System Operability Framework (SOF)

Post consultation activities



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What was SOF? Recap





	Change	Affected Subjects	Consequences
ide		RoCoF	Trip of Embedded Generation
New Technologies Change in Generation Mix and Demand S	System Inertia	Frequency Containment	Increase in Volume of Required Response
		Generation Withstand Capability	Trip of Larger Units (i.e. flameout)
		System Stability	Power Oscillations
		Protection	Faults not Detected by Protection Systems
		Voltage Dips	Trip of Embedded Generation without FRT Capability
		Voltage Management	Maintaining Voltage within Statutory Limits
		Resonance and Harmonics	Excessive Harmonic Voltage Distortions
	Conventional	CSC HVDC Link Commutation	Inability to Import/Export Power Across CSC HVDC Links
	Generator Closures and Increase in Distributed Generation	Emergency System Restoration	New restoration services and methodologies
		System Inertia and Short Circuit Level	New System Study Methodologies, services and asset investment
	Series Compensation	Sub-Synchronous Resonance	Interaction with the mechanical shafts of thermal units & shaft fatigue
	New CSC HVDC Links		
	New VSC HVDC Links	Control Systems	Adverse interaction with existing control systems (AVR/Governors/SVCs/STATCOMS)

Challenges and Opportunities



Key areas



Internal Activities

Joint activities / working groups

Engagement Forums

SOF Engagement					
Generation	Transmission	Distribution	Supply Side		
Operational Forum - Grid Code Review Panel - Compliance Meetings	SQSS - STC – JPC- Grid Code Review Panel - Liaison Meetings	ENA Grid Code & Distribution Code Review Panel – T&D Liaison	Operational Forum - Liaison Meetings		
 New services New generation technologies Generation withstand capability Modelling issues Installations worldwide Compliance issues Grid services to the generators Joint innovation projects 	 Investment optimisation for design and operation New transmission technologies Operability and regional strategies SQSS and Code development Modelling issues and data exchange Joint innovation projects 	 Investment optimisation for design and operation New demand side technologies (i.e. heat pumps, DSR, storage) Operability and regional strategies SQSS, Grid Code and Distribution Code development Modelling issues and data exchange Joint innovation projects 	 Demand Side Services Code development Operability of new technologies Modelling techniques (i.e. modelling DSR effects) Joint innovation projects 		

Example – South East Smart Grid

Investigating a joint T&D approach in coordinating the resources across the networks to benefit the consumer; whilst making sure the effects on both networks are well understood.



a theme for future SOF?

System Operability Framework Consultation Responses

Top 4 Topics









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More focus on the Demand Side

- SOF does take into account the impact of change in demand side on the transmission networks.
 - Way forward:
 - In the next version, with more collaboration with the DNOs, and review of the existing works (i.e. WS7) this will be better addressed.



Review of existing unutilised nationalgrid capabilities within service providers

- Number of technologies already deployed on the system are capable of providing number of services required for operability
 - i.e. Storage, Windfarms, Interconnectors, DSR
- Valuation
 - Single service vs overall capability

Development of Long-term solutions require incentives



Example – SOF makes reference to synchronous compensator – the next fleet of CCGTs can be designed in such a way to have the capability of operating at low load/no load to provide this capability.

Long term contract

Timeline to deliver solutions

- Clear roadmap showing the activities leading to create new opportunities and solutions for whole system operability
 - Innovation
 - Technology development
 - New services



System Operability Framework

Thank you for your attention

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