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- Compliance Processes
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# **CONNECTION CONDITIONS**

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#### CC.1 INTRODUCTION

#### CC.1.1 The **Connection Conditions** ("**CC**") specify both:

- (a) the minimum technical, design and operational criteria which must be complied with by:
  - (i) any GB Code User connected to or seeking connection with the National Electricity Transmission System, or
  - (ii) GB Code User's in respect of GB Generators (other than in respect of Small Power Stations) or GB Code User's in respect of DC Converter Station owners connected to or seeking connection to a User's System which is located in Great Britain or Offshore, and
- (b) the minimum technical, design and operational criteria with which The Company will comply in relation to the part of the National Electricity Transmission System at the Connection Site with GB Code Users. In the case of any OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, the CC also specify the minimum technical, design and operational criteria which must be complied with by those GB Code Users when undertaking OTSDUW.
- (c) For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements of these **CC's** do not apply to **EU Code User's** for whom the requirements of the **ECC's** shall apply.

# CC.2 OBJECTIVE

- CC.2.1 The objective of the **CC** is to ensure that by specifying minimum technical, design and operational criteria, the basic rules for connection to the **National Electricity Transmission System** and (for certain **GB Code Users**) to a **User's System** are similar for all **GB Code Users** of an equivalent category and will enable **The Company** to comply with its statutory and **ESO Licence** obligations.
- In the case of any **OTSDUW**, the objective of the **CC** is to ensure that by specifying the minimum technical, design and operational criteria, the basic rules relating to an **Offshore Transmission**System designed and constructed by an **Offshore Transmission Licensee** or designed and/or constructed by an **GB Code User** under the **OTSDUW Arrangements** are equivalent.
- Provisions of the CC which apply in relation to OTSDUW and OTSUA, and/or a Transmission Interface Site, shall (in any particular case) apply up to the OTSUA Transfer Time, whereupon such provisions shall (without prejudice to any prior non-compliance) cease to apply, without prejudice to the continuing application of provisions of the CC applying in relation to the relevant Offshore Transmission System and/or Connection Site. It is the case therefore that in cases where the OTSUA becomes operational prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time that a GB Generator is required to comply with this CC both as it applies to its Plant and Apparatus at a Connection Site\Connection Point and the OTSUA at the Transmission Interface Site/Transmission Interface Point until the OTSUA Transfer Time and this CC shall be construed accordingly.
- CC.2.4 In relation to **OTSDUW**, provisions otherwise to be contained in a **Bilateral Agreement** may be contained in the **Construction Agreement**, and accordingly a reference in the **CC** to a relevant **Bilateral Agreement** includes the relevant **Construction Agreement**.

## CC.3 SCOPE

- CC.3.1 The CC applies to The Company and to GB Code Users, which in the CC means:
  - (a) **GB Generators** (other than those which only have **Embedded Small Power Stations**), including those undertaking **OTSDUW**;
  - (b) Network Operators;
  - (c) Non-Embedded Customers;
  - (d) DC Converter Station owners;
  - (e) **BM Participants** and **Externally Interconnected System Operators** who are also **GB Code Users** in respect of CC.6.5, CC.7.9, CC.7.10 and CC.7.11 only; and

- (f) In relation to **Distribution Restoration Zones**, **Restoration Contractors** who are **Non-CUSC Parties** and whose **Embedded Plant** needs to comply with the requirements of EREC G59, other than those included in (a) to (e) above, shall only be required to satisfy CC.6.1.2, CC.6.1.3, CC.6.2.2.1.2, CC.6.2.2.6, CC.6.3, CC.7.10, CC.7.11 and CC.8.1 unless additional technical requirements are provided for in the **Anchor Restoration Contract** or **Top Up Restoration Contract**. **Restoration Contractors** who are **Non-CUSC Parties** and whose **Embedded Plant** needs to comply with EREC G99 are not included in the scope of the **CC** and should refer to the **ECC**.
- CC.3.2 The above categories of **GB Code User** will become bound by the **CC** prior to them generating, distributing, supplying or consuming, as the case may be, and references to the various categories should, therefore, be taken as referring to them in that prospective role as well as to **GB Code Users** actually connected.
- CC.3.3 Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded DC Converter Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement Provisions.

The following provisions apply in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**.

- CC.3.3.1 The obligations within the CC that are expressed to be applicable to GB Generators in respect of Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and DC Converter Station Owners in respect of Embedded DC Converter Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement (where the obligations are in each case listed in CC.3.3.2) shall be read and construed as obligations that the Network Operator within whose System any such Medium Power Station or DC Converter Station is Embedded must ensure are performed and discharged by the GB Generator or the DC Converter Station owner. Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded DC Converter Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement which are located Offshore and which are connected to an Onshore GB Code Users System will be required to meet the applicable requirements of the Grid Code as though they are an Onshore GB Generator or Onshore DC Converter Station Owner connected to an Onshore User System Entry Point.
- CC.3.3.2 The Network Operator within whose System a Medium Power Station not subject to a Bilateral Agreement is Embedded or a DC Converter Station not subject to a Bilateral Agreement is Embedded must ensure that the following obligations in the CC are performed and discharged by the GB Generator in respect of each such Embedded Medium Power Station or the DC Converter Station owner in the case of an Embedded DC Converter Station:

CC.5.1

CC.5.2.2

CC.5.3

CC.6.1.3

CC.6.1.5 (b)

CC.6.3.2, CC.6.3.3, CC.6.3.4, CC.6.3.6, CC.6.3.7, CC.6.3.8, CC.6.3.9, CC.6.3.10, CC.6.3.12, CC.6.3.13, CC.6.3.15, CC.6.3.16

CC.6.4.4

CC.6.5.6 (where required by CC.6.4.4)

In respect of CC.6.2.2.2, CC.6.2.2.3, CC.6.2.2.5, CC.6.1.5(a), CC.6.1.5(b) and CC.6.3.11 equivalent provisions as co-ordinated and agreed with the **Network Operator** and **GB Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner may be required. Details of any such requirements will be notified to the **Network Operator** in accordance with CC.3.5.

CC.3.3.3 In the case of **Embedded Medium Power Station**s not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** the requirements in:

CC.6.1.6

CC.6.3.8

CC.6.3.12

CC.6.3.15

CC.6.3.16

that would otherwise have been specified in a **Bilateral Agreement** will be notified to the relevant **Network Operator** in writing in accordance with the provisions of the **CUSC** and the **Network Operator** must ensure such requirements are performed and discharged by the **GB Generator** or the **DC Converter Station** owner.

- In the case of Offshore Embedded Power Stations connected to an Offshore GB Code User's System which directly connects to an Offshore Transmission System, any additional requirements in respect of such Offshore Embedded Power Stations may be specified in the relevant Bilateral Agreement with the Network Operator or in any Bilateral Agreement between The Company and such Offshore Embedded Power Station.
- In the case of a **GB Generator** undertaking **OTSDUW** connecting to an **Onshore Network Operator's System**, any additional requirements in respect of such **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**will be specified in the relevant **Bilateral Agreement** with the **GB Generator**. For the avoidance of doubt, requirements applicable to **GB Generators** undertaking **OTSDUW** and connecting to a **Network Operator's System**, shall be consistent with those applicable requirements of **GB Generators** undertaking **OTSDUW** and connecting to a **Transmission Interface Point**.

#### CC.4 PROCEDURE

The CUSC contains certain provisions relating to the procedure for connection to the National Electricity Transmission System or, in the case of Embedded Power Stations or Embedded DC Converter Stations, becoming operational and includes provisions relating to certain conditions to be complied with by GB Code Users prior to and during the course of The Company notifying the GB Code User that it has the right to become operational. The procedure for a GB Code User to become connected is set out in the Compliance Processes.

# CC.5 CONNECTION

- CC.5.1 The provisions relating to connecting to the **National Electricity Transmission System** (or to a **User's System** in the case of a connection of an **Embedded Large Power Station** or **Embedded Medium Power Station** or **Embedded DC Converter Station**) are contained in:
  - (a) the CUSC and/or CUSC Contract (or in the relevant application form or offer for a CUSC Contract);
  - (b) or, in the case of an Embedded Development, the relevant Distribution Code and/or the Embedded Development Agreement for the connection (or in the relevant application form or offer for an Embedded Development Agreement),

and include provisions relating to both the submission of information and reports relating to compliance with the relevant Connection Conditions for that GB Code User, Safety Rules, commissioning programmes, Operation Diagrams and approval to connect (and their equivalents in the case of Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement or Embedded DC Converter Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement). References in the CC to the "Bilateral Agreement" and/or "Construction Agreement" and/or "Embedded Development Agreement" shall be deemed to include references to the application form or offer therefor.

#### CC.5.2 <u>Items For Submission</u>

- Prior to the **Completion Date** (or, where the **GB Generator** is undertaking **OTSDUW**, any later date specified) under the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**, the following is submitted pursuant to the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**:
  - (a) updated **Planning Code** data (both **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data**), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for **Forecast Data** items such as **Demand**, pursuant to the requirements of the **Planning Code**:
  - (b) details of the **Protection** arrangements and settings referred to in CC.6;
  - (c) copies of all Safety Rules and Local Safety Instructions applicable at Users' Sites which will be used at the Transmission/User interface (which, for the purpose of OC8, must be to The Company's satisfaction regarding the procedures for Isolation and Earthing. The Company will consult the Relevant Transmission Licensee when determining whether the procedures for Isolation and Earthing are satisfactory);
  - (d) information to enable the preparation of the **Site Responsibility Schedules** on the basis of the provisions set out in Appendix 1;
  - (e) an **Operation Diagram** for all **HV Apparatus** on the **User** side of the **Connection Point** as described in CC.7;
  - (f) the proposed name of the **User Site** (which shall not be the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name of any **Transmission Site** or of any other **User Site**);
  - (g) written confirmation that **Safety Co-ordinators** acting on behalf of the **User** are authorised and competent pursuant to the requirements of **OC8**;
  - (h) Such **RISSP** prefixes pursuant to the requirements of **OC8**. Prefixes shall be circulated utilising a proforma in accordance with **OC8**;
  - (i) a list of the telephone numbers for **Joint System Incidents** at which senior management representatives nominated for the purpose can be contacted and confirmation that they are fully authorised to make binding decisions on behalf of the **User**, pursuant to **OC9**;
  - (j) a list of managers who have been duly authorised to sign **Site Responsibility Schedules** on behalf of the **User**;
  - (k) information to enable the preparation of the **Site Common Drawings** as described in CC.7;
  - (I) confirmation of access to the **Designated Information Exchange System** as referenced in CC.6.5.9;
  - (m) for Sites in Scotland and Offshore a list of persons appointed by the User to undertake operational duties on the User's System (including any OTSDUW prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time) and to issue and receive operational messages and instructions in relation to the User's System (including any OTSDUW prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time); and an appointed person or persons responsible for the maintenance and testing of User's Plant and Apparatus.
  - (n) a list of contact details for outage and network planning, which shall be updated by the **GB Code User** as needed; and
  - (o) a list of email and telephone contact details for the User Site, which shall be updated by the User as needed. The persons specified in the contact details should be able to assist in the sharing of dynamic system behaviour monitoring data as well as supporting any post-Event investigations.
- Prior to the **Completion Date** the following must be submitted to **The Company** by the **Network Operator** in respect of an **Embedded Development**:

- (a) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for Forecast Data items such as Demand, pursuant to the requirements of the Planning Code;
- (b) details of the **Protection** arrangements and settings referred to in CC.6;
- (c) the proposed name of the Embedded Medium Power Station or Embedded DC Converter Station Site (which shall be agreed with The Company unless it is the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name of other Transmission Site or User Site);
- CC.5.2.3 Prior to the Completion Date contained within an Offshore Transmission Distribution Connection Agreement, the following must be submitted to The Company by the Network Operator in respect of a proposed new Interface Point within its User System:
  - (a) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for Forecast Data items such as Demand, pursuant to the requirements of the Planning Code;
  - (b) details of the **Protection** arrangements and settings referred to in CC.6;
  - (c) the proposed name of the **Interface Point** (which shall not be the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name of any **Transmission Site** or of any other **User Site**);
- CC.5.2.4 In the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus (in addition to items under CC.5.2.1 in respect of the Connection Site), prior to the Completion Date (or any later date specified) under the Construction Agreement the following must be submitted to The Company by the GB Code User in respect of the proposed new Connection Point and Interface Point:
  - (a) updated Planning Code data (Standard Planning Data, Detailed Planning Data and OTSDUW Data and Information), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for Forecast Data items such as Demand, pursuant to the requirements of the Planning Code;
  - (b) details of the **Protection** arrangements and settings referred to in CC.6;
  - (c) information to enable preparation of the **Site Responsibility Schedules** at the **Transmission Interface Site** on the basis of the provisions set out in Appendix 1.
  - (d) the proposed name of the **Interface Point** (which shall not be the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name of any **Transmission Site** or of any other **User Site**);
- CC.5.3 (a) Of the items CC.5.2.1 (c), (e), (g), (h), (k) and (m) need not be supplied in respect of **Embedded Power Stations** or **Embedded DC Converter Stations**,
  - (b) item CC.5.2.1(i) need not be supplied in respect of Embedded Small Power Stations and Embedded Medium Power Stations or Embedded DC Converter Stations with a Registered Capacity of less than 100MW, and
  - (c) items CC.5.2.1(d) and (j) are only needed in the case where the **Embedded Power Station** or the **Embedded DC Converter Station** is within a **Connection Site** with another **User**.
- CC.6 TECHNICAL, DESIGN AND OPERATIONAL CRITERIA
- CC.6.1 National Electricity Transmission System Performance Characteristics

The Company shall ensure that, subject as provided in the Grid Code, the National Electricity Transmission System complies with the following technical, design and operational criteria in relation to the part of the National Electricity Transmission System at the Connection Site with a GB Code User and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, a Transmission Interface Point (unless otherwise specified in CC.6) although in relation to operational criteria The Company may be unable (and will not be required) to comply with this obligation to the extent that there are insufficient Power Stations or User Systems are not available, or Users do not comply with The Company's instructions or otherwise do not comply with the Grid Code and each GB Code User shall ensure that its Plant and Apparatus complies with the criteria set out in CC.6.1.5.

