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STC Panel

Wednesday 26 February 2025

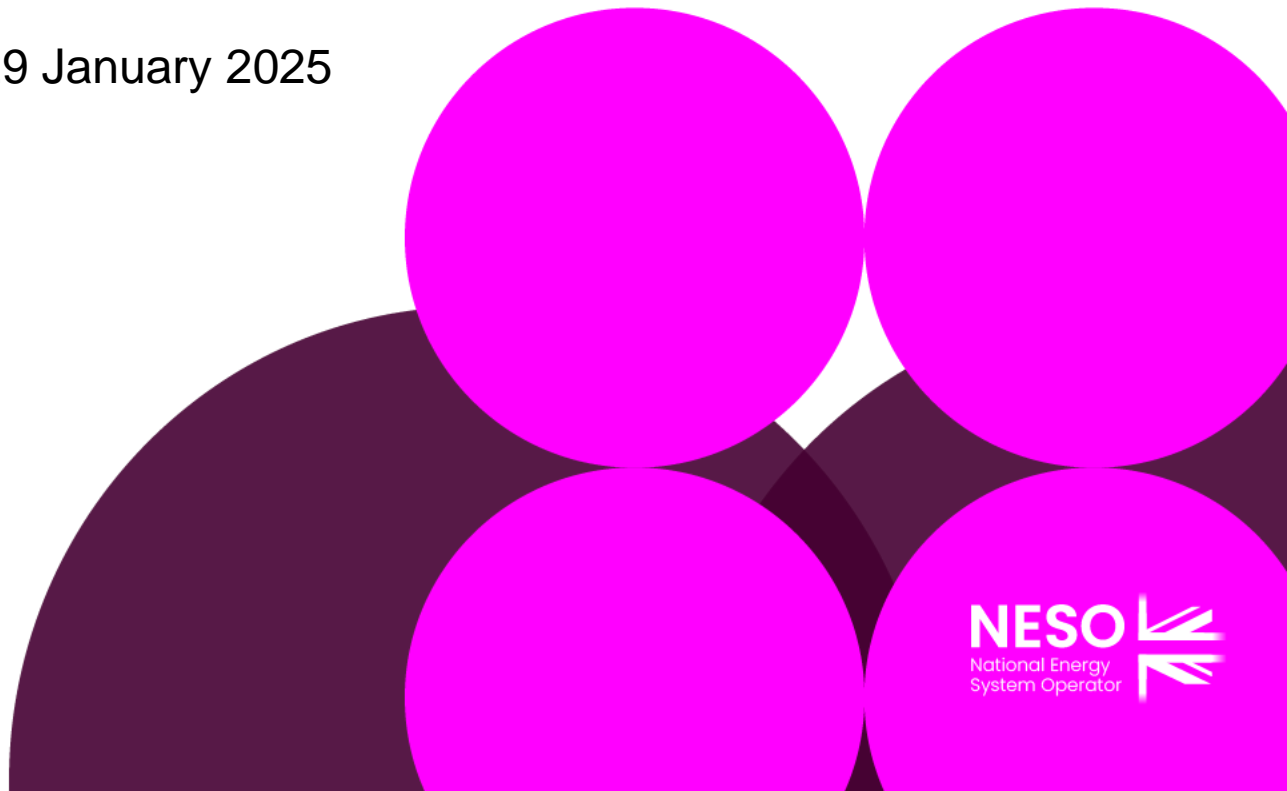
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Approval of Panel Minutes

Approval of Panel Minutes from the Meeting held on 29 January 2025



Action Log

Ongoing Actions

Date raised	Ref	Action	Current Position	Due by	Status
December 2024	Minute 6893	PM0133 Proposer to decide if the proposal is to be STC/STCP and update legal text.	Update: Proposer to re-present proposal at a later meeting	NA	Open
January 2025	Minute TBC	NESO to agree to confirm the ability to share contact details of STC parties to other STC parties based on the information supplied with their Accession Agreement.	Update: Internal discussions had, and confirmation received that any information held should not be shared less agreed by the Party concerned.	Feb 2025	Open

Authority Decisions and Update (as of 18 February 2025)

Decisions Pending

Modification	Final Modification Report Received	Expected Decision
CM086 - Introducing competitively Appointed Transmission Owners & Transmission Service Providers	11 March 2024	TBC was previously 31 January 2025
CM087 - Introducing Connections Process to facilitate Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners	11 March 2024	TBC was previously 31 January 2025
CM098 - Updating STC Arrangements to replacing the Electricity Arbitration Association with the London Court of International Arbitration	7 August 2024	12 February 2025

The Authority's publication on decisions can be found on their website below:

