

Introduction

A number of changes have been proposed by several members of the work group that change the meaning of several definitions in the existing GBGF Grid Code.

These definition changes have been made to clarify the operation of the GBGF technology as defined in the existing GBGF Grid Code, but they do not change the basic actions of the GBGF technology.

By producing a list of the definition changes makes it easier to understand the changes in the next edition of the GBGF Grid Code and also makes it easier to consistently implement the changes.

The 8 definition changes are listed below followed by the corresponding new legal text.

1. The word “**Real**” is now “**Active**” to align with the existing Grid Code drafting in a consistent format.
2. The words “**Phase Jump Active Power**” are now “**Active Phase Jump Power**”.
3. The words “**Real Inertia Power**” are now “**Active Inertia Power**”.
4. The words “**Damping Active Power**” are now “**Active Damping Power**”.
5. The words “**Control Based Real Droop Power**” are now “**Active Control Based Droop Power**”.
6. The words “**Control Based Real Power**” are now “**Active Frequency Response Power**”.

This is to better define the active power produced by a GBGF - I inverter after a delay of one second by the actions of the control system for a consistent change in AC Grid frequency.

7. The words “**Grid Forming Active Power**” is a new definition.

This is to confirm that **Active Grid Forming Power** is the inherent active power produced by GBGF technology that includes **Active Inertia Power** plus **Active Phase Jump Power** plus **Active Damping Power**.

8. The words “**ROCOF Response Power**” are now “**Active RoCoF Response Power**”.

This is to confirm that **Active RoCoF Response Power** is the sum of **Active Inertia Power** and **Active Frequency Response Power** to enable the design of a GBGF- Inverter to be optimised to give the maximum active power for a consistent change in AC Grid frequency.

For each of these definitions the new Legal text are:

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| Active Phase Jump Power | <p>The transient Active Power transferred from a Grid Forming Plant to the Total System as a result of changes in the phase angle between the Internal Voltage Source of the Grid Forming Plant and the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point.</p> <p>In the event of a disturbance or fault on the Total System, a Grid Forming Plant will instantaneously supply Active Phase Jump Power to the Total System as a result of the phase angle change.</p> <p>For GBGF-I Plant as a minimum value this is up to the Phase Jump Angle Limit Power.</p> <p>Active Phase Jump Power is an inherent capability of a Grid Forming Plant that starts to respond naturally, within less than 5 ms, and can have frequency components to over 1000 Hz.</p> |
| Active Inertia Power | <p>The injection or absorption of Active Power by a Grid Forming Plant to and from the Total System during a System Frequency change.</p> <p>The amount of Active Power supplied or absorbed by the Grid Forming Plant is a function of the energy storage capability of the Internal Voltage Source and ROCOF or, in the case of an HVDC System, is a function of the Active Power provided by either the Remote End HVDC Converter Station or some extra Plant.</p> <p>For the avoidance of doubt, this includes the rotational inertial energy of the complete drive train of a Synchronous Generating Unit.</p> <p>Active Inertia Power is an inherent capability of a Grid Forming Plant to respond naturally, within less than 5 ms, to changes in the System Frequency.</p> |

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| | For the avoidance of doubt the Active Inertia Power has a slower frequency response compared with Active Phase Jump Power |
| Active Damping Power | <p>The Active Power naturally injected or absorbed by a Grid Forming Plant to reduce Active Power oscillations in the Total System.</p> <p>More specifically, Active Damping Power is the damped response of a Grid Forming Plant to an oscillation between the voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point and the voltage of the Internal Voltage Source of the Grid Forming Plant.</p> <p>For the avoidance of doubt, Active Damping Power is an inherent capability of a Grid Forming Plant that starts to respond naturally, within less than 5 ms to low frequency oscillations in the System Frequency.</p> |
| Active Control Based Droop Power | <p>The Active Control Based Power output supplied by a Grid Forming Plant through controlled means (be it manual or automatic).</p> <p>For GBGF-I Plant is equivalent to that of a Synchronous Generating Unit with a traditional governor coupled to its prime mover.</p> <p>Active Control Based Droop Power is used by The Company to control System Frequency changes through the instruction of Primary Frequency Response and Secondary Frequency Response.</p> |
| Active Frequency Response Power | <p>Active Frequency Response Power is the transfer of Active Power injected or absorbed by a Grid Forming Plant to and from the Total System during a deviation of the System Frequency away from the Target Frequency.</p> <p>For a GBGF-I Plant this is very similar to Primary Response but with a response time to achieve the declared service capability (which could be the Maximum Capacity or Registered Capacity) within 1 second.</p> <p>For GBGF-I Plant this can rapidly add extra Active Power in addition to the phase-based Active Inertia Power to provide a system with desirable NFP plot characteristics.</p> <p>The Active Frequency Response Power can be produced by any viable control technology.</p> |
| Grid Forming Active Power | Grid Forming Active Power is the inherent Active Power produced by GBGF technology that includes Active Inertia Power plus Active Phase Jump Power plus Active Damping Power . |
| Active RoCoF Response Power | ROCOF Response Power is defined as the Active Inertia Power developed from a Grid Forming Plant plus the Active Frequency Response Power that can be supplied by a Grid Forming Plant when subject to a rate of change of the System Frequency . |

SGRE Item 1.1.

If you are not offering to provide and being paid for any GB Grid Forming “GBGF” services then you only need to comply with the standard Grid Code as the GBGF Grid Code section is non-mandatory.

If you are being paid for any GBGF services, including being in a standby mode at low power, then you must comply with the requirements of new GBGF Grid Code as and when it is approved by the Regulator (Ofgem).

The service that must be provide are the power levels defined by each supplier for a specific equipment in the data charts listed in the GBGF Grid Code.

For the avoidance of doubt the rating values defined for the **Phase Jump Active Power**, the **Active RoCoF Power** and the **Active Damping Power** are the values that can be provided by a specific compliant equipment.

SGRE Item 1.2.

The aim of the GBGF Grid Code is present the main features of a GBGF system.

Your suggestion to add the ENTSO-E data is a good proposal but in our opinion this data is best moved into the introductory section of the GB Grid Forming **Best Practice Guide**. It should also be noted that the Grid Code sets out the high level requirements but is not intended as a detailed technical / functional specification covering every detail. This approach has been used in the Grid Code over the last 30 years with further detail added through the Bilateral Connection Agreement or other User Guides / Standards.

The main reason for this is that it is very difficult to change the Grid Code once it is approved while the **Best Practice Guide** can be easily amended as the GBGF technology develops and in the light of further industrial experience.

The expert group for the **Best Practice Guide** should be starting very soon and this is one of key topics to be included in the guide.

SGRE Items 1.3 and 1.4

The SGRE comments have been carefully considered and by combining the comments of both these sections has resulted in the changes defined in the **Introduction**.