#### **Grid Frequency Variations**

- CC.6.1.2 The **Frequency** of the **National Electricity Transmission System** shall be nominally 50Hz and shall be controlled within the limits of 49.5 50.5Hz unless exceptional circumstances prevail, for example but not limited to, situations such as **System Restoration**.
- CC.6.1.3 The **System Frequency** could rise to 52Hz or fall to 47Hz in exceptional circumstances. Design of **GB Code User's Plant** and **Apparatus**, **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** and **Restoration Contractor's Plant** and **Apparatus** must enable operation of that **Plant** and **Apparatus** within that range in accordance with the following:

Frequency Range	Requirement
51.5Hz - 52Hz	Operation for a period of at least 15 minutes is required each
	time the <b>Frequency</b> is above 51.5Hz.
51Hz - 51.5Hz	Operation for a period of at least 90 minutes is required each
	time the <b>Frequency</b> is above 51Hz.
49.0Hz - 51Hz	Continuous operation is required
47.5Hz - 49.0Hz	Operation for a period of at least 90 minutes is required each
	time the <b>Frequency</b> is below 49.0Hz.
47Hz - 47.5Hz	Operation for a period of at least 20 seconds is required each
	time the <b>Frequency</b> is below 47.5Hz.

For the avoidance of doubt, disconnection, by frequency or speed based relays is not permitted within the frequency range 47.5Hz to 51.5Hz, unless agreed with **The Company** in accordance with CC.6.3.12.

# **Grid Voltage Variations**

CC.6.1.4 Subject as provided below, the voltage on the 400kV part of the National Electricity Transmission System at each Connection Site with a GB Code User (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, a Transmission Interface Point) will normally remain within ±5% of the nominal value unless abnormal conditions prevail. The minimum voltage is -10% and the maximum voltage is +10% unless abnormal conditions prevail, but voltages between +5% and +10% will not last longer than 15 minutes unless abnormal conditions prevail. Voltages on the 275kV and 132kV parts of the National Electricity Transmission System at each Connection Site with a User (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, a Transmission Interface Point) will normally remain within the limits ±10% of the nominal value unless abnormal conditions prevail for example but not limited to, situations such as during System Restoration. At nominal System voltages below 132kV the voltage of the National Electricity Transmission System at each Connection Site with a User (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, a Transmission Interface Point) will normally remain within the limits ±6% of the nominal value unless abnormal conditions prevail for example but not limited to, situations such as during System Restoration. Under fault conditions, voltage may collapse transiently to zero at the point of fault until the fault is cleared. The normal operating ranges of the National Electricity Transmission System are summarised below:

National Electricity Transmission System	Normal Operating Range
Nominal Voltage	
400kV	400kV ±5%
275kV	275kV ±10%
132kV	132kV ±10%

**The Company** and a **GB Code User** may agree greater or lesser variations in voltage to those set out above in relation to a particular **Connection Site**, and insofar as a greater or lesser variation is agreed, the relevant figure set out above shall, in relation to that **GB Code User** at the particular **Connection Site**, be replaced by the figure agreed.

#### Voltage Waveform Quality

CC.6.1.5 All **Plant** and **Apparatus** connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System**, and that part of the **National Electricity Transmission System** at each **Connection Site** or, in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, at each **Interface Point**, should be capable of withstanding the following distortions of the voltage waveform in respect of harmonic content and phase unbalance:

# (a) Harmonic Content

The Electromagnetic Compatibility Levels for harmonic distortion on the Onshore Transmission System from all sources under both Planned Outage and fault outage conditions, (unless abnormal conditions prevail) shall comply with Engineering Recommendation G5. The Electromagnetic Compatibility Levels for harmonic distortion on an Offshore Transmission System will be defined in relevant Bilateral Agreements.

Engineering Recommendation G5 contains planning criteria which The Company will apply to the connection of non-linear Load to the National Electricity Transmission System, which may result in harmonic emission limits being specified for these Loads in the relevant Bilateral Agreement. The application of the planning criteria will take into account the position of GB Code Users' and EU Code Users' Plant and Apparatus (and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) in relation to harmonic emissions. GB Code Users must ensure that connection of distorting loads to their User Systems do not cause any harmonic emission limits specified in the Bilateral Agreement, or where no such limits are specified, the relevant planning levels specified in Engineering Recommendation G5 to be exceeded.

#### (b) Phase Unbalance

Under Planned Outage conditions, the weekly 95 percentile of Phase (Voltage) Unbalance, calculated in accordance with IEC 61000-4-30 and IEC 61000-3-13, on the National Electricity Transmission System for voltages above 150kV should remain, in England and Wales, below 1.5%, and in Scotland, below 2%, and for voltages of 150kV and below, across GB below 2%, unless abnormal conditions prevail and Offshore (or in the case of OTSDUW, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) will be defined in relevant Bilateral Agreements.

The **Phase (Voltage) Unbalance** is calculated from the ratio of root mean square (rms) of negative phase sequence voltage to rms of positive phase sequence voltage, based on 10-minute average values, in accordance with IEC 61000-4-30.

Across GB, under the **Planned Outage** conditions stated in CC.6.1.5(b) infrequent short duration peaks with a maximum value of 2% are permitted for **Phase (Voltage) Unbalance**, for voltages above 150kV, subject to the prior agreement of **The Company** under the **Bilateral Agreement** and in relation to **OTSDUW**, the **Construction Agreement**. **The Company** will only agree following a specific assessment of the impact of these levels on **Transmission Apparatus** and other **Users Apparatus** with which it is satisfied.

#### Voltage Fluctuations

- CC.6.1.7 Voltage changes at a **Point of Common Coupling** on the **Onshore Transmission System** shall not exceed:
  - (a) The limits specified in Table CC.6.1.7(a) with the stated frequency of occurrence, where:

(i)

$$%\Delta V_{steadystate} = \left| 100 \text{ x } \frac{\Delta V_{steadystate}}{Vn} \right|$$

and

$$\%\Delta V_{max} = 100 \text{ x} \quad \frac{\Delta V_{max}}{V_n}$$
;

- (ii) V<sub>n</sub> is the nominal system voltage;
- (iii) V<sub>steadystate</sub> is the voltage at the end of a period of 1 s during which the rate of change of system voltage over time is ≤ 0.5%;

- (iv)  $\Delta V_{\text{steadystate}}$  is the difference in voltage between the initial steady state voltage prior to the RVC (V<sub>0</sub>) and the final steady state voltage after the RVC (V<sub>0</sub>·);
- (v)  $\Delta V_{max}$  is the absolute change in the system voltage relative to the initial steady state system voltage (V<sub>0</sub>);
- (vi) All voltages are the r.m.s. of the voltage measured over one cycle refreshed every half a cycle as per BS EN 61000-4-30; and
- (vii) The applications in the 'Example Applicability' column are examples only and are not definitive.

Cat- egory	Title	Maximum number of occurrence	Limits %ΔV <sub>max</sub> & %ΔV <sub>steadystate</sub>	Example Applicability
1	Frequent events	(see NOTE 1)	As per Figure CC.6.1.7 (1)	Any single or repetitive RVC that falls inside Figure CC.6.1.7 (1)
2	Infrequent events	4 events in 1 calendar month (see NOTE 2)	As per Figure CC.6.1.7 (2) $ \%\Delta V_{\text{steadystate}}  \le 3\%$ For decrease in voltage: $ \%\Delta V_{\text{max}}  \le 10\%$ (see NOTE 3) For increase in voltage: $ \%\Delta V_{\text{max}}  \le 6\%$ (see NOTE 4)	Infrequent motor starting, transformer energisation, re-energisation (see NOTE 7)
3	Very infrequent events	1 event in 3 calendar months (see NOTE 2)	As per Figure CC.6.1.7 (3) $ \%\Delta V_{\text{steadystate}}  \le 3\%$ For decrease in voltage: $ \%\Delta V_{\text{max}}  \le 12\%$ (see NOTE 5) For increase in voltage: $ \%\Delta V_{\text{max}}  \le 6\%$ (see NOTE 6)	Commissioning, maintenance & post fault switching (see NOTE 7)

- NOTE 1: ±6% is permissible for 100 ms reduced to ±3% thereafter as per Figure CC.6.1.7 (1). If the profile of repetitive voltage change(s) falls within the envelope given in Figure CC.6.1.7 (1), the assessment of such voltage change(s) shall be undertaken according to the recommendations for assessment of flicker <u>and</u> shall conform to the planning levels provided for flicker. If any part of the voltage change(s) falls outside the envelope given in Figure CC.6.1.7(1), the assessment of such voltage changes, repetitive or not, shall be done according to the guidance and limits for RVCs.
- NOTE 2: No more than 1 event is permitted per day, consisting of up to 4 RVCs, each separated by at least 10 minutes with all switching completed within a two-hour window.
- NOTE 3: -10% is permissible for 100 ms reduced to -6% until 2 s then reduced to -3% thereafter as per Figure CC.6.1.7 (2).
- NOTE 4: +6% is permissible for 0.8 s from the instant the event begins then reduced to +3% thereafter as per Figure CC.6.1.7 (2).
- NOTE 5: -12% is permissible for 100 ms reduced to -10% until 2 s then reduced to -3% thereafter as per Figure CC.6.1.7 (3).

- NOTE 6: +6% is permissible for 0.8 s from the instant the event begins then reduced to +3% thereafter as per Figure CC.6.1.7 (3).
- NOTE 7: These are examples only. Customers may opt to conform to the limits of another category providing the frequency of occurrence is not expected to exceed the 'Maximum number of occurrence' for the chosen category.

# Table CC.6.1.7 (a) - Planning levels for RVC

- (b) The voltage change limit is the absolute maximum allowed of either the phase-to-earth voltage change or the phase-to-phase voltage change, whichever is the highest. The limits do not apply to single phasor equivalent voltages, e.g. positive phase sequence (PPS) voltages. For high impedance earthed systems, the maximum phase-to-phase, i.e. line voltage, should be used for assessment.
- (c) The RVCs in Category 2 and 3 should not exceed the limits depicted in the time dependent characteristic shown in Figure CC.6.1.7 (2) and Figure CC.6.1.7 (3) respectively. These limits do not apply to: 1) fault clearance operations; or 2) immediate operations in response to fault conditions; or 3) operations relating to post fault system restoration (for the avoidance of doubt this third exception pertains to a fault that is external to the **Users Plant** and **Apparatus**).
- (d) Any RVCs permitted in Category 2 and Category 3 should be at least 10 minutes apart.
- (e) The value of V<sub>steadystate</sub> should be established immediately prior to the start of a RVC. Following a RVC, the voltage should remain within the relevant envelope, as shown in Figures CC.6.1.7 (1), CC.6.1.7 (2), CC.6.1.7 (3), until a V<sub>steadystate</sub> condition has been satisfied.

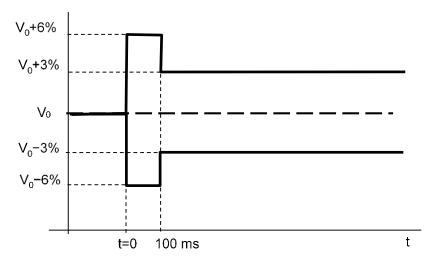


Figure CC.6.1.7 (1) — Voltage characteristic for frequent events

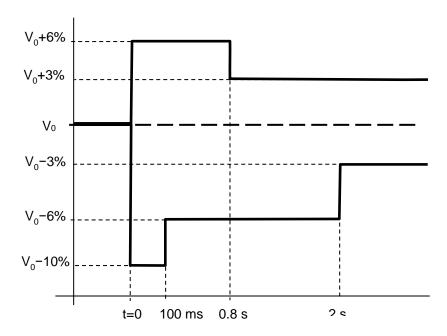


Figure CC.6.1.7 (2) — Voltage characteristic for infrequent events

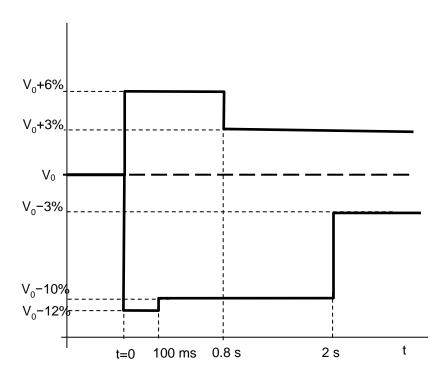


Figure CC.6.1.7 (3) — Voltage characteristic for very infrequent events

- (f) The voltage change between two steady state voltage conditions should not exceed 3%. (The limit is based on 3% of the nominal voltage of the system (V<sub>n</sub>) as measured at the Point of Common Coupling. The step voltage change as measured at the customer's supply terminals or equipment terminals could be greater. For example: The step voltage change limit stated in BS EN 61000-3-3 and BS EN 61000-3-11 is 3.3% when measured at the equipment terminals.)
- (g) The limits apply to voltage changes measured at the **Point of Common Coupling**.
- (h) Category 3 events that are planned should be notified to The Company in advance.

- (i) For connections with a **Completion Date** after 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 and where voltage changes would constitute a risk to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or, in **The Company's** view, the **System** of any **GB Code User**, **Bilateral Agreements** may include provision for **The Company** to reasonably limit the number of voltage changes in Category 2 or 3 to a lower number than specified in Table CC.6.1.7(a) to ensure that the total number of voltage changes at the **Point of Common Coupling** across multiple **Users** remains within the limits of Table CC.6.1.7(a).
- (j) The planning levels applicable to **Flicker Severity Short Term** (Pst) and **Flicker Severity Long Term** (Plt) are set out in Table CC.6.1.7(b).

Supply system Nominal voltage	Planning level	
	Flicker Severity Short Term (Pst)	Flicker Severity Long Term (Plt)
3.3 kV, 6.6 kV, 11 kV, 20 kV, 33 kV	0.9	0.7
66 kV, 110 kV, 132 kV, 150 kV, 200 kV, 220 kV, 275 kV, 400 kV	0.8	0.6

NOTE 1: The magnitude of P<sub>st</sub> is linear with respect to the magnitude of the voltage changes giving rise to it.

