

Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP)

22 August 2024

Grid Code Review Panel Minutes

Date: 22/08/2024	Location: Microsoft Teams / Faraday House
Start: 10:00 AM	End: 10:50 AM

Participants

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Trisha McAuley	TM	Independent Panel Chair
Lizzie Timmins	LT	Panel Secretary, ESO Code Administrator
Sarah Williams	SW	Panel Technical Secretary, ESO Code Administrator
Alastair Frew	AF	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Claire Newton	CN	Panel Member, National Grid ESO
Darshak Shah	DS	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Donald Eide	DE	Alternate, Authority Representative
Graeme Vincent	GV	Alternate, Network Operator Representative
Gurpal Singh	GS	Authority Representative
John Harrower	JH	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Nadir Hafeez	NH	Authority Representative
Rashmi Radhakrishnan	RR	Panel Member, BSC Representative
Robert Longden	RL	Panel Member, Supplier Representative
Ross Kirkwood	RK	Panel Member, Onshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Shazia Akhtar	SA	Observer, ESO Code Administrator
Sigrid Bolik	SB	Panel Member, Generator Representative

Apologies

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Alan Creighton	AC	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
David Monkhouse	DM	Panel Member, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Noel McGoldrick	NM	Alternate, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative

1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

10559. Apologies were received from Alan Creighton, David Monkhouse and Noel McGoldrick.
10560. No declarations of interest were received.

2. Minutes from previous meeting

10561. The meeting minutes from the Grid Code Review Panel held on 25 July 2024 were approved subject to the incorporation of amendments from AJ.

3. Review of actions log

10562. LT gave an update on the open actions as follows:
10563. Actions 456, 459, 462 and 463 are to remain open.
10564. Action 460, a new modification to look into CP.A.3.2.1. no longer needs to be raised. The Panel agreed to close this action.

4. Chair's update

10565. The Chair advised there were no updates this month.

5. Authority Decisions

10566. GS explained that, due to the complexity and wide-ranging impacts of GC0117, the Authority will be consulting with Industry on their draft decision letter before publishing their final decision. GS also advised that the expected decision date for GC0172 would be confirmed shortly, but that it was likely to be the end of November/beginning of December 2024.
10567. In relation to Energy Code Reform, GS gave an update on the Strategic Direction Statement (SDS) and advised there had recently been a series of workshops with code panels and code administrators and these insights will shape development going forward. The next opportunity to contribute to development of the SDS will be in their winter consultation. The Chair noted that this would be an appropriate milestone for the Panel to receive another update from the Ofgem team.
10568. GS advised that the Authority has commenced publishing again and are in the process of confirming new expected decision dates (EDD's) for code modifications. They expect to publish an updated register by the end of August/beginning of September 2024.

6. New modifications

10569. There were no new modifications presented to the Panel.

7. In flight modification updates

GC0155: Clarification of Fault Ride Through Technical Requirements

10570. LT gave an update on this modification to advise that there would be a timeline update, expected to be presented to the Panel in October.

GC0168: Submission of Electro Magnetic Transient (EMT) Models

10571. LT advised the Panel members that this modification was not following the original proposed timeline. This is because the Proposer is doing a lot of work in the

background to explore the scale of the problem, develop the solution and start drafting the legal text prior to Workgroups starting, in order to make them as productive as possible. This will come back to the Panel with an updated timeline once it is ready.

GC0166: Introducing new Balancing Mechanism Parameters for Limited Duration

Assets

10572. RL advised the Panel that the timeline on this modification is going to be extended. LT confirmed that it would be coming to the September Panel.

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

10573. LT presented the updated timeline for GC0139 to the Panel, noting that additional time is required to review legal text and ensure that the terminology used is consistent.

10574. The Panel approved the new timeline as submitted in the Panel papers.

GC0164: Simplification of Operating Code No.2

10575. LT presented the updated timeline for GC0164 to the Panel, noting that further Workgroups are required to enable wider industry feedback to be considered, along with further assessment of the legal text.

10576. The Panel approved the new timeline as submitted in the Panel papers.

GC0159: Introducing Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners

10577. LT explained that the Authority guidance had changed, and they no longer expected CATOs to have their own transmission area. Consequently, the definition of Relevant Transmission Licensee consulted on at Code Administrator Consultation was no longer in line with this guidance, but the alternative definition which was suggested as part of the Code Administrator Consultation was.