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/code-modificationmodification-proposals-ofgem-decision-expected-publication-dates-timetable>

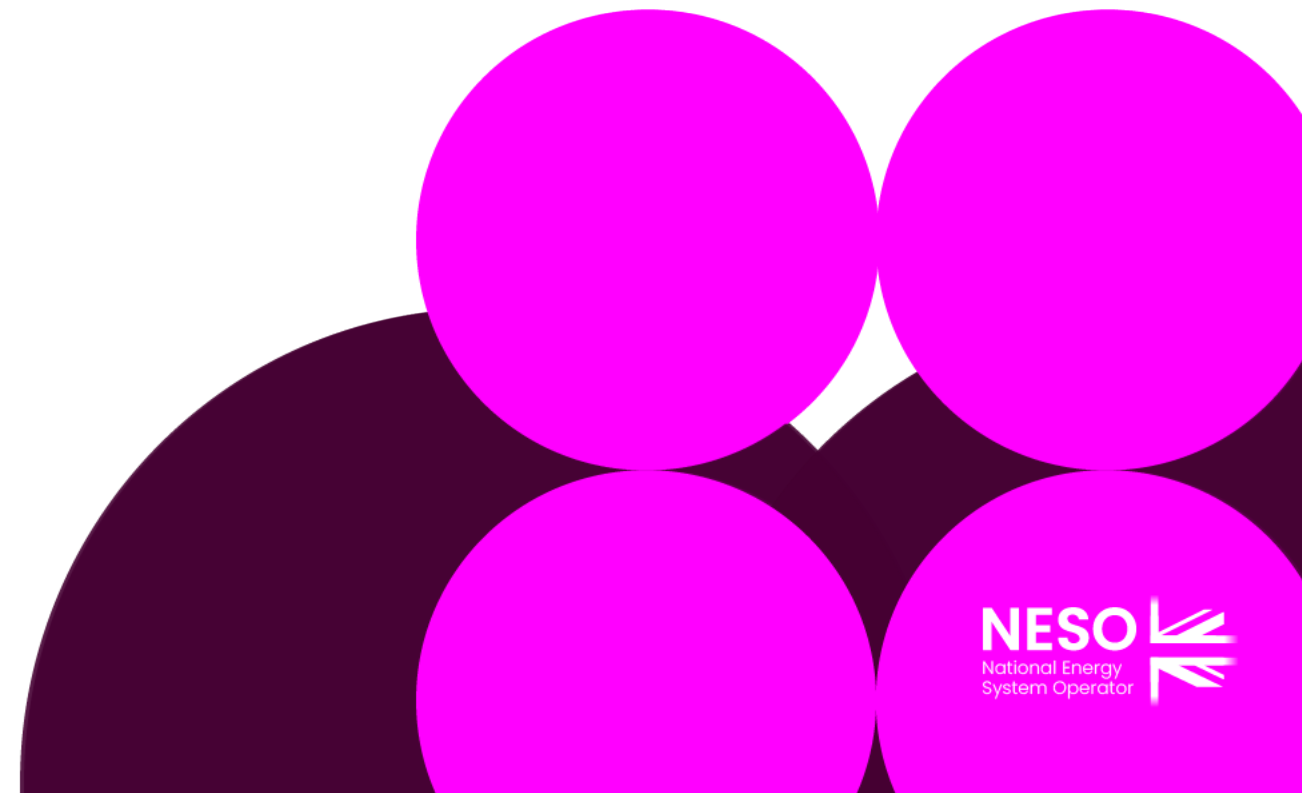
New Modifications

- PM0146 Emergency Control Centre Requirements
- CM0101 Additional Definitions in Relation to PM0144

New STC Procedure

PM0146 Emergency Control Centre
Requirements

Joseph Bone



PM0146 Emergency Control Centre Requirements

- Adjustment to the phrasing around the IT architecture required at the Emergency Control Centre, to include the option to meet the requirements with 'capabilities' instead of just 'systems'.

STCP Governance

If a change is developed which has the potential to materially amend an existing STCP the proposer is obligated to seek Panel's views on materiality before proceeding.

When considering the proposed changes to the STCPs, the 1st ask on voting members is whether you agree that the change is material.

- If not, then approved/rejected as has been done in the past;
- If material, then the proposer of the change would need to seek Ofgem's written approval to proceed, and to clarify who should approve the change.

Ofgem can then decide either:

- It is acceptable for the Panel to approve/reject the STCP changes, as has been done in the past; or
- They will make the decision themselves.

