

Final Self-Governance Modification Report

GC0157: Housekeeping Modification

Overview: This Proposal seeks to make minor changes to the Grid Code to correct errors identified in previous Grid Code changes.

It also presents, for information only, an amended housekeeping process that will be used by the ESO going forward.

Modification process & timetable

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Proposal Form

13 June 2022

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Code Administrator Consultation

08 July 2022 – 08 August 2022

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Draft SG Final Modification Report

17 August 2022

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Final SG Modification Report

25 August 2022

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Appeals Window

07 September 2022–28 September 2022

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Implementation

06 October 2022

Have 5 minutes? Read our [Executive summary](#)

Have 15 minutes? Read the full [Final Self-Governance Modification Report](#)

Have 30 minutes? Read the full Final Self-Governance Report and Annexes.

Status summary: The Panel has made their determination and the appeals window is open until 5pm 28 September 2022.

Panel Recommendation: The Panel unanimously determined that the Proposer's solution should be implemented.

This modification is expected to have a: **Low impact**

Negligible impact on all Grid Code Users.

Modification drivers: Quality and accuracy.

Governance route Self-Governance, straight to Code Administrator Consultation

Who can I talk to about the change?

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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 28 September 2022 and inform the Code Administrator by emailing grid.code@nationalgrideso.com that an appeal has been submitted.

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Executive summary

What is the issue?

Historical errors, introduced into the Grid Code as part of code changes to implement previous modifications, can lead to the Grid Code being harder to read than necessary or is of reduced quality.

What is the solution and when will it come into effect?

Proposer's solution:

The proposer recommends that this modification should implement currently identified housekeeping changes in the Grid Code. This will improve the accuracy and quality of the code.

Implementation date:

6 October 2022.

Panel determination: The Panel unanimously determined that the Proposer's solution should be implemented.

What is the impact if this change is made?

Negligible impact on all Grid Code Users.

Interactions

No interactions with other Codes.

What is the issue?

Historical errors, introduced into the Grid Code as part of code changes to implement previous modifications, can lead to the Grid Code being harder to read than necessary or is of reduced quality. A summary of the proposed changes are set out in Appendix A.

Why change?

This change is required to correct errors identified in previous Grid Code changes.

What is the solution?

Proposer's solution

The proposer recommends that this modification should: Implement these housekeeping changes in the Grid Code. This will improve the accuracy and quality of the Grid Code.

Legal text

The legal text for this change can be found in Appendix D.

What is the impact of this change?

Proposer's assessment against Grid Code Objectives	
Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(a) To permit the development, maintenance, and operation of an efficient, coordinated and economical system for the transmission of electricity	Neutral
(b) 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
(c) Subject to sub-paragraphs (a) and (b), 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;	Neutral
(d) 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	Neutral
(e) To promote efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Grid Code arrangements	Positive Some of the current housekeeping issues will be resolved.

Proposer's assessment of the impact of the modification on the stakeholder / consumer benefit categories

Stakeholder / consumer benefit categories	Identified impact
Improved safety and reliability of the system	Neutral
Lower bills than would otherwise be the case	Neutral
Benefits for society as a whole	Neutral
Reduced environmental damage	Neutral
Improved quality of service	Positive Improved quality of the Grid Code.

Code Administrator Consultation Summary

The Code Administrator Consultation was issued on the 8 July 2022 closed on 8 August 2022 and received one non-confidential response from the Proposer (ESO) in support of the modification. No late responses were received. A summary of the response can be found in the table below, and the full response can be found in Annex 3.

Code Administrator Consultation summary	
Question	
Do you believe that GC0157 Original proposal better facilitates the Applicable Objectives?	The respondent stated that the change would better facilitate Grid Code Objective (e), by improving the quality, accuracy and therefore efficiency of the Grid Code.
Do you support the proposed implementation approach?	Yes
Do you have any other comments?	This will improve the speed in which housekeeping changes are attended to in the future.
Legal text issues raised in the consultation	
No issues were raised regarding the legal text.	
EBR issues raised in the consultation	
No EBR issues were raised in the consultation.	

Panel determination vote

The Panel met on the 25 August 2022 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 objectives better than the Baseline?

Panel Member: **Alastair Frew: Generator**

	Better facilitates AO (a)?	Better facilitates AO (b)?	Better facilitates AO (c)?	Better facilitates AO (d)?	Better facilitates AO (e)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Yes
Voting Statement						
This is a housing modification and the changes are just clarifications.						