NOTE 2: Extreme caution is advised in allowing any excursions of P<sub>st</sub> and P<sub>lt</sub> above the planning level.

# Table CC.6.7.1(b) — Planning levels for flicker

The values and figures referred to in this paragraph CC.6.1.7 are derived from Engineering Recommendation P28 Issue 2.

- Voltage fluctuations at a **Point of Common Coupling** with a fluctuating **Load** directly connected to an **Offshore Transmission System** (or in the case of **OTSDUW**, **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**) shall not exceed the limits set out in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
  - Sub-Synchronous Resonance and Sub-Synchronous Torsional Interaction
- CC.6.1.9 The Company shall ensure that GB Code Users' Plant and Apparatus will not be subject to unacceptable Sub-Synchronous Oscillation conditions as specified in the relevant Licence Standards.
- CC.6.1.10 The Company shall ensure where necessary, and in consultation with Relevant Transmission Licensees where required, that any relevant site specific conditions applicable at a GB Code User's Connection Site, including a description of the Sub-Synchronous Oscillation conditions considered in the application of the relevant License Standards, are set out in the GB Code User's Bilateral Agreement.

# CC.6.2 Plant and Apparatus relating to Connection Site and Interface Point

The following requirements apply to **Plant** and **Apparatus** relating to the **Connection Point**, and **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** relating to the **Interface Point** (until the **OTSUA Transfer Time**) and **Connection Point** which (except as otherwise provided in the relevant paragraph) each **GB Code User** must ensure are complied with in relation to its **Plant** and **Apparatus** and which in the case of CC.6.2.2.2.2, CC.6.2.3.1.1 and CC.6.2.1.1(b) only, **The Company** must ensure are complied with in relation to **Transmission Plant** and **Apparatus**, as provided in those paragraphs.

#### CC.6.2.1 General Requirements

- CC.6.2.1.1 (a) The design of connections between the **National Electricity Transmission System** and:
  - (i) any Generating Unit (other than a CCGT Unit or Power Park Unit), DC Converter, Power Park Module or CCGT Module, or
  - (ii) any Network Operator's System, or
  - (iii) Non-Embedded Customers equipment;

will be consistent with the Licence Standards.

In the case of **OTSDUW**, the design of the **OTSUA's** connections at the **Interface Point** and **Connection Point** will be consistent with **Licence Standards**.

- (b) The National Electricity Transmission System (and any OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) at nominal System voltages of 132kV and above is/shall be designed to be earthed with an Earth Fault Factor of, in England and Wales or Offshore, below 1.4 and in Scotland, below 1.5. Under fault conditions the rated Frequency component of voltage could fall transiently to zero on one or more phases or, in England and Wales, rise to 140% phase-to-earth voltage, or in Scotland, rise to 150% phase-to-earth voltage. The voltage rise would last only for the time that the fault conditions exist. The fault conditions referred to here are those existing when the type of fault is single or two phase-to-earth.
- (c) For connections to the National Electricity Transmission System at nominal System voltages of below 132kV the earthing requirements and voltage rise conditions will be advised by The Company as soon as practicable prior to connection and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall be advised to The Company by the GB Code User.

#### CC.6.2.1.2 Substation Plant and Apparatus

- (a) The following provisions shall apply to all Plant and Apparatus which is connected at the voltage of the Connection Point (and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point) and which is contained in equipment bays that are within the Transmission busbar Protection zone at the Connection Point. This includes circuit breakers, switch disconnectors, disconnectors, Earthing Devices, power transformers, voltage transformers, reactors, current transformers, surge arresters, bushings, neutral equipment, capacitors, line traps, coupling devices, external insulation and insulation co-ordination devices. Where necessary, this is as more precisely defined in the Bilateral Agreement.
  - (i) Plant and/or Apparatus prior to 1st January 1999

Each item of such Plant and/or Apparatus which at 1st January 1999 is either:

installed; or

owned (but is either in storage, maintenance or awaiting installation); or

ordered;

and is the subject of a **Bilateral Agreement** with regard to the purpose for which it is in use or intended to be in use, shall comply with the relevant standards/specifications applicable at the time that the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** was designed (rather than commissioned) and any further requirements as specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

(ii) Plant and/or Apparatus post 1st January 1999 for a new Connection Point (including OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point)

Each item of such Plant and/or Apparatus installed in relation to a new Connection Point (or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point) after 1st January 1999 shall comply with the relevant Technical Specifications and any further requirements identified by The Company, acting reasonably, to reflect the options to be followed within the Technical Specifications and/or to complement if necessary the Technical Specifications so as to enable The Company to comply with its obligations in relation to the National Electricity Transmission System or the Relevant Transmission Licensee to comply with its obligations in relation to its Transmission System. This information, including the application dates of the relevant Technical Specifications, will be as specified in the Bilateral Agreement.

(iii) New Plant and/or Apparatus post 1st January 1999 for an existing Connection Point (including OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point)

Each new additional and/or replacement item of such Plant and/or Apparatus installed in relation to a change to an existing Connection Point (or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point and Connection Point) after 1st January 1999 shall comply with the standards/specifications applicable when the change was designed, or such other standards/specifications as necessary to ensure that the item of Plant and/or Apparatus is reasonably fit for its intended purpose having due regard to the obligations of The Company, the relevant GB Code User and the Relevant Transmission Licensee under their respective Licences. Where appropriate this information, including the application dates of the relevant standards/specifications, will be as specified in the varied Bilateral Agreement.

(iv) <u>Used Plant and/or Apparatus being moved, re-used or modified</u>

If, after its installation, any such item of Plant and/or Apparatus is subsequently:

moved to a new location; or

used for a different purpose; or

otherwise modified;

then the standards/specifications as described in (i), (ii), or (iii) above or in ECC.6.2.1.2 (as applicable) will apply as appropriate to such **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**, which must be reasonably fit for its intended purpose having due regard to the obligations of **The Company**, the relevant **GB Code User** or **EU Code User** (as applicable) and the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** under their respective **Licences**.

- (b) The Company shall at all times maintain a list of those Technical Specifications and additional requirements which might be applicable under this CC.6.2.1.2 and which may be referenced by The Company in the Bilateral Agreement. The Company shall provide a copy of the list upon request to any User.
- (c) Where the GB Code User provides The Company with information and/or test reports in respect of Plant and/or Apparatus which the GB Code User reasonably believes demonstrate the compliance of such items with the provisions of a Technical Specification, then The Company shall promptly and without unreasonable delay give due and proper consideration to such information.
- (d) Plant and Apparatus shall be designed, manufactured and tested in premises with an accredited certificate in accordance with the quality assurance requirements of the relevant standard in the BS EN ISO 9000 series (or equivalent as reasonably approved by The Company) or in respect of test premises which do not include a manufacturing facility premises with an accredited certificate in accordance with BS EN 45001.
- (e) Each connection between an GB Code User and the National Electricity Transmission System must be controlled by a circuit-breaker (or circuit breakers) capable of interrupting the maximum short circuit current at the point of connection. The Electricity Ten Year Statement gives values of short circuit current and the rating of Transmission circuit breakers at existing and committed Connection Points for future years.

- (f) Each connection between a GB Generator undertaking OTSDUW or an Onshore Transmission Licensee, must be controlled by a circuit breaker (or circuit breakers) capable of interrupting the maximum short circuit current at the Transmission Interface Point. The Electricity Ten Year Statement gives values of short circuit current and the rating of Transmission circuit breakers at existing and committed Transmission Interface Points for future years.
- CC.6.2.2 Requirements at Connection Points or, in the case of OTSDUW at Interface Points that relate to GB
  Generators or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or DC Converter Station owners
- CC.6.2.2.1 Not Used.
- CC.6.2.2.2 Generating Unit, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and Power Station Protection Arrangements
- CC.6.2.2.2.1 <u>Minimum Requirements</u>
- CC.6.2.2.2.1.1 Protection of Generating Units (other than Power Park Units), DC Converters, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Modules and their connections to the National Electricity Transmission System shall meet the requirements given below. These are necessary to reduce the impact on the National Electricity Transmission System of faults on OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus circuits or circuits owned by GB Generators or DC Converter Station owners.
- CC.6.2.2.2.1.2 Restoration Contractors shall, if required in a Restoration Plan, have the ability to switch:
  - a) From the normal to the alternative Protection settings on their Plant and Apparatus and:-
  - b) From the alternative to the normal **Protection** settings whilst their **Plant** remains in service.

Any alternative **Protection** settings shall be included in the **Restoration Plan**. Normal and alternative **Protection** settings shall be agreed between **The Company** and/or **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and/or **Network Operator** and **Restoration Contractor** as part of developing a **Restoration Plan**.

# CC.6.2.2.2.2 Fault Clearance Times

- (a) The required fault clearance time for faults on the GB Generator's or DC Converter Station owner's equipment directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and for faults on the National Electricity Transmission System directly connected to the GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner's equipment or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, from fault inception to the circuit breaker arc extinction, shall be set out in the Bilateral Agreement. The fault clearance time specified in the Bilateral Agreement shall not be shorter than the durations specified in (i), (ii) and (iii) below:
  - (i) 80ms at 400kV
  - (ii) 100ms at 275kV
  - (iii) 120ms at 132kV and below

but this shall not prevent the **GB Code User** or the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** or the **GB Generator** (including in respect of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**) from selecting a shorter fault clearance time on their own **Plant** and **Apparatus** provided **Discrimination** is achieved.

A longer fault clearance time may be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** for faults on the **National Electricity Transmission System**. A longer fault clearance time for faults on the **GB Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner's equipment or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** may be agreed with **The Company** in accordance with the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement** but only if **System** requirements, in **The Company's** view, permit. The probability that the fault clearance time stated in the **Bilateral Agreement** will be exceeded by any given fault, must be less than 2%.

(b) In the event that the required fault clearance time is not met as a result of failure to operate on the Main Protection System(s) provided, GB Generators or DC Converter Station owners or GB Generators in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall, except as specified below provide Independent Back-Up Protection. The Relevant Transmission Licensee will also provide Back-Up Protection; and the Relevant Transmission Licensee's and the GB Code User's Back-Up Protections will be co-ordinated so as to provide Discrimination.

On a Generating Unit (other than a Power Park Unit), DC Converter or Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus in respect of which the Completion Date is after 20 January 2016 and connected to the National Electricity Transmission System at 400kV or 275kV and where two Independent Main Protections are provided to clear faults on the HV Connections within the required fault clearance time, the Back-Up Protection provided by GB Generators (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) and DC Converter Station owner shall operate to give a fault clearance time of no longer than 300ms at the minimum infeed for normal operation for faults on the HV Connections. Where two Independent Main Protections are installed, the Back-Up Protection may be integrated into one (or both) of the Independent Main Protection relays.

On a **Generating Unit** (other than a **Power Park Unit**), **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** in respect of which the **Completion Date** is after 20 January 2016 and connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** at 132 kV and where only one **Main Protection** is provided to clear faults on the **HV Connections** within the required fault clearance time, the **Independent Back-Up Protection** provided by the **GB Generator** (including in respect of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**) and the **DC Converter Station** owner shall operate to give a fault clearance time of no longer than 300ms at the minimum infeed for normal operation for faults on the **HV Connections**.

On a Generating Unit (other than a Power Park Unit), DC Converter or Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus connected to the National Electricity Transmission System and on Generating Units (other than a Power Park Unit), DC Converters or Power Park Modules or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus connected to the National Electricity Transmission System at 400 kV or 275 kV or 132 kV, in respect of which the Completion Date is before the 20 January 2016, the Back-Up Protection or Independent Back-Up Protection shall operate to give a fault clearance time of no longer than 800ms in England and Wales or 300ms in Scotland at the minimum infeed for normal operation for faults on the HV Connections.

A Generating Unit (other than a Power Park Unit), DC Converter or Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) with Back-Up Protection or Independent Back-Up Protection will also be required to withstand, without tripping, the loading incurred during the clearance of a fault on the National Electricity Transmission System by breaker fail Protection at 400kV or 275kV or of a fault cleared by Back-Up Protection where the GB Generator (including in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) or DC Converter is connected at 132kV and below. This will permit Discrimination between GB Generator in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or DC Converter Station owners' Back-Up Protection or Independent Back-Up Protection and the Back-Up Protection provided on the National Electricity Transmission System and other Users' Systems.

- (c) When the Generating Unit (other than Power Park Units), or the DC Converter or Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus is connected to the National Electricity Transmission System at 400kV or 275kV, and in Scotland and Offshore also at 132kV, and a circuit breaker is provided by the GB Generator (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) or the DC Converter Station owner, or the Relevant Transmission Licensee, as the case may be, to interrupt fault current interchange with the National Electricity Transmission System, or GB Generator's System, or DC Converter Station owner's System, as the case may be, circuit breaker fail Protection shall be provided by the GB Generator (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) or DC Converter Station owner, or the Relevant Transmission Licensee as the case may be, on this circuit breaker. In the event, following operation of a Protection system, of a failure to interrupt fault current by these circuit-breakers within the Fault Current Interruption Time, the circuit breaker fail Protection is required to initiate tripping of all the necessary electrically adjacent circuit-breakers so as to interrupt the fault current within the next 200ms.
- (d) The target performance for the System Fault Dependability Index shall be not less than 99%. This is a measure of the ability of Protection to initiate successful tripping of circuit breakers which are associated with the faulty item of Apparatus.

#### CC.6.2.2.3 Equipment to be provided

#### CC.6.2.2.3.1 Protection of Interconnecting Connections

The requirements for the provision of **Protection** equipment for interconnecting connections will be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**. In this **CC**, the term "interconnecting connections" means the primary conductors from the current transformer accommodation on the circuit side of the circuit breaker to the **Connection Point** or the primary conductors from the current transformer accommodation on the circuit side of the **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** of the circuit breaker to the **Transmission Interface Point**.