10578. Panel members highlighted that there could be other wider implications arising from this, as all the other cross code CATO modifications have been sent to the Authority on the presumption that CATOs would have their own transmission area.

10579. LT agreed to raise the Panels concerns with the Panel secretaries across the other codes – **Action 464**

10580. The Panel discussed the proposed legal text amendment and agreed that the change was not typographical. The Panel directed the Workgroup to review the change and any associated impacts on the legal text, prior to the modification proceeding to a second Code Administrator Consultation.

10581. The Panel also requested to review the second the Code Administrator Consultation via email prior to it being published.

8. Workgroup Reports

10582. There were no Workgroup Reports presented to the Panel.

9. Draft Final Modification Reports

10583. There were no Draft Modification Reports presented to the Panel.

10. Discussion on Prioritisation

10584. The Panel reviewed the prioritisation stack. The updated Prioritisation Stack can be found via the following link: [Grid Code Prioritisation Stack - 22 August 2024](#)

10585. The Panel discussed the importance of GC0159 being submitted to the Authority in a timely manner due to the implications on the associated CATO modifications which are currently with the Authority for decision. Therefore, it was placed at position 1 in the Prioritisation Stack.

11. Reports to Authority

10586. There were no updates presented to the Panel.

12. Implementation updates

10587. There were no updates presented to the Panel.

13. Governance

10588. There were no updates presented to the Panel.

14. Grid Code Development Forum (GCDF)

10589. CN advised Panel that the GCDF was held on 07 Aug 2024 and covered:

- An Overview of RfG2.0, DCC2.0 and HVDC2.0,
- GB Grid Forming (GBGF) – Further code change Proposals and
- Development of a portal for submitting Grid Code data.

10590. The meeting papers and presentation can be found via the following link: [Grid Code Development Forum \(GCDF\) - 07.08.2024](#)

10591. CN advised that the next GCDF meeting is planned for 04 September 2024, and the deadline for agenda items is 28 August 2024.

15. Standing Groups

Distribution Code Review Panel Update

10592. GV advised that the Distribution Code Consultations on EREC G99 and G98 have now closed, and that the ENA are currently reviewing the consultation responses.

10593. The ENA received a response to their Accelerated Loss of Mains letter from Ofgem, and are currently considering its contents.

Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

10594. LT stated that the JESG meeting planned for 13 August was cancelled due to lack of agenda items. The next meeting is planned for 10 September 2024.

16. Updates on other Industry Codes

10595. The Panel papers and Headline Report for the following meetings can be found at the below links:

- 26 July 2024 CUSC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)
- 31 July 2024 STC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

•01 August 2024 SQSS Panel Papers and Headline Report

10596. RR informed the Panel members that the System Integration Testing cycle 3 phase of the Market-Wide Half-Hourly Settlement (MHHS) has been delayed and is now scheduled to begin in October 2024. The 'Go Live' date is likely to be postponed. Stakeholders can expect further communication on this matter soon.

17. Challenges to Modification progress

10597. LT advised that, between May to July 2024, there were three individual timeline delays. One was due to having to await Authority guidance, another due to additional time being needed to ensure the legal text was correct; and the final one was due to the complexity of the modification.

18. Horizon Scan

10598. LT presented the Horizon Scan and explained that:

- Further modifications would be raised under Digitalised Whole System Technical Code once [GC0164](#) had concluded.
- Conversations were ongoing with the Balancing Programme team to establish what further code changes were needed.
- An Offshore Coordination modification had already been raised for the SQSS and a Grid Code modification would follow later in the year.
- The Grid Code, CUSC and STCP proposals to remove fax machines are expected to be raised in September 2024.

19. Electrical Standards

10599. There were no updates presented to the Panel.

20. Code Administrator Update

10600. LT advised that, in relation to the Grid Code Panel elections, the schedule 1 List including Materially Affected Parties was sent out to Industry for them to review. The election guide will be published on the 23 August 2024 and nominations will open on 03 September 2024.

21. Any Other Business (AOB)

10601. A panel member noted the PN accuracy presentation that was given last month and explained that it would be very useful if any future developments in this area could be provided to stakeholders by the ESO as it is of great interest. The Chair asked for that to be done via the GCDF.

22. Close

10602. 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 26 September 2024 on Microsoft Teams

**New Modification Proposals to be submitted by 11 September 2024.
Grid Code Review Panel Papers Day is 18 September 2024.**