Panel Member: **Christopher Smith: Offshore Transmission Licensee**

	Better facilitates AO (a)?	Better facilitates AO (b)?	Better facilitates AO (c)?	Better facilitates AO (d)?	Better facilitates AO (e)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Yes
Voting Statement						
This a worthwhile tidying up exercise.						

Panel Member: **John Harrower: Generator**

	Better facilitates AO (a)?	Better facilitates AO (b)?	Better facilitates AO (c)?	Better facilitates AO (d)?	Better facilitates AO (e)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Yes
Voting Statement						
This modification makes minor changes to correct previously identified housekeeping errors. On the procedure for future housekeeping changes, any housekeeping changes proposed and incorporated into a future modification should be clearly identified separately from the core modification legal text change proposals and the incorporation of housekeeping changes would require the approval of the proposer.						

Panel Member: **Robert Longden: Supplier**

	Better facilitates AO (a)?	Better facilitates AO (b)?	Better facilitates AO (c)?	Better facilitates AO (d)?	Better facilitates AO (e)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Yes
Voting Statement						
In correcting some historical errors, GC0157 will improve the quality and accuracy of the Grid Code.						

Panel Member: **Rob Wilson: National Grid ESO**

	Better facilitates AO (a)?	Better facilitates AO (b)?	Better facilitates AO (c)?	Better facilitates AO (d)?	Better facilitates AO (e)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Yes
Voting Statement						
This is a very minor housekeeping modification to resolve historical errors in previous implementations. The revised process that has been presented for information as part of the modification will help to stay on top of any future housekeeping issues and is to be welcomed.						

Panel Member: **Roddy Wilson: Onshore Transmission Licensee**

	Better facilitates AO (a)?	Better facilitates AO (b)?	Better facilitates AO (c)?	Better facilitates AO (d)?	Better facilitates AO (e)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Yes
Voting Statement						
Facilitates GCO (v) by removing anomalies and inconsistencies within the Grid Code text.						

Panel Member: **Sigrid Bolik: Generator**

	Better facilitates AO (a)?	Better facilitates AO (b)?	Better facilitates AO (c)?	Better facilitates AO (d)?	Better facilitates AO (e)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Yes	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Yes
Voting Statement						
The corrections are considered housekeeping from previous changes and supports clarity.						

Panel Member: **Graeme Vincent (on behalf of Steve Cox): Network Operator Representative**

	Better facilitates AO (a)?	Better facilitates AO (b)?	Better facilitates AO (c)?	Better facilitates AO (d)?	Better facilitates AO (e)?	Overall (Y/N)
Original	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Yes	Yes
Voting Statement						
This modification corrects minor errors which have been introduced, unintentionally to the Grid Code via previous modifications.						

Vote 2 – Which option is the best?

Panel Member	BEST Option?	Which objectives does this option better facilitate? (If baseline not applicable).
Alastair Frew	Original	(e)
Christopher Smith	Original	(e)
John Harrower	Original	(e)
Robert Longden	Original	(e)
Rob Wilson	Original	(e)
Roddy Wilson	Original	(e)
Sigrid Bolik	Original	(a), (e)
Graeme Vincent	Original	(e)

Panel conclusion

The Panel unanimously determined that the Proposer's solution should be implemented.

When will this change take place?

Implementation date

6 October 2022.

Date decision required by

6 October 2022.

Implementation approach

Self-Governance. These changes are not material.

Interactions

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grid Code | <input type="checkbox"/> BSC | <input type="checkbox"/> STC | <input type="checkbox"/> SQSS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> European
Network Codes | <input type="checkbox"/> EBGL Article 18
T&Cs ¹ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other
modifications | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Acronym / key term	Meaning
BSC	Balancing and Settlement Code
CUSC	Connection and Use of System Code
EBR	Electricity Balancing Regulation
GC	Grid Code
STC	System Operator Transmission Owner Code
SQSS	Security and Quality of Supply Standards
T&Cs	Terms and Conditions

Reference material

- Appendix A – Legal Text Changes Summary
- Appendix B – Historic Housekeeping Register
- Appendix C – Process map for new housekeeping process (for information only)
- Appendix D – Legal text

Annexes

Annex	Information
Annex 1	Proposal form
Annex 2	Self-Governance statement
Annex 3	Code Administrator Consultation response

¹ If the modification has an impact on Article 18 T&Cs, it will need to follow the process set out in Article 18 of the European Electricity Balancing Guideline (EBGL – EU Regulation 2017/2195) – the main aspect of this is that the modification will need to be consulted on for 1 month in the Code Administrator Consultation phase. N.B. This will also satisfy the requirements of the NCER process.