#### CC.6.2.2.3.2 Circuit-breaker fail Protection

The GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner will install circuit breaker fail Protection equipment in accordance with the requirements of the Bilateral Agreement. The GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner will also provide a back-trip signal in the event of loss of air from its pressurised head circuit breakers, during the Generating Unit (other than a CCGT Unit or Power Park Unit) or CCGT Module or DC Converter or Power Park Module run-up sequence, where these circuit breakers are installed.

#### CC.6.2.2.3.3 Loss of Excitation

The **GB Generator** must provide **Protection** to detect loss of excitation on a **Generating Unit** and initiate a **Generating Unit** trip.

#### CC.6.2.2.3.4 Pole-Slipping Protection

Where, in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, **System** requirements dictate, **The Company** will specify in the **Bilateral Agreement** a requirement for **GB Generators** to fit pole-slipping **Protection** on their **Generating Units**.

# CC.6.2.2.3.5 Signals for Tariff Metering

**GB** Generators and **DC** Converter Station owners will install current and voltage transformers supplying all tariff meters at a voltage to be specified in, and in accordance with, the **Bilateral** Agreement.

# CC.6.2.2.4 Work on Protection Equipment

No busbar **Protection**, mesh corner **Protection**, circuit-breaker fail **Protection** relays, AC or DC wiring (other than power supplies or DC tripping associated with the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** itself) may be worked upon or altered by the **GB Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner personnel in the absence of a representative of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, or written authority from the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** to perform such work or alterations in the absence of a representative of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**.

#### CC.6.2.2.5 Relay Settings

**Protection** and relay settings will be co-ordinated (both on connection and subsequently) across the **Connection Point** in accordance with the **Bilateral Agreement** and in relation to **OTSDUW Plant** and **Apparatus**, across the **Interface Point** in accordance with the **Bilateral Agreement** to ensure effective disconnection of faulty **Apparatus**.

# CC.6.2.2.6 Control Schemes and Settings

- CC.6.2.2.6.1 The schemes and settings of the different control devices on a Generating Unit, Power Park Module or DC Converter that are necessary for Transmission System stability and for taking emergency action shall be agreed with The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and the GB Generator or DC Converter owner or Restoration Contractor. Restoration Contractors shall have the ability to switch from alternative control schemes and settings on their Plant and Apparatus and to be capable of switching from the agreed alternative settings to normal settings whilst remaining in service if they are required to satisfy their obligations in a Restoration Plan. Changes to any control schemes and settings shall be agreed between The Company and/or Relevant Transmission Licensee and/or Network Operator as part of developing a Restoration Plan.
- CC.6.2.2.6.2 Subject to the requirements of CC.6.2.2.6.1, any changes to the schemes and settings, defined in CC.6.2.2.6.1, of the different control devices of the **Generating Unit** or **Power Park Module** or **Restoration Contractor's Plant** and **Apparatus** or **DC Converter** shall be coordinated and agreed between the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, the **GB Generator**, **Restoration Contractor** and **DC Converter** owner.
- CC.6.2.3 Requirements at Connection Points relating to Network Operators and Non-Embedded Customers
- CC.6.2.3.1 Protection Arrangements for Network Operators and Non-Embedded Customers
- CC.6.2.3.1.1 **Protection** of **Network Operator** and **Non-Embedded Customers Systems** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System**, shall meet the requirements given below:

#### Fault Clearance Times

- (a) The required fault clearance time for faults on **Network Operator** and **Non-Embedded Customer** equipment directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System**, and for faults on the **National Electricity Transmission System** directly connected to the **Network Operator's** or **Non-Embedded Customer's** equipment, from fault inception to the circuit breaker arc extinction, shall be set out in each **Bilateral Agreement**. The fault clearance time specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** shall not be shorter than the durations specified in (i), (ii) and (iii) below:
  - (i) 80ms at 400kV
  - (ii) 100ms at 275kV
  - (iii) 120ms at 132kV and below

but this shall not prevent the **GB Code User** or the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** from selecting a shorter fault clearance time on its own **Plant** and **Apparatus** provided **Discrimination** is achieved.

For the purpose of establishing the **Protection** requirements in accordance with CC.6.2.3.1.1 only, the point of connection of the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** equipment to the **National Electricity Transmission System** shall be deemed to be the low voltage busbars at a **GB Grid Supply Point**, irrespective of the ownership of the equipment at the **GB Grid Supply Point**.

A longer fault clearance time may be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** for faults on the **National Electricity Transmission System**. A longer fault clearance time for faults on the **Network Operator** and **Non-Embedded Customers** equipment may be agreed with **The Company** in accordance with the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement** but only if **System** requirements in **The Company's** view permit. The probability that the fault clearance time stated in the **Bilateral Agreement** will be exceeded by any given fault must be less than 2%.

(b) (i) For the event of failure of the **Protection** systems provided to meet the above fault clearance time requirements, **Back-Up Protection** shall be provided by the **Network** 

- Operator or Non-Embedded Customer as the case may be.
- (ii) The Relevant Transmission Licensee will also provide Back-Up Protection, which will result in a fault clearance time longer than that specified for the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer Back-Up Protection so as to provide Discrimination.
- (iii) For connections with the National Electricity Transmission System at 132kV and below, it is normally required that the Back-Up Protection on the National Electricity Transmission System shall discriminate with the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer's Back-Up Protection.
- (iv) For connections with the **National Electricity Transmission System** at 400kV or 275kV, the **Back-Up Protection** will be provided by the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer**, as the case may be, with a fault clearance time not longer than 300ms for faults on the **Network Operator's** or **Non-Embedded Customer's Apparatus**.
- (v) Such Protection will also be required to withstand, without tripping, the loading incurred during the clearance of a fault on the National Electricity Transmission System by breaker fail Protection at 400kV or 275kV. This will permit Discrimination between Network Operator's Back-Up Protection or Non-Embedded Customer's Back-Up Protection, as the case may be, and Back-Up Protection provided on the National Electricity Transmission System and other User Systems. The requirement for and level of Discrimination required will be specified in the Bilateral Agreement.
- (c) (i) Where the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer is connected to the National Electricity Transmission System at 400kV or 275kV, and in Scotland also at 132kV, and a circuit breaker is provided by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, or the Relevant Transmission Licensee, as the case may be, to interrupt the interchange of fault current with the National Electricity Transmission System or the System of the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, as the case may be, circuit breaker fail Protection will be provided by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, or the Relevant Transmission Licensee, as the case may be, on this circuit breaker.
  - (ii) In the event, following operation of a **Protection** system, of a failure to interrupt fault current by these circuit-breakers within the **Fault Current Interruption Time**, the circuit breaker fail **Protection** is required to initiate tripping of all the necessary electrically adjacent circuit-breakers so as to interrupt the fault current within the next 200ms.
- (d) The target performance for the **System Fault Dependability Index** shall be not less than 99%. This is a measure of the ability of **Protection** to initiate successful tripping of circuit breakers which are associated with the faulty items of **Apparatus**.

# CC.6.2.3.2 Fault Disconnection Facilities

- (a) Where no Transmission circuit breaker is provided at the GB Code User's connection voltage, the GB Code User must provide The Company with the means of tripping all the GB Code User's circuit breakers necessary to isolate faults or System abnormalities on the National Electricity Transmission System. In these circumstances, for faults on the GB Code User's System, the GB Code User's Protection should also trip higher voltage Transmission circuit breakers. These tripping facilities shall be in accordance with the requirements specified in the Bilateral Agreement.
- (b) The Company may require the installation of a System to Generator Operational Intertripping Scheme in order to enable the timely restoration of circuits following power System fault(s). These requirements shall be set out in the relevant Bilateral Agreement.

# CC.6.2.3.3 <u>Automatic Switching Equipment</u>

Where automatic reclosure of **Transmission** circuit breakers is required following faults on the **GB Code User's System**, automatic switching equipment shall be provided in accordance with the requirements specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

#### CC.6.2.3.4 Relay Settings

**Protection** and relay settings will be co-ordinated (both on connection and subsequently) across the **Connection Point** in accordance with the **Bilateral Agreement** to ensure effective disconnection of faulty **Apparatus**.

#### CC.6.2.3.5 Work on Protection equipment

Where a **Transmission Licensee** owns the busbar at the **Connection Point**, no busbar **Protection**, mesh corner **Protection** relays, AC or DC wiring (other than power supplies or DC tripping associated with the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer's Apparatus** itself) may be worked upon or altered by the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** personnel in the absence of a representative of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** or written authority from the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** to perform such work or alterations in the absence of a representative of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**.

# CC.6.2.3.6 Equipment to be provided

# CC.6.2.3.6.1 Protection of Interconnecting Connections

The requirements for the provision of **Protection** equipment for interconnecting connections will be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

# CC.6.2.3.7 Network Operators Systems

Network Operators shall, if required in a Restoration Plan, have the ability to switch:-

- a) From the normal to the alternative **Protection** settings and control settings on their **Plant** and **Apparatus**; and:-
- b) From the alternative to the normal **Protection** settings and control settings whilst their **Plant** remains in service,

Any alternative **Protection** settings or control settings shall be included in the **Restoration Plan**. Normal and alternative **Protection** settings and control settings shall be agreed between **The Company** and the **Network Operator** as part of developing a **Restoration Plan**.

# CC.6.3 GENERAL GENERATING UNIT (AND OTSDUW) REQUIREMENTS

This section sets out the technical and design criteria and performance requirements for Generating Units, DC Converters and Power Park Modules (whether directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System or Embedded) and (where provided in this section) OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus which each GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner must ensure are complied with in relation to its Generating Units, DC Converters and Power Park Modules and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus but does not apply to Small Power Stations or individually to Power Park Units. References to Generating Units, DC Converters and Power Park Modules in this CC.6.3 should be read accordingly. The performance requirements that OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus must be capable of providing at the Interface Point under this section may be provided using a combination of GB Generator Plant and Apparatus and/or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus.

#### Plant Performance Requirements

(a) When supplying Rated MW all Onshore Synchronous Generating Units must be capable of continuous operation at any point between the limits 0.85 Power Factor lagging and 0.95 Power Factor leading at the Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit terminals. At Active Power output levels other than Rated MW, all Onshore Synchronous Generating Units must be capable of continuous operation at any point between the Reactive Power capability limits identified on the Generator Performance Chart.

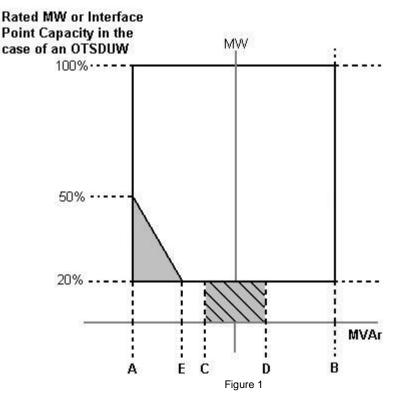
In addition to the above paragraph, where **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit(s)**:

- (i) have a Connection Entry Capacity which has been increased above Rated MW (or the Connection Entry Capacity of the CCGT module has increased above the sum of the Rated MW of the Generating Units compromising the CCGT module), and such increase takes effect after 1<sup>st</sup> May 2009, the minimum lagging Reactive Power capability at the terminals of the Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit(s) must be 0.9 Power Factor at all Active Power output levels in excess of Rated MW. Further, the User shall comply with the provisions of and any instructions given pursuant to BC1.8 and the relevant Bilateral Agreement; or
- (ii) have a Connection Entry Capacity in excess of Rated MW (or the Connection Entry Capacity of the CCGT module exceeds the sum of Rated MW of the Generating Units comprising the CCGT module) and a Completion Date before 1<sup>st</sup> May 2009, alternative provisions relating to Reactive Power capability may be specified in the Bilateral Agreement and where this is the case such provisions must be complied with.

The short circuit ratio of **Onshore Synchronous Generating Units** with an **Apparent Power** rating of less than 1600MVA shall be not less than 0.5. The short circuit ratio of **Onshore Synchronous Generating Units** with a rated **Apparent Power** of 1600MVA or above shall be not less than 0.4.

(b) Subject to paragraph (c) below, all Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units, Onshore DC Converters and Onshore Power Park Modules must be capable of maintaining zero transfer of Reactive Power at the Onshore Grid Entry Point (or User System Entry Point if Embedded) at all Active Power output levels under steady state voltage conditions. For Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units and Onshore Power Park Modules the steady state tolerance on Reactive Power transfer to and from the National Electricity Transmission System expressed in MVAr shall be no greater than 5% of the Rated MW. For Onshore DC Converters the steady state tolerance on Reactive Power transfer to and from the National Electricity Transmission System shall be specified in the Bilateral Agreement.

(c) Subject to the provisions of CC.6.3.2(d) below, all **Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating** Units, Onshore DC Converters (excluding current source technology) and Onshore Power Park Modules (excluding those connected to the Total System by a current source Onshore DC Converter) and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point with a Completion Date on or after 1 January 2006 must be capable of supplying Rated MW output or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at any point between the limits 0.95 Power Factor lagging and 0.95 Power Factor leading at the Onshore Grid Entry Point in England and Wales or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or at the HV side of the 33/132kV or 33/275kV or 33/400kV transformer for GB Generators directly connected to the Onshore Transmission System in Scotland (or User System Entry Point if Embedded). With all Plant in service, the Reactive Power limits defined at Rated MW or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at Lagging Power Factor will apply at all Active Power output levels above 20% of the Rated MW or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus output as defined in Figure 1. With all Plant in service, the Reactive Power limits defined at Rated MW at Leading Power Factor will apply at all Active Power output levels above 50% of the Rated MW output or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus as defined in Figure 1. With all Plant in service, the Reactive Power limits will reduce linearly below 50% Active Power output as shown in Figure 1 unless the requirement to maintain the Reactive Power limits defined at Rated MW or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at Leading Power Factor down to 20% Active Power output is specified in the Bilateral Agreement. These Reactive Power limits will be reduced pro rata to the amount of Plant in service.



