

**Frequency Changes during Large System Disturbances Workgroup Meeting 15
27 February 2014
Teleconference**

Attendees

Name	Initials	Company
Mike Kay	MK	Chairman
Robyn Jenkins	RJ	Technical Secretary
Graham Stein	GS	National Grid
Adam Dyśko	AD	Strathclyde University
Julian Wayne	JW	Ofgem
Martin Lee	ML	SSEPD
Joe Duddy	JD	RES
Andy Hood	AH	Western Power Distribution
Greg Middleton	GM	Deep Sea Electronics

Apologies

Name	Initials	Company
Mick Walbank	MW	Northern Powergrid
Paul Newton	PN	EON
Gareth Evans	GE	Ofgem
John Turnbull	JT	EDF Energy
Campbell McDonald	CM	SSE Generation
Mick Chowns	MC	RWE
Alastair Martin	Amar	Flexitricity
John Knott	JK	SP Energy Networks
Jane McArdle	JM	SSE Renewables
John Ruddock	JR	Deep Sea Electronics
Alan Mason	AMas	Repower

Phase 1 Update

MK updated the Workgroup on discussions with Ofgem since the last Workgroup meeting. He noted that Ofgem would be more comfortable if there is a further Industry Consultation to provide the industry an opportunity to review the legal text given the changes since the last consultation, additionally the G59 drafting was not consulted on in September so it seems appropriate to do so. MK suggested that this would be a short consultation on the Distribution Code legal text and G59 text with an appendix setting out the material which provides the basis for the change including the responses to the original consultation.

GS noted that the Workgroup needs to determine the steps necessary to publish a consultation, including who will review it. GS added that deciding on the process for reacting to any consultation responses is also necessary. GS noted that he anticipates the DCRP will still need to approve the Report to the Authority before submission to Ofgem. MK suggested that, as the consultation is primarily on just legal text then the Workgroup should be able to quickly review by email and lack of response will be taken as consensus. The Workgroup agreed with this approach.

GS sought confirmation that the current version of the legal text is finalised and can be included in the report. MK noted that the text had been circulated and the Workgroup provided some positive feedback so this version can be included. GS agreed to liaise with MK regarding the sections of G59 which should be included. GS added that he would circulate a draft consultation next week and would like to publish the finished version by 14 March 2014.

ML noted that he wrote a draft consultation when submitting changes to the G59 text but that does not seem to have been circulated. GS noted that he has a copy and will make use of it when writing this new consultation. GS noted that if the consultation is published by the 14 March, it would close on 11 April so there may need to be an extraordinary DCRP around Easter to approve the final report. MK suggested that approval could be sought at the next planned DCRP at the end of March. JW added that ofgem feel the consultation only needs to be 3 weeks long. MK noted that as the consultation will close around the time of the next Workgroup meeting and the group should aim to do as much possible by circulation following the consultation. GS added that Workgroup members need to be aware that there is a potential need to look at responses in short timescales in addition there may be some comments which are outside the ToR. MK noted that they may be comments regarding costs, and he is expecting the DCRP to have a conversation about that as it seems appropriate to air the concerns there.

RJ noted that letters thanking those who responded to the first consultation have been drafted and need approval from MK. RJ added that they are based on sections of the draft Report to the Authority, so there is not any new information within them. MK requested that, when they are published, they are copied to the Workgroup members for information.

JW noted that the Distribution code legal text references a lot of the changes to 1 April 2014, as this seems unlikely to be achieved JW queried what the process would be. MK noted that he had assumed the date would be changed to 1 July based on submitting to Ofgem by mid-April and receiving approval by the end of July. JW asked whether the 2016 implementation would also change. MK agreed that it would.

Phase 2 Update

GS noted that the Workgroup needs to arrange having some people attend the meeting from alternator and/or inverter manufacturers to present their issues and bring the Workgroup up to speed on some of their questions.

MK added that there is a need liaise with the ENA to ensure that phase 2 progresses and the invitation to tender been issued by the next meeting meaning there is unlikely to be much to discuss, instead the bulk of the meeting will be given over to the guest presenters. MK added the tender returns should be received by April, at which point they, and the rest of the work plan can be discussed.

Outstanding Actions

Discussion around the outstanding actions has been captured on the Actions Log.

Dates of following meeting.

MK confirmed that the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 26 March in Manchester.