PM0146 Asks of Panel

- **AGREE** the materiality of the STCP change
- **AGREE** the implementation next steps
- **NOTE** that Implementation Date will be 12 March 2025 if Panel agree to implement this change and Panel identify no material impacts

New Modification

CM0101: Additional Definitions in
Relation to PM0144

Stuart McLarnon, NESO

CM0100 Critical Friend Feedback

Code Administrator comments	Amendments made by the Proposer
Timeline and implementation date updated due to appeals window needed	None

What is the issue?

An STCP modification (PM0144) was raised and approved in January to allow for more modern communication methods to be used in the STCPs. The legal text for PM0144 contained two new defined terms which are to be added to the STC in Section J.

Why change?

These changes will allow more modern communication methods to be used in the STCPs.

Overview of the proposer's solution

Section J will have two new defined terms added.

"Designated Information Exchange System" - A facsimile machine or, as agreed between each **User** with respect to their control centre or control room and **The Company**, an **Electronic Communication Platform**, that facilitates the exchange of information between a **User** and **The Company**.

"Electronic Communication Platform" – an information exchange platform established, provided, and maintained by **The Company**, **Transmission Owner** or a mutually approved third party provider that facilitates the exchange of information between a **User** and **The Company**. All parties will endeavour to follow **Good Industry Practice** with regard to security.

Thank You

STC Self-Governance Criteria

“Self-Governance Criteria”

means that a proposal, if implemented:

(a) is unlikely to have a material effect on:

- (i) existing or future electricity consumers; and
- (ii) completion in the generation, distribution or supply of electricity or any commercial activities connected with the generation, distribution or supply of electricity; and
- (iii) the operation of the national electricity transmission system; and
- (iv) matters relating to sustainable development, safety or supply, or the management of market or network emergencies; and
- (v) the Code’s governance procedures or modification procedures; and

(b) is unlikely to discriminate between different classes of Parties.

STC Fast Track Criteria

“Fast Track Criteria”

means that a proposal, if implemented.

- (a) would meet the Self-Governance Criteria; and
- (b) is properly a housekeeping modification required as a result of some error or factual change, including but not limited to:
 - (i) updating names or addresses listed in the Code;
 - (ii) correcting minor typographical errors;
 - (iii) correcting formatting and consistency errors, such as paragraph numbering; or
 - (iv) updating out of date references to other documents or paragraphs.

CM0101 Asks of Panel

- **AGREE** that this Modification has a clearly defined defect, scope and solution
- **AGREE** that this Modification should follow Fast Track Self-Governance Criteria (Panel decision, which must be unanimous)
- **NOTE** the proposed timeline and that this Modification will be implemented upon conclusion of the Appeals window (if no objections are received from industry)

CM0101 Proposed Timeline

Milestone	Date
Panel decision <i>Unanimous Panel agreement is needed for this to be implemented; otherwise Panel will agree a different governance route</i>	26 January 2025
Appeals Window (15 business days)	28 February 2025 to 5pm on 21 March 2025
Implementation Date (5 business days after closure of Appeals Window if no Appeals received)	28 March 2025

Code Administrator Update

- Report Template Refresh

Report Template Refresh

Following feedback from industry and some learnings from Authority decisions, we will be updating our report templates.

Current Final Modification Report Template	New Final Modification Report Template
Contents	Contents
Exec Summary	Exec Summary
What is the issue? • Why change	What is the issue? • What is the defect this modification is addressing? • Why change?
What is the Solution • Proposer's Original Solution	Workgroup Discussion • Workgroup Discussion ahead of the Workgroup Consultation • Workgroup Consultation Summary • Workgroup Discussion after the Workgroup Consultation • Terms of Reference Overview • Consideration of other options
Workgroup Discussion • Consideration of the Proposer's solution • Workgroup Consultation Summary • Consideration of other options	What is the Solution • Proposer's Original Solution • Workgroup Alternative Solutions • Legal text
What is the impact of this change • Proposer's assessment against Code Objectives • Workgroup Vote • Code Administrator Consultation Summary • Panel Recommendation/ Determination Vote	What is the impact of this change • Proposed solutions assessment against Code Objectives • Workgroup Vote • Code Administrator Consultation Summary • Panel Recommendation/ Determination Vote
When will this change take place? • Implementation date • Date decision required by • Implementation approach	When will this change take place? • Implementation date • Date decision required by • Implementation approach
Interactions	Interactions
Acronyms, key terms and reference material	Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Any other business

Updates on other industry codes

31 January 2025 CUSC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

30 January 2025 Grid Code Review [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

23 January 2025 SQSS [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

29 January 2025 STC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

Activities ahead of the next Panel Meeting

Grid Code Development Forum	05 March 2025
Modification Proposal Deadline for March Panel	11 March 2025
Papers Day	18 March 2025
Panel Meeting	26 March 2025 Teams

Close

Kat Higby

Chair, STC Panel