Point A is equivalent (in MVAr) to

0.95 leading **Power Factor** at **Rated MW** output or **Interface Point Capacity** in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** 

Point B is equivalent (in MVAr) to:

0.95 lagging Power Factor at Rated MW output or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus

Point C is equivalent (in MVAr) to:

-5% of **Rated MW** output or **Interface Point Capacity** in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** 

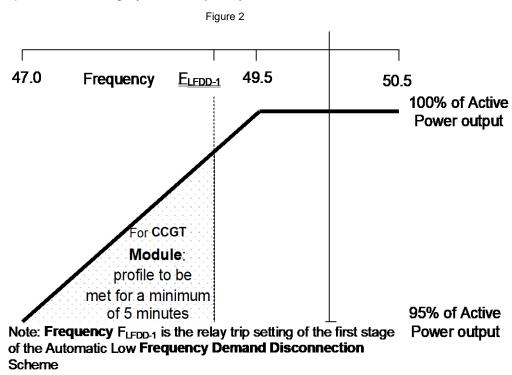
Point D is equivalent (in MVAr) to:

+5% of Rated MW output or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus

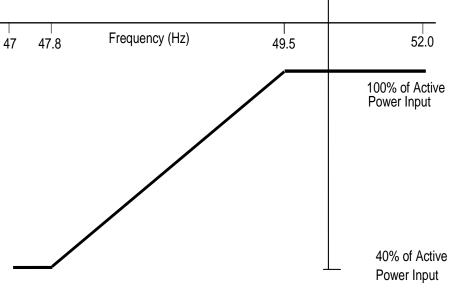
Point E is equivalent -12% of **Rated MW** output or **Interface Point Capacity** in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** 

- (d) All **Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units** and **Onshore Power Park Modules** in Scotland with a **Completion Date** after 1 April 2005 and before 1 January 2006 must be capable of supplying **Rated MW** at the range of power factors either:
  - (i) from 0.95 lead to 0.95 lag as illustrated in Figure 1 at the User System Entry Point for Embedded GB Generators or at the HV side of the 33/132kV or 33/275kV or 33/400kV transformer for GB Generators directly connected to the Onshore Transmission System. With all Plant in service, the Reactive Power limits defined at Rated MW will apply at all Active Power output levels above 20% of the Rated MW output as defined in Figure 1. These Reactive Power limits will be reduced pro rata to the amount of Plant in service, or
  - (ii) from 0.95 lead to 0.90 lag at the **Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit** (including **Power Park Unit**) terminals. For the avoidance of doubt **GB Generators** complying with this option (ii) are not required to comply with CC.6.3.2(b).
- (e) The short circuit ratio of Offshore Synchronous Generating Units at a Large Power Station shall be not less than 0.5. At a Large Power Station all Offshore Synchronous Generating Units, Offshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units, Offshore DC Converters and Offshore Power Park Modules must be capable of maintaining:
  - (i) zero transfer of Reactive Power at the Offshore Grid Entry Point for all GB Generators with an Offshore Grid Entry Point at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform at all Active Power output levels under steady state voltage conditions. The steady state tolerance on Reactive Power transfer to and from an Offshore Transmission System expressed in MVAr shall be no greater than 5% of the Rated MW, or
  - (ii) a transfer of Reactive Power at the Offshore Grid Entry Point at a value specified in the Bilateral Agreement that will be equivalent to zero at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform. In addition, the steady state tolerance on Reactive Power transfer to and from an Offshore Transmission System expressed in MVAr at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform shall be no greater than 5% of the Rated MW, or
  - (iii) the Reactive Power capability (within an associated steady state tolerance) specified in the Bilateral Agreement if any alternative has been agreed with the GB Generator, Offshore Transmission Licensee and The Company. In the case of Generators and/or DC Converter owners who are GB Code User's and also Restoration Contractors who own and operate Anchor Plant and/or Top Up Restoration Plant, or GB Code Users who own and operate Plant and Apparatus which is operating with a Grid Forming Capability in service, the Reactive Power capability requirements at the Offshore Grid Entry Point shall be agreed between the Restoration Contractor or GB Code User, the Offshore Transmission Licensee and The Company in order to facilitate the operation of an Offshore Local Joint Restoration Plan.
- (f) In addition, a Genset shall meet the operational requirements as specified in BC2.A.2.6.
- CC.6.3.3 Each Generating Unit, DC Converter (including an OTSDUW DC Converter), Power Park Module and/or CCGT Module must be capable of:
  - (a) continuously maintaining constant **Active Power** output for **System Frequency** changes within the range 50.5 to 49.5 Hz; and

(b) (subject to the provisions of CC.6.1.3) maintaining its Active Power output at a level not lower than the figure determined by the linear relationship shown in Figure 2 for System Frequency changes within the range 49.5 to 47 Hz, such that if the System Frequency drops to 47 Hz the Active Power output does not decrease by more than 5%. In the case of a CCGT Module, the above requirement shall be retained down to the Low Frequency Relay trip setting of 48.8 Hz, which reflects the first stage of the automatic low Frequency Demand Disconnection scheme notified to Network Operators under OC6.6.2. For System Frequency below that setting, the existing requirement shall be retained for a minimum period of 5 minutes while System Frequency remains below that setting, and special measure(s) that may be required to meet this requirement shall be kept in service during this period. After that 5 minute period, if System Frequency remains below that setting, the special measure(s) must be discontinued if there is a materially increased risk of the Gas Turbine tripping. The need for special measure(s) is linked to the inherent Gas Turbine Active Power output reduction caused by reduced shaft speed due to falling System Frequency.



- (c) For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of a Generating Unit or Power Park Module (or OTSDUW DC Converters at the Interface Point) using an Intermittent Power Source where the mechanical power input will not be constant over time, the requirement is that the Active Power output shall be independent of System Frequency under (a) above and should not drop with System Frequency by greater than the amount specified in (b) above.
- (d) A DC Converter Station must be capable of maintaining its Active Power input (i.e. when operating in a mode analogous to Demand) from the National Electricity Transmission System (or User System in the case of an Embedded DC Converter Station) at a level not greater than the figure determined by the linear relationship shown in Figure 3 for System Frequency changes within the range 49.5 to 47 Hz, such that if the System Frequency drops to 47.8 Hz the Active Power input decreases by more than 60%.



- Figure 3
- (e) At a Large Power Station, in the case of an Offshore Generating Unit, Offshore Power Park Module, Offshore DC Converter and OTSDUW DC Converter, the GB Generator shall comply with the requirements of CC.6.3.3. GB Generators should be aware that Section K of the STC places requirements on Offshore Transmission Licensees which utilise a Transmission DC Converter as part of their Offshore Transmission System to make appropriate provisions to enable GB Generators to fulfil their obligations.
- (f) In the case of an OTSDUW DC Converter the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall provide a continuous signal indicating the real time frequency measured at the Interface Point to the Offshore Grid Entry Point.
- At the **Grid Entry Point**, the **Active Power** output under steady state conditions of any **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or in the case of **OTSDUW**, the **Active Power** transfer at the **Interface Point**, under steady state conditions of any **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** should not be affected by voltage changes in the normal operating range specified in paragraph CC.6.1.4 by more than the change in **Active Power** losses at reduced or increased voltage. In addition:
  - (a) For any Onshore Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter and Onshore Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, the Reactive Power output under steady state conditions should be fully available within the voltage range ±5% at 400kV, 275kV and 132kV and lower voltages, except for an Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit if Embedded at 33kV and below (or directly connected to the Onshore Transmission System at 33kV and below) where the requirement shown in Figure 4 applies.
  - (b) At a Large Power Station, in the case of an Offshore Generating Unit, Offshore DC Converter and Offshore Power Park Module where an alternative reactive capability has been agreed with the GB Generator, as specified in CC.6.3.2(e) (iii), the voltage / Reactive Power requirement shall be specified in the Bilateral Agreement. The Reactive Power output under steady state conditions shall be fully available within the voltage range ±5% at 400kV, 275kV and 132kV and lower voltages.

Voltage at an **Onshore Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** if **Embedded** (% of Nominal) at 33 kV and below

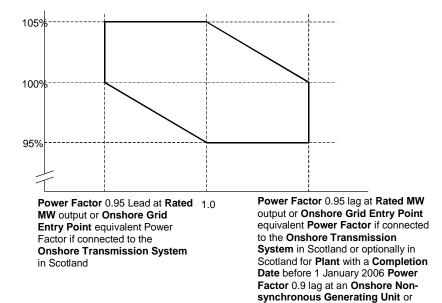


Figure 4

**Onshore Power Park Unit Terminals** 

#### CC.6.3.5 System Restoration

CC.6.3.5.1 It is an essential requirement that **The Company** has a means of implementing **System Restoration** in accordance with the requirements of the **Electricity System Restoration Standard**. This is facilitated by agreeing contracts with **Restoration Contractors** who have **Plant** at a number of strategically located sites. In the case of **Restoration Contractors** who are party to a **Distribution Restoration Zone Plan**, **The Company** shall agree the requirements with the relevant **Network Operator** and **Restoration Contractors**.

- CC.6.3.5.2 A **GBGF-I** designed with an **Anchor Plant Capability** will also be capable of satisfying the relevant **Grid Forming Capability** requirements defined in ECC.6.3.19 as agreed with **The Company**.
- CC.6.3.5.3 Restoration Contractors who are Offshore Generators and Transmission DC Converter owners who are part of an Offshore Local Joint Restoration Plan, shall ensure their Plant and Apparatus is designed to satisfy the requirements of CC.7.10 and CC.7.11.

#### **Control Arrangements**

#### CC.6.3.6 (a) Each:

- (i) Offshore Generating Unit in a Large Power Station or Onshore Generating Unit; or,
- (ii) Onshore DC Converter with a Completion Date on or after 1 April 2005 or Offshore DC Converter at a Large Power Station; or,
- (iii) **Onshore Power Park Module** in England and Wales with a **Completion Date** on or after 1 January 2006; or,
- (iv) Onshore Power Park Module in operation in Scotland on or after 1 January 2006 (with a Completion Date after 1 July 2004 and in a Power Station with a Registered Capacity of 50MW or more); or,
- (v) Offshore Power Park Module in a Large Power Station with a Registered Capacity of 50MW or more:

must be capable of contributing to **Frequency** control by continuous modulation of **Active Power** supplied to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the **User System** in which it is **Embedded**. For the avoidance of doubt, each **OTSDUW DC Converter** shall provide each **GB Code User** in respect of its **Offshore Power Stations** connected to and/or using an **Offshore Transmission System** a continuous signal indicating the real time **Frequency** measured at the **Transmission Interface Point**.

#### (b) Each:

- (i) Onshore Generating Unit; or,
- (ii) Onshore DC Converter (with a Completion Date on or after 1 April 2005 excluding current source technologies); or
- (iii) Onshore Power Park Module in England and Wales with a Completion Date on or after 1 January 2006; or,
- (iv) Onshore Power Park Module in Scotland irrespective of Completion Date; or,
- (v) Offshore Generating Unit at a Large Power Station, Offshore DC Converter at a Large Power Station or Offshore Power Park Module at a Large Power Station which provides a reactive range beyond the minimum requirements specified in CC.6.3.2(e) (iii); or,
- (vi) OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at a Transmission Interface Point

must be capable of contributing to voltage control by continuous changes to the **Reactive Power** supplied to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the **User System** in which it is **Embedded**.

- CC.6.3.7 (a) Each Generating Unit, DC Converter or Power Park Module (excluding Onshore Power Park Modules in Scotland with a Completion Date before 1 July 2004 or Onshore Power Park Modules in a Power Station in Scotland with a Registered Capacity less than 50MW or Offshore Power Park Modules in a Large Power Station located Offshore with a Registered Capacity less than 50MW) must be fitted with a fast acting proportional Frequency control device (or turbine speed governor) and unit load controller or equivalent control device to provide Frequency response under normal operational conditions in accordance with Balancing Code 3 (BC3). In the case of a Power Park Module the Frequency or speed control device(s) may be on the Power Park Module or on each individual Power Park Unit or be a combination of both. The Frequency control device(s) (or speed governor(s)) must be designed and operated to the appropriate:
  - (i) European Specification; or
  - (ii) in the absence of a relevant **European Specification**, such other standard which is in common use within the European Community (which may include a manufacturer specification);

as at the time when the installation of which it forms part was designed or (in the case of modification or alteration to the **Frequency** control device (or turbine speed governor)) when the modification or alteration was designed.

