	None
(e) promotion of good industry practice and efficiency in the implementation and administration of the arrangements described in the STC.	Positive
(f) facilitation of access to the national electricity transmission system for generation not yet connected to the national electricity transmission system or distribution system;	None
(g) compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency.	None

In addition for an STCP Change, Section B 7.3.2 details that the following should be considered:

Provision	View of the Proposer
the amendment or addition does not impair, frustrate or invalidate the provisions of the Code	Agree
the amendment or addition does not impose new obligations or liabilities or restrictions of a material nature on Relevant Parties which are not subsidiary to the rights and obligations of the Relevant Parties under the Code	Agree
the amendment or addition is not inconsistent or in conflict with the Code, Transmission Licence Conditions or other relevant statutory requirements	Agree
the Relevant Party Representatives deem that the amendment or addition is appropriate to support compliance with the Code	Agree

The Proposer believes that this change will better facilitate relevant objective(s) A & E and Section B 7.3.2 is satisfied by demonstrating greater efficiencies in the areas of work management within individual STC parties and as well as areas of collective responsibility of all STC parties.

5 Implementation

PM096 would be implemented following the approval by the STC Modification Panel.

6 Legal Text

Please refer to the track marked changed STCP18-1.

7 Recommendation

Approve the STCP changes are made.