

## Grid Code Industry Consultation Response Proforma

### GC0074 GCRP Membership

Industry parties are invited to respond to this consultation expressing their views and supplying the rationale for those views, particularly in respect of any specific questions detailed below.

Please send your responses by **1 August 2014** to [Grid.Code@nationalgrid.com](mailto:Grid.Code@nationalgrid.com). Please note that any responses received after the deadline or sent to a different email address may not receive due consideration.

These responses will be included in the Report to the Authority which is drafted by National Grid and submitted to the Authority for a decision.

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<b>Company Name:</b>	RWE Group of GB companies, including RWE Generation UK plc, RWE Innogy UK Limited and RWE Supply & Trading GmbH.
<b>1. What are your views on Interconnector users being given a seat on the GCRP as an occasional attendee when it is deemed appropriate by the GCRP and/or the Code Administrator based on the subject matter, rather than as a permanent member where an Interconnector Representative would be expected to attend all meetings.</b>	Given the very limited GCRP business that is relevant to interconnectors, we agree that an “occasional seat” for Externally Interconnected System Operators (as currently represented) or Interconnector Users (as appears to be proposed). It would be appropriate for the interconnector representative to attend either at his/her own request or the request of the GCRP / Code administrator.
<b>2. Do you agree with the group that (i) the Scottish TOs should continue to have a seat on the Panel (ii) that the DNOs should continue to be represented by three seats on the Panel (2 for England &amp; Wales and 1 for Scotland) and (iii) that manufacturers should not be represented on the Panel.</b>	We agree with the proposal that Scottish TOs should have a seat on the Panel, that the DNOs should be represented by three seats on the Panel (2 for England & Wales and 1 for Scotland).  We also agree that manufacturers should not be represented on the Panel.  For the avoidance of doubt, we support the proposal of 12 Generator representatives in total.
<b>3. Do you believe that each NGET</b>	Given that the scope for voting by the GCRP is

<b>Representative should hold 1 vote each, as for other representatives, or that this should be reduced to, for example, 2 votes between the proposed 4 NGET Representatives.</b>	very limited, we are satisfied that on the basis of the proposed representation (including 12 Generator representatives) each member has one vote.
<b>4. How do you think a tied vote should be dealt with in an election?</b>	We would expect that the final design of the voting method would make a tied vote in a membership election extremely unlikely. However, in the event of a tied vote, the other representatives in that category may decide who the most appropriate person would be to act as member or, alternatively, a random selection via lots may be carried out.
<b>Do you believe that GC0074 better facilitates the appropriate Grid Code objectives?</b>	<p>Yes for the reasons given in the Consultation Paper.</p> <p><i>For reference the applicable Grid Code objectives are:</i></p> <p><i>(i) to permit the development, maintenance and operation of an efficient, coordinated and economical system for the transmission of electricity;</i></p> <p><i>(ii) to facilitate 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);</i></p> <p><i>(iii) subject to sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii), 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; and</i></p> <p><i>(iv) 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.</i></p>
<b>Please provide any other comments you feel are relevant to the proposed change.</b>	