The European Specification or other standard utilised in accordance with sub-paragraph CC.6.3.7 (a) (ii) will be notified to The Company by the GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner or, in the case of an Embedded Medium Power Station not subject to a Bilateral Agreement or Embedded DC Converter Station not subject to a Bilateral Agreement, the relevant Network Operator:

- (i) as part of the application for a Bilateral Agreement; or
- (ii) as part of the application for a varied **Bilateral Agreement**; or
- (iii) in the case of an **Embedded Development**, within 28 days of entry into the **Embedded Development Agreement** (or such later time as agreed with **The Company**); or
- (iv) as soon as possible prior to any modification or alteration to the **Frequency** control device (or governor); and

- (b) The Frequency control device (or speed governor) in co-ordination with other control devices must control the Generating Unit, DC Converter or Power Park Module Active Power Output with stability over the entire operating range of the Generating Unit, DC Converter or Power Park Module; and
- (c) The **Frequency** control device (or speed governor) must meet the following minimum requirements:
  - (i) Where a **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** becomes isolated from the rest of the **Total System** but is still supplying **Customers**, the **Frequency** control device (or speed governor) must also be able to control **System Frequency** below 52Hz unless this causes the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** to operate below its **Designed Minimum Operating Level** when it is possible that it may, as detailed in BC 3.7.3, trip after a time. For the avoidance of doubt, the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** is only required to operate within the **System Frequency** range 47 52 Hz as defined in CC.6.1.3;
  - (ii) the **Frequency** control device (or speed governor) must be capable of being set so that it operates with an overall speed **Droop** of between 3% and 5%. For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of a **Power Park Module** the speed **Droop** should be equivalent of a fixed setting between 3% and 5% applied to each **Power Park Unit** in service;
  - (iii) in the case of all **Generating Units**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** other than the **Steam Unit** within a **CCGT Module** the **Frequency** control device (or speed governor) deadband should be no greater than 0.03Hz (for the avoidance of doubt, ±0.015Hz). In the case of the **Steam Unit** within a **CCGT Module**, the speed **Governor Deadband** should be set to an appropriate value consistent with the requirements of CC.6.3.7(c)(i) and the requirements of BC3.7.2 for the provision of **Limited High Frequency Response**;

For the avoidance of doubt, the minimum requirements in (ii) and (iii) for the provision of **System Ancillary Services** do not restrict the negotiation of **Commercial Ancillary Services** between **The Company** and the **GB Code User** using other parameters; and

- (d) A facility to modify, so as to fulfil the requirements of the **Balancing Codes**, the **Target Frequency** setting either continuously or in a maximum of 0.05 Hz steps over at least the range  $50 \pm 0.1$  Hz should be provided in the unit load controller or equivalent device.
- (e) (i) Each Onshore Generating Unit and/or CCGT Module which has a Completion Date after 1 January 2001 in England and Wales, and after 1 April 2005 in Scotland, must be capable of meeting the minimum Frequency response requirement profile subject to and in accordance with the provisions of Appendix 3.
  - (ii) Each DC Converter at a DC Converter Station which has a Completion Date on or after 1 April 2005 and each Offshore DC Converter at a Large Power Station must be capable of meeting the minimum Frequency response requirement profile subject to and in accordance with the provisions of Appendix 3.
  - (iii) Each Onshore Power Park Module in operation in England and Wales with a Completion Date on or after 1 January 2006 must be capable of meeting the minimum Frequency response requirement profile subject to and in accordance with the provisions of Appendix 3.
  - (iv) Each Onshore Power Park Module in operation on or after 1 January 2006 in Scotland (with a Completion Date on or after 1 April 2005 and a Registered Capacity of 50MW or more) must be capable of meeting the minimum Frequency response requirement profile subject to and in accordance with the provisions of Appendix 3.
  - (v) Each **Offshore Generating Unit** in a **Large Power Station** must be capable of meeting the minimum **Frequency** response requirement profile subject to and in accordance with the provisions of Appendix 3.
  - (vi) Each Offshore Power Park Module in a Large Power Station with a Registered Capacity of 50 MW or greater, must be capable of meeting the minimum Frequency response requirement profile subject to and in accordance with the provisions of Appendix

3.

- (vii) Subject to the requirements of CC.6.3.7(e), Offshore Generating Units at a Large Power Station, Offshore Power Park Modules at a Large Power Station and Offshore DC Converters in a Large Power Station shall comply with the requirements of CC.6.3.7. GB Generators should be aware that Section K of the STC places requirements on Offshore Transmission Licensees which utilise a Transmission DC Converter as part of their Offshore Transmission System to make appropriate provisions to enable GB Generators to fulfil their obligations.
- (viii) Each **OTSDUW DC Converter** must be capable of providing a continuous signal indicating the real time frequency measured at the **Interface Point** to the **Offshore Grid Entry Point**.
- (f) For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements of Appendix 3 do not apply to:
  - (i) **Generating Units** and/or **CCGT Modules** which have a **Completion Date** before 1 January 2001 in England and Wales, and before 1 April 2005 in Scotland, for whom the remaining requirements of this clause CC.6.3.7 shall continue to apply unchanged: or
  - (ii) **DC Converters** at a **DC Converter Station** which have a **Completion Date** before 1 April 2005; or
  - (iii) Onshore Power Park Modules in England and Wales with a Completion Date before 1 January 2006 for whom only the requirements of Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode (BC3.5.2) operation shall apply; or
  - (iv) Onshore Power Park Modules in operation in Scotland before 1 January 2006 for whom only the requirements of Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode (BC3.5.2) operation shall apply; or
  - (v) **Onshore Power Park Modules** in operation after 1 January 2006 in Scotland which have a **Completion Date** before 1 April 2005 for whom the remaining requirements of this clause CC.6.3.7 shall continue to apply unchanged; or
  - (vi) Offshore Power Park Modules which are in a Large Power Station with a Registered Capacity less than 50MW for whom only the requirements of Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode (BC3.5.2) operation shall apply; or
- (g) Restoration Contractors shall be capable of operating their Generating Units or DC Converters or Power Park Modules such that the Frequency control device (or turbine speed governor) and unit load controller or equivalent control device can be switched to Frequency control only with no load influence, during the early stages of a System Restoration whilst in island operation.
- (h) Generators and DC Converter owners shall advise The Company of the capability of operating their Generating Units or Power Park Modules or DC Converters such that the Frequency control device (or turbine speed governor) and unit load controller or equivalent control device can be switched to Frequency control only with no load influence, during the early stages of System Restoration whilst in island operation. If there is a suitable capability, The Company and the User shall agree on how it shall be used and kept available.
- (i) In addition to the requirements of CC.6.3.7 (g) and CC.6.3.7(h) the following shall apply:-
  - (i) Changes to any control schemes and settings identified from CC.6.3.7(g) and (h) shall be agreed between **The Company** and/or **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and/or **Network Operator** as recorded in the **Restoration Plan**.
  - (ii) During System Restoration, any changes to the schemes and settings defined in CC.6.3.7(g) and (h) of the different control devices of the Generating Unit or Power Park Module or Restoration Contractor's Plant or DC Converter shall be coordinated and agreed between the Relevant Transmission Licensee, the GB Generator, Restoration Contractor and DC Converter owner as part of a Restoration Plan.

**Excitation and Voltage Control Performance Requirements** 

- CC.6.3.8 (a) Excitation and voltage control performance requirements applicable to **Onshore Generating**Units, Onshore Power Park Modules, Onshore DC Converters and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus.
  - (i) A continuously-acting automatic excitation control system is required to provide constant terminal voltage control of the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** without instability over the entire operating range of the **Onshore Generating Unit**.
  - January 2009, the requirements for excitation control facilities, including Power System Stabilisers, where in The Company's view these are necessary for system reasons, will be specified in the Bilateral Agreement. If any Modification to the excitation control facilities of such Onshore Synchronous Generating Units is made on or after 1 January 2009 the requirements that shall apply may be specified in the Bilateral Agreement as varied. To the extent that the Bilateral Agreement does not specify, the requirements given or referred to in CC.A.6 shall apply. The performance requirements for a continuously acting automatic excitation control system that shall be complied with by the GB Code User in respect of such Onshore Synchronous Generating Units with a Completion Date on or after 1 January 2009 are given or referred to in CC.A.6. Reference is made to on-load commissioning witnessed by The Company in BC2.11.2.
  - (iii) In the case of an Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, Onshore Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point a continuously-acting automatic control system is required to provide control of the voltage (or zero transfer of **Reactive Power** as applicable to CC.6.3.2) at the **Onshore Grid Entry** Point or User System Entry Point or in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point without instability over the entire operating range of the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, Onshore Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus. Any Plant or Apparatus used in the provisions of such voltage control within an Onshore Power Park Module may be located at the Power Park Unit terminals, an appropriate intermediate busbar or the Connection Point. OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus used in the provision of such voltage control may be located at the Offshore Grid Entry Point, an appropriate intermediate busbar or at the Interface Point. In the case of an Onshore Power Park Module in Scotland with a Completion Date before 1 January 2009, voltage control may be at the Power Park Unit terminals, an appropriate intermediate busbar or the Connection Point as specified in the Bilateral Agreement. When operating below 20% Rated MW the automatic control system may continue to provide voltage control utilising any available reactive capability. If voltage control is not being provided, the automatic control system shall be designed to ensure a smooth transition between the shaded area bound by CD and the non-shaded area bound by AB in Figure 1 of CC.6.3.2 (c).
  - (iv) The performance requirements for a continuously acting automatic voltage control system in respect of Onshore Power Park Modules, Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units and Onshore DC Converters with a Completion Date before 1 January 2009 will be specified in the Bilateral Agreement. If any Modification to the continuously acting automatic voltage control system of such Onshore Power Park Modules, Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units and Onshore DC Converters is made on or after 1 January 2009 the requirements that shall apply may be specified in the Bilateral Agreement as varied. To the extent that the Bilateral Agreement does not specify, the requirements given or referred to in CC.A.7 shall apply. The performance requirements for a continuously acting automatic voltage control system that shall be complied with by the GB Code User in respect of Onshore Power Park Modules, Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units and Onshore DC Converters or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point with a Completion Date on or after 1 January 2009 are given or referred to in CC.A.7.
  - (v) Unless otherwise required for testing in accordance with OC5.A.2, the automatic excitation control system of an **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** shall always be operated such that it controls the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** terminal voltage to a value that is

- equal to its rated value; or
- only where provisions have been made in the **Bilateral Agreement**, greater than its rated value.
- (vi) In particular, other control facilities, including constant Reactive Power output control modes and constant Power Factor control modes (but excluding VAr limiters) are not required. However, if present in the excitation or voltage control system they will be disabled unless the Bilateral Agreement records otherwise. Operation of such control facilities will be in accordance with the provisions contained in BC2.
- (b) Excitation and voltage control performance requirements applicable to Offshore Generating Units at a Large Power Station, Offshore Power Park Modules at a Large Power Station and Offshore DC Converters at a Large Power Station.

A continuously acting automatic control system is required to provide either:

- (i) control of Reactive Power (as specified in CC.6.3.2(e) (i) (ii)) at the Offshore Grid Entry Point without instability over the entire operating range of the Offshore Generating Unit, Offshore DC Converter or Offshore Power Park Module. The performance requirements for this automatic control system will be specified in the Bilateral Agreement or;
- (ii) where an alternative reactive capability has been specified in the Bilateral Agreement, in accordance with CC.6.3.2 (e) (iii), the Offshore Generating Unit, Offshore Power Park Module or Offshore DC Converter will be required to control voltage and / or Reactive Power without instability over the entire operating range of the Offshore Generating Unit, Offshore Power Park Module or Offshore DC Converter. The performance requirements of the control system will be specified in the Bilateral Agreement.

In addition to CC.6.3.8(b) (i) and (ii) the requirements for excitation control facilities, including **Power System Stabilisers**, where in **The Company's** view these are necessary for system reasons, will be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**. Reference is made to on-load commissioning witnessed by **The Company** in BC2.11.2.

#### Steady state Load Inaccuracies

CC.6.3.9 The standard deviation of **Load** error at steady state **Load** over a 30 minute period must not exceed 2.5 per cent of a **Genset's Registered Capacity**. Where a **Genset** is instructed to **Frequency** sensitive operation, allowance will be made in determining whether there has been an error according to the governor droop characteristic registered under the **PC**.

For the avoidance of doubt in the case of a **Power Park Module** allowance will be made for the full variation of mechanical power output.

# Negative Phase Sequence Loadings

CC.6.3.10 In addition to meeting the conditions specified in CC.6.1.5(b), each **Synchronous Generating Unit** will be required to withstand, without tripping, the negative phase sequence loading incurred by clearance of a close-up phase-to-phase fault, by **System Back-Up Protection** on the **National Electricity Transmission System** or **User System** located **Onshore** in which it is **Embedded**.

#### **Neutral Earthing**

At nominal **System** voltages of 132kV and above the higher voltage windings of a transformer of a **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter**, **Power Park Module** or transformer resulting from **OTSDUW** must be star connected with the star point suitable for connection to earth. The earthing and lower voltage winding arrangement shall be such as to ensure that the **Earth Fault Factor** requirement of paragraph CC.6.2.1.1 (b) will be met on the **National Electricity Transmission System** at nominal **System** voltages of 132kV and above.

#### Frequency Sensitive Relays

- As stated in CC.6.1.3, the **System Frequency** could rise to 52Hz or fall to 47Hz. Each **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter**, **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, **Power Park Module** or any constituent element must continue to operate within this **Frequency** range for at least the periods of time given in CC.6.1.3 unless **The Company** has agreed to any **Frequency**-level relays and/or rate-of-change-of-**Frequency** relays which will trip such **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter**, **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, **Power Park Module** and any constituent element within this **Frequency** range, under the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- CC.6.3.13 GB Generators (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) and DC Converter Station owners will be responsible for protecting all their Generating Units (and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus), DC Converters or Power Park Modules against damage should Frequency excursions outside the range 52Hz to 47Hz ever occur. Should such excursions occur, it is up to the GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner to decide whether to disconnect their Apparatus for reasons of safety of Apparatus, Plant and/or personnel.
- CC.6.3.14 It may be agreed in the **Bilateral Agreement** that a **Genset** shall have a **Fast-Start Capability**. Such **Gensets** may be used for **Operating Reserve** and their **Start-Up** may be initiated by **Frequency**-level relays with settings in the range 49Hz to 50Hz as specified pursuant to **OC2**.

#### CC.6.3.15 Fault Ride Through

This section sets out the fault ride through requirements on Generating Units, Power Park Modules, DC Converters and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus. Onshore Generating Units, Onshore Power Park Modules, Onshore DC Converters (including Embedded Medium Power Stations and Embedded DC Converter Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and with an Onshore User System Entry Point (irrespective of whether they are located Onshore or Offshore)) and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus are required to operate through System faults and disturbances as defined in CC.6.3.15.1 (a), CC.6.3.15.1 (b) and CC.6.3.15.3. Offshore GB Generators in respect of Offshore Generating Units at a Large Power Station, Offshore Power Park Modules at a Large Power Station and DC Converter Station owners in respect of Offshore DC Converters at a Large Power Station shall have the option of meeting either:

- (i) CC.6.3.15.1 (a), CC.6.3.15.1 (b) and CC.6.3.15.3, or:
- (ii) CC.6.3.15.2 (a), CC.6.3.15.2 (b) and CC.6.3.15.3

Offshore GB Generators and Offshore DC Converter owners, should notify The Company which option they wish to select within 28 days (or such longer period as The Company may agree, in any event this being no later than 3 months before the Completion Date of the offer for a final CUSC Contract which would be made following the appointment of the Offshore Transmission Licensee).

For up to 30 minutes following such a fault or disturbance **Generating Units**, **Power Park Modules**, **DC Converters** and **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** are required to remain connected and stable provided **System** operating conditions have returned within those specified in CC.6.1.

- CC.6.3.15.1 Fault Ride through applicable to **Generating Units**, **Power Park Modules** and **DC Converters** and **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** 
  - (a) Short circuit faults on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which may include an **Interface Point**) at **Supergrid Voltage** up to 140ms in duration.
    - (i) Each Generating Unit, DC Converter, or Power Park Module and any constituent Power Park Unit thereof and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall remain transiently stable and connected to the System without tripping of any Generating Unit, DC Converter or Power Park Module and / or any constituent Power Park Unit, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, and for Plant and Apparatus installed on or after 1 December 2017, reactive compensation equipment, for a close-up solid three-phase short circuit fault or any unbalanced short circuit fault on the Onshore Transmission System (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, the Interface Point) operating at Supergrid Voltages for a total fault clearance time of up to 140 ms. A solid three-phase or unbalanced earthed fault results in zero voltage on the faulted phase(s) at the point of fault. The duration of zero voltage is dependent on local Protection and circuit breaker operating times. This duration and the fault clearance times will be specified in the Bilateral Agreement. Following fault

clearance, recovery of the **Supergrid Voltage** on the **Onshore Transmission System** to 90% may take longer than 140ms as illustrated in Appendix 4A Figures CC.A.4A.1 (a) and (b). It should be noted that in the case of an **Offshore Generating Unit**, **Offshore DC Converter** or **Offshore Power Park Module** (including any **Offshore Power Park Unit** thereof) which is connected to an **Offshore Transmission System** which includes a **Transmission DC Converter** as part of that **Offshore Transmission System**, the **Offshore Grid Entry Point** voltage may not indicate the presence of a fault on the **Onshore Transmission System**. The fault will affect the level of **Active Power** that can be transferred to the **Onshore Transmission System** and therefore subject the **Offshore Generating Unit**, **Offshore DC Converter** or **Offshore Power Park Module** (including any **Offshore Power Park Unit** thereof) to a load rejection.

- (ii) Each Generating Unit, Power Park Module and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, shall be designed such that upon both clearance of the fault on the Onshore Transmission System as detailed in CC.6.3.15.1 (a) (i) and within 0.5 seconds of the restoration of the voltage at the Onshore Grid Entry Point (for Onshore Generating Units or Onshore Power Park Modules) or Interface Point (for Offshore Generating Units, Offshore Power Park Modules or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) to the minimum levels specified in CC.6.1.4 (or within 0.5 seconds of restoration of the voltage at the User System Entry Point to 90% of nominal or greater if Embedded), Active Power output or in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, Active Power transfer capability, shall be restored to at least 90% of the level available immediately before the fault. Once the Active Power output, or in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, Active Power transfer capability, has been restored to the required level, Active Power oscillations shall be acceptable provided that:
  - the total **Active Energy** delivered during the period of the oscillations is at least that which would have been delivered if the **Active Power** was constant
  - the oscillations are adequately damped

During the period of the fault as detailed in CC.6.3.15.1 (a) (i) for which the voltage at the Grid Entry Point (or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) is outside the limits specified in CC.6.1.4, each Generating Unit or Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall generate maximum reactive current without exceeding the transient rating limit of the Generating Unit, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Module and / or any constituent Power Park Unit or reactive compensation equipment. For Plant and Apparatus installed on or after 1 December 2017, switched reactive compensation equipment (such as mechanically switched capacitors and reactors) shall be controlled such that it is not switched in or out of service during the fault but may act to assist in post fault voltage recovery.

- (iii) Each **DC** Converter shall be designed to meet the **Active Power** recovery characteristics (and **OTSDUW DC** Converter shall be designed to meet the **Active Power** transfer capability at the **Interface Point**) as specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** upon clearance of the fault on the **Onshore Transmission System** as detailed in CC.6.3.15.1 (a) (i).
- (b) **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** greater than 140ms in duration
- (1b) Requirements applicable to **Synchronous Generating Units** subject to **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** greater than 140ms in duration.

In addition to the requirements of CC.6.3.15.1 (a) each **Synchronous Generating Unit**, each with a **Completion Date** on or after **1 April 2005** shall:

(i) remain transiently stable and connected to the **System** without tripping of any **Synchronous Generating Unit** for balanced **Supergrid Voltage** dips and associated durations on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which could be at the **Interface Point**) anywhere on or above the heavy black line shown in Figure 5a. Appendix 4A and Figures CC.A.4A.3.2 (a), (b) and (c) provide an explanation and illustrations of Figure 5a; and,

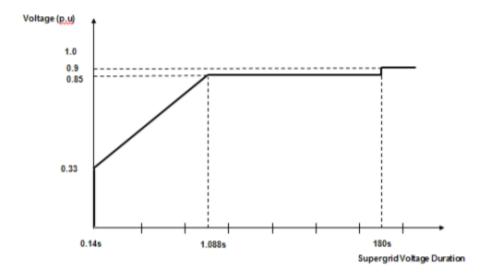


Figure 5a

- (ii) provide Active Power output at the Grid Entry Point, during Supergrid Voltage dips on the Onshore Transmission System as described in Figure 5a, at least in proportion to the retained balanced voltage at the Onshore Grid Entry Point (for Onshore Synchronous Generating Units) or Interface Point (for Offshore Synchronous Generating Units) (or the retained balanced voltage at the User System Entry Point if Embedded) and shall generate maximum reactive current (where the voltage at the Grid Entry Point is outside the limits specified in CC.6.1.4) without exceeding the transient rating limits of the Synchronous Generating Unit and,
- (iii) restore **Active Power** output following **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** as described in Figure 5a, within 1 second of restoration of the voltage to 1.0p.u of the nominal voltage at the:
  - Onshore Grid Entry Point for directly connected Onshore Synchronous Generating Units or,
  - Interface Point for Offshore Synchronous Generating Units or,
  - **User System Entry Point for Embedded Onshore Synchronous Generating Units** or.

User System Entry Point for Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement which comprise Synchronous Generating Units and with an Onshore User System Entry Point (irrespective of whether they are located Onshore or Offshore)

to at least 90% of the level available immediately before the occurrence of the dip. Once the **Active Power** output has been restored to the required level, **Active Power** oscillations shall be acceptable provided that:

- the total **Active Energy** delivered during the period of the oscillations is at least that which would have been delivered if the **Active Power** was constant
- the oscillations are adequately damped.

For the avoidance of doubt a balanced **Onshore Transmission System Supergrid Voltage** meets the requirements of CC.6.1.5 (b) and CC.6.1.6.

(2b) Requirements applicable to **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** and **Power Park Modules** subject to **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** greater than 140ms in duration

In addition to the requirements of CC.6.3.15.1 (a) each **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** or each **Power Park Module** and / or any constituent **Power Park Unit**, each with a **Completion Date** on or after the 1 April 2005 shall:

(i) remain transiently stable and connected to the **System** without tripping of any **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, or **Power Park Module** and / or any constituent **Power Park Unit**, for balanced **Supergrid Voltage** dips and associated durations on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which could be at the **Interface Point**) anywhere on or above the heavy black line shown in Figure 5b. Appendix 4A and Figures CC.A.4A.3.4 (a), (b) and (c) provide an explanation and illustrations of Figure 5b; and,

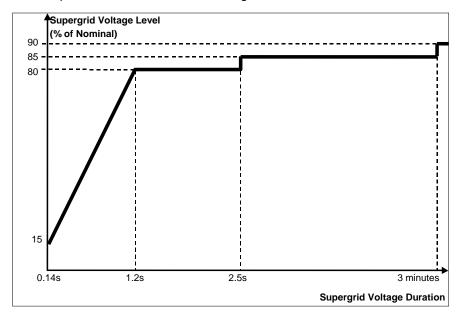


Figure 5b

- (ii) provide Active Power output at the Grid Entry Point or in the case of an OTSDUW, Active Power transfer capability at the Transmission Interface Point, during Supergrid Voltage dips on the Onshore Transmission System as described in Figure 5b, at least in proportion to the retained balanced voltage at the Onshore Grid Entry Point (for Onshore Power Park Modules) or Interface Point (for OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and Offshore Power Park Modules) (or the retained balanced voltage at the User System Entry Point if Embedded) except in the case of a Non-Synchronous Generating Unit or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Module where there has been a reduction in the Intermittent Power Source or in the case of OTSDUW Active Power transfer capability in the time range in Figure 5b that restricts the Active Power output or in the case of an OTSDUW Active Power transfer capability below this level and shall generate maximum reactive current (where the voltage at the Grid Entry Point, or in the case of an OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, the Interface Point voltage, is outside the limits specified in CC.6.1.4) without exceeding the transient rating limits of the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Module and any constituent Power Park Unit; and,
- (iii) restore **Active Power** output (or, in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Active Power** transfer capability), following **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** as described in Figure 5b, within 1 second of restoration of the voltage at the:

 $\textbf{Onshore Grid Entry Point} \ \text{for directly connected Onshore Power Park Modules} \ \text{or},$ 

Interface Point for OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and Offshore Power Park Modules or,

User System Entry Point for Embedded Onshore Power Park Modules or,

User System Entry Point for Embedded Medium Power Stations which comprise Power Park Modules not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and with an Onshore

**User System Entry Point** (irrespective of whether they are located **Onshore** or **Offshore**)

to the minimum levels specified in CC.6.1.4 to at least 90% of the level available immediately before the occurrence of the dip except in the case of a **Non-Synchronous Generating Unit**, **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** or **Power Park Module** where there has been a reduction in the **Intermittent Power Source** in the time range in Figure 5b that restricts the **Active Power** output or, in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Active Power** transfer capability below this level. Once the **Active Power** output or, in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Active Power** transfer capability has been restored to the required level, **Active Power** oscillations shall be acceptable provided that:

- the total **Active Energy** delivered during the period of the oscillations is at least that which would have been delivered if the **Active Power** was constant
- the oscillations are adequately damped.

For the avoidance of doubt a balanced **Onshore Transmission System Supergrid Voltage** meets the requirements of CC.6.1.5 (b) and CC.6.1.6.

- CC.6.3.15.2 Fault Ride Through applicable to **Offshore Generating Units** at a **Large Power Station**, **Offshore Power Park Modules** at a **Large Power Station** and **Offshore DC Converters** at a **Large Power Station** who choose to meet the fault ride through requirements at the **LV side of the Offshore Platform** 
  - (a) Requirements on Offshore Generating Units, Offshore Power Park Modules and Offshore DC Converters to withstand voltage dips on the LV Side of the Offshore Platform for up to 140ms in duration as a result of faults and / or voltage dips on the Onshore Transmission System operating at Supergrid Voltage.
    - Each Offshore Generating Unit, Offshore DC Converter, or Offshore Power Park Module and any constituent Power Park Unit thereof shall remain transiently stable and connected to the System without tripping of any Offshore Generating Unit, or Offshore DC Converter or Offshore Power Park Module and / or any constituent Power Park Unit or, in the case of Plant and Apparatus installed on or after 1 December 2017, reactive compensation equipment, for any balanced or unbalanced voltage dips on the LV Side of the Offshore Platform whose profile is anywhere on or above the heavy black line shown in Figure 6. For the avoidance of doubt, the profile beyond 140ms in Figure 6 shows the minimum recovery in voltage that will be seen by the Generator's Plant and Apparatus following clearance of the fault at 140ms. Appendix 4B and Figures CC.A.4B.2 (a) and (b) provide further illustration of the voltage recovery profile that may be seen. It should be noted that in the case of an Offshore Generating Unit, Offshore DC Converter or Offshore Power Park Module (including any Offshore Power Park Unit thereof) which is connected to an Offshore Transmission System which includes a Transmission DC Converter as part of that Offshore Transmission System, the Offshore Grid Entry Point voltage may not indicate the presence of a fault on the Onshore Transmission System. The voltage dip will affect the level of **Active Power** that can be transferred to the **Onshore** Transmission System and therefore subject the Offshore Generating Unit, Offshore DC Converter or Offshore Power Park Module (including any Offshore Power Park Unit thereof) to a load rejection.

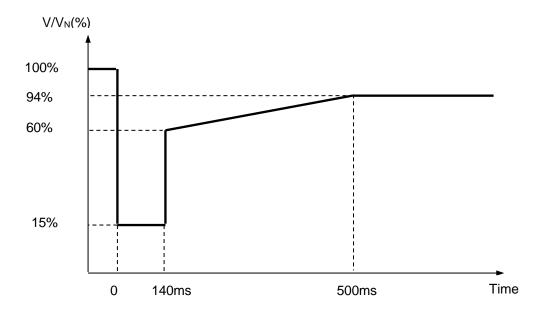


Figure 6

 $V/V_N$  is the ratio of the actual voltage on one or more phases at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform to the nominal voltage of the LV Side of the Offshore Platform.

- (ii) Each Offshore Generating Unit, or Offshore Power Park Module and any constituent Power Park Unit thereof shall provide Active Power output, during voltage dips on the LV Side of the Offshore Platform as described in Figure 6, at least in proportion to the retained voltage at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform except in the case of an Offshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit or Offshore Power Park Module where there has been a reduction in the Intermittent Power Source in the time range in Figure 6 that restricts the Active Power output below this level and shall generate maximum reactive current without exceeding the transient rating limits of the Offshore Generating Unit or Offshore Power Park Module and any constituent Power Park Unit or, in the case of Plant and Apparatus installed on or after 1 December 2017, reactive compensation equipment. Once the Active Power output has been restored to the required level, Active Power oscillations shall be acceptable provided that:
  - the total **Active Energy** delivered during the period of the oscillations is at least that which would have been delivered if the **Active Power** was constant
  - the oscillations are adequately damped

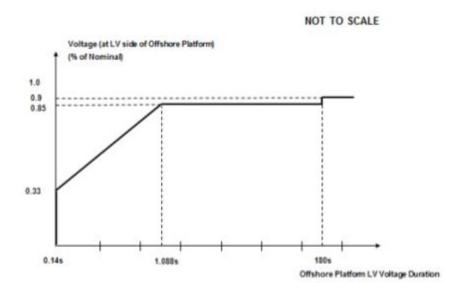
and;

- (iii) Each Offshore DC Converter shall be designed to meet the Active Power recovery characteristics as specified in the Bilateral Agreement upon restoration of the voltage at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform.
- (b) Requirements of **Offshore Generating Units**, **Offshore Power Park Modules**, to withstand voltage dips on the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform** greater than 140ms in duration.
- (1b) Requirements applicable to **Offshore Synchronous Generating Units** to withstand voltage dips on the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform** greater than 140ms in duration.

In addition to the requirements of CC.6.3.15.2. (a) each **Offshore Synchronous Generating Unit** shall:

(i) remain transiently stable and connected to the **System** without tripping of any **Offshore Synchronous Generating Unit** for any balanced voltage dips on the **LV side of the Offshore Platform** and associated durations anywhere on or above the heavy black line

shown in Figure 7a. Appendix 4B and Figures CC.A.4B.3.2 (a), (b) and (c) provide an explanation and illustrations of Figure 7a. It should be noted that in the case of an Offshore Synchronous Generating Unit which is connected to an Offshore Transmission System which includes a Transmission DC Converter as part of that Offshore Transmission System, the Offshore Grid Entry Point voltage may not indicate the presence of a voltage dip on the Onshore Transmission System. The voltage dip will affect the level of Active Power that can be transferred to the Onshore Transmission System and therefore subject the Offshore Generating Unit, to a load rejection.



- (ii) provide Active Power output, during voltage dips on the LV Side of the Offshore Platform as described in Figure 7a, at least in proportion to the retained balanced or unbalanced voltage at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform and shall generate maximum reactive current (where the voltage at the Offshore Grid Entry Point is outside the limits specified in CC.6.1.4) without exceeding the transient rating limits of the Offshore Synchronous Generating Unit and,
- (iii) within 1 second of restoration of the voltage to 1.0p.u of the nominal voltage at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform, restore Active Power to at least 90% of the Offshore Synchronous Generating Unit's immediate pre-disturbed value, unless there has been a reduction in the Intermittent Power Source in the time range in Figure 7a that restricts the Active Power output below this level. Once the Active Power output has been restored to the required level, Active Power oscillations shall be acceptable provided that:
  - the total **Active Energy** delivered during the period of the oscillations is at least that which would have been delivered if the **Active Power** was constant
  - the oscillations are adequately damped
- (2b) Requirements applicable to **Offshore Power Park Modules** to withstand voltage dips on the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform** greater than 140ms in duration.

In addition to the requirements of CC.6.3.15.2. (a) each **Offshore Power Park Module** and / or any constituent **Power Park Unit**, shall:

(i) remain transiently stable and connected to the **System** without tripping of any **Offshore Power Park Module** and / or any constituent **Power Park Unit**, for any balanced voltage

dips on the LV side of the Offshore Platform and associated durations anywhere on or above the heavy black line shown in Figure 7b. Appendix 4B and Figures CC.A.4B.5. (a), (b) and (c) provide an explanation and illustrations of Figure 7b. It should be noted that in the case of an Offshore Power Park Module (including any Offshore Power Park Unit thereof) which is connected to an Offshore Transmission System which includes a Transmission DC Converter as part of that Offshore Transmission System, the Offshore Grid Entry Point voltage may not indicate the presence of a voltage dip on the Onshore Transmission System. The voltage dip will affect the level of Active Power that can be transferred to the Onshore Transmission System and therefore subject the Offshore Power Park Module (including any Offshore Power Park Unit thereof) to a load rejection.

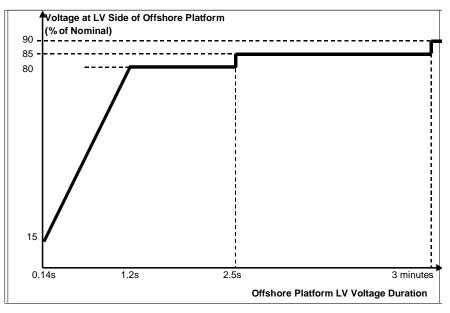


Figure 7b

- (ii) provide Active Power output, during voltage dips\_on the LV Side of the Offshore Platform as described in Figure 7b, at least in proportion to the retained balanced or unbalanced voltage at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform except in the case of an Offshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit or Offshore Power Park Module where there has been a reduction in the Intermittent Power Source in the time range in Figure 7b that restricts the Active Power output below this level and shall generate maximum reactive current (where the voltage at the Offshore Grid Entry Point is outside the limits specified in CC.6.1.4) without exceeding the transient rating limits of the Offshore Power Park Module and any constituent Power Park Unit or reactive compensation equipment. For Plant and Apparatus installed on or after 1 December 2017, switched reactive compensation equipment (such as mechanically switched capacitors and reactors) shall be controlled such that it is not switched in or out of service during the fault but may act to assist in post fault voltage recovery; and,
- (iii) within 1 second of the restoration of the voltage at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform (to the minimum levels specified in CC.6.1.4) restore Active Power to at least 90% of the Offshore Power Park Module's immediate pre-disturbed value, unless there has been a reduction in the Intermittent Power Source in the time range in Figure 7b that restricts the Active Power output below this level. Once the Active Power output has been restored to the required level, Active Power oscillations shall be acceptable provided that:
  - the total **Active Energy** delivered during the period of the oscillations is at least that which would have been delivered if the **Active Power** was constant
  - the oscillations are adequately damped

## CC.6.3.15.3 Other Requirements

- In the case of a Power Park Module (comprising of wind-turbine generator units), the requirements in CC.6.3.15.1 and CC.6.3.15.2 do not apply when the **Power Park Module** is operating at less than 5% of its Rated MW or during very high wind speed conditions when more than 50% of the wind turbine generator units in a Power Park Module have been shut down or disconnected under an emergency shutdown sequence to protect GB Code User's Plant and Apparatus.
- (ii) In addition to meeting the conditions specified in CC.6.1.5(b) and CC.6.1.6, each Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Module with a Completion Date after 1 April 2005 and any constituent Power Park Unit thereof will be required to withstand, without tripping, the negative phase sequence loading incurred by clearance of a close-up phase-to-phase fault, by System Back-Up Protection on the Onshore Transmission System operating at Supergrid Voltage.
- (iii) In the case of an Onshore Power Park Module in Scotland with a Completion Date before 1 January 2004 and a Registered Capacity less than 30MW, the requirements in CC.6.3.15.1 (a) do not apply. In the case of an **Onshore Power Park Module** in Scotland with a **Completion** Date on or after 1 January 2004 and before 1 July 2005 and a Registered Capacity less than 30MW the requirements in CC.6.3.15.1 (a) are relaxed from the minimum Onshore Transmission System Supergrid Voltage of zero to a minimum Onshore Transmission System Supergrid Voltage of 15% of nominal. In the case of an Onshore Power Park Module in Scotland with a Completion Date before 1 January 2004 and a Registered Capacity of 30MW and above the requirements in CC.6.3.15.1 (a) are relaxed from the minimum Onshore Transmission System Supergrid Voltage of zero to a minimum Onshore Transmission System Supergrid Voltage of 15% of nominal.
- (iv) To avoid unwanted island operation, Non-Synchronous Generating Units in Scotland (and those directly connected to a Scottish Offshore Transmission System), Power Park Modules in Scotland (and those directly connected to a Scottish Offshore Transmission System), or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus with an Interface Point in Scotland shall be tripped for the following conditions:
  - (1) **Frequency** above 52Hz for more than 2 seconds
  - (2) **Frequency** below 47Hz for more than 2 seconds
  - (3) Voltage as measured at the Onshore Connection Point or Onshore User System Entry Point or Offshore Grid Entry Point or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and **Apparatus** is below 80% for more than 2.5 seconds
  - (4) Voltage as measured at the Onshore Connection Point or Onshore User System Entry Point or Offshore Grid Entry Point or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus is above 120% (115% for 275kV) for more than 1 second.

The times in sections (1) and (2) are maximum trip times. Shorter times may be used to protect the Non-Synchronous Generating Units, or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Modules.

## Additional Damping Control Facilities for DC Converters

- CC.6.3.16
  - (a) DC Converter owners, or GB Generators in respect of OTSDUW DC Converters or Network Operators in the case of an Embedded DC Converter Station not subject to a Bilateral Agreement must ensure that any of their Onshore DC Converters or OTSDUW DC Converters will not cause a sub-synchronous resonance problem on the Total System. Each DC Converter or OTSDUW DC Converter is required to be provided with sub-synchronous resonance damping control facilities.
  - (b) Where specified in the Bilateral Agreement, each DC Converter or OTSDUW DC Converter is required to be provided with power oscillation damping or any other identified additional control facilities.

System to Generator Operational Intertripping Scheme

- CC.6.3.17 The Company may require that a System to Generator Operational Intertripping Scheme be installed as part of a condition of the connection of the GB Generator. Scheme specific details shall be included in the relevant Bilateral Agreement and shall, in respect of Bilateral Agreements entered into on or after 16<sup>th</sup> March 2009 include the following information:
  - the relevant category(ies) of the scheme (referred to as Category 1 Intertripping Scheme, Category 2 Intertripping Scheme, Category 3 Intertripping Scheme and Category 4 Intertripping Scheme);
  - (2) the **Generating Unit(s)** or **CCGT Module(s)** or **Power Park Module(s)** to be either permanently armed or that can be instructed to be armed in accordance with BC2.8;
  - (3) the time within which the **Generating Unit(s)** or **CCGT Module(s)** or **Power Park Module(s)** circuit breaker(s) are to be automatically tripped;
  - (4) the location to which the trip signal will be provided by **The Company**. Such location will be provided by **The Company** prior to the commissioning of the **Generating Unit(s)** or **CCGT Module(s)** or **Power Park Module(s)**.

Where applicable, the **Bilateral Agreement** shall include the conditions on the **National Electricity Transmission System** during which **The Company** may instruct the **System to Generator Operational Intertripping Scheme** to be armed and the conditions that would initiate a trip signal.

- The time within which the Generating Unit(s) or CCGT Module or Power Park Module circuit breaker(s) need to be automatically tripped is determined by the specific conditions local to the GB Generator. This 'time to trip' (defined as time from provision of the trip signal by The Company to the specified location, to circuit breaker main contact opening) can typically range from 100ms to 10sec. A longer time to trip may allow the initiation of an automatic reduction in the Generating Unit(s) or CCGT Module(s) or Power Park Module(s) output prior to the automatic tripping of the Generating Unit(s) or CCGT Module(s) or Power Park Module(s) circuit breaker. Where applicable The Company may provide separate trip signals to allow for either a longer or shorter 'time to trip' to be initiated.
- CC.6.4 General Network Operator And Non-Embedded Customer Requirements
- CC.6.4.1 This part of the **Grid Code** describes the technical and design criteria and performance requirements for **Network Operators** and **Non-Embedded Customers**.

## **Neutral Earthing**

At nominal **System** voltages of 132kV and above the higher voltage windings of three phase transformers and transformer banks connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** must be star connected with the star point suitable for connection to earth. The earthing and lower voltage winding arrangement shall be such as to ensure that the **Earth Fault Factor** requirement of paragraph CC.6.2.1.1 (b) will be met on the **National Electricity Transmission System** at nominal **System** voltages of 132kV and above.

### Frequency Sensitive Relays

As explained under OC6, each **Network Operator**, will make arrangements that will facilitate automatic low **Frequency Disconnection** of **Demand** (based on **Annual ACS Conditions**). CC.A.5.5. of Appendix 5 includes specifications of the local percentage **Demand** that shall be disconnected at specific frequencies. The manner in which **Demand** subject to low **Frequency** disconnection will be split into discrete MW blocks is specified in OC6.6. Technical requirements relating to **Low Frequency Relays** are also listed in Appendix 5.

## Operational Metering

Where The Company can reasonably demonstrate that an Embedded Medium Power Station or Embedded DC Converter Station has a significant effect on the National Electricity Transmission System, it may require the Network Operator within whose System the Embedded Medium Power Station or Embedded DC Converter Station is situated to ensure that the operational metering equipment described in CC.6.5.6 is installed such that The Company can receive the data referred to in CC.6.5.6. In the case of an Embedded Medium Power Station subject to, or proposed to be subject to a Bilateral Agreement, The Company shall notify such Network Operator of the details of such installation in writing within 3 months of being notified of the application to connect under CUSC and in the case of an Embedded Medium Power Station not subject to, or not proposed to be subject to a Bilateral Agreement in writing as a Site Specific Requirement in accordance with the timescales in CUSC 6.5.5. In either case the Network Operator shall ensure that the data referred to in CC.6.5.6 is provided to The Company.

## CC.6.4.5 System Restoration

- CC.6.4.5.1 Distribution Restoration Zone Plans are dependent upon Restoration Contractors who have an Anchor Restoration Contract which requires the capability to Start-Up from Shutdown within 8 hours and to energise a part of a Network Operator's System (and in some cases could extend to energisation of parts of the Transmission System) upon instruction from a relevant Network Operator without an external electrical power supply. Distribution Restoration Zone Plans may also be dependent upon Top Up Restoration Contractors. Network Operators shall be responsible for instructing Restoration Contractors in accordance with a Distribution Restoration Zone Plan once The Company has issued an instruction to the Network Operator to activate a Distribution Restoration Zone as provided for in OC9.4.7.8.1.
- CC.6.4.5.2. Where a need for a **Distribution Restoration Zone** is agreed in accordance with OC9, the following requirements shall apply:-
  - (a) Where there is a requirement for two adjacent Distribution Restoration Zones to be Synchronised as part of the wider System Restoration process, and as catered for in the relevant Distribution Restoration Zone Plans, appropriate Synchronising facilities shall exist, or shall be installed by the Network Operator or Relevant Transmission Licensee as set out in OC9.4.7.6.3(d). Such Synchronising facilities shall be identified as part of the development of the Restoration Plan as set out in OC9.4.7.6.1. Where a Distribution Restoration Zone extends to Transmission Plant and Apparatus as provided for in OC9.4.7.8.15, the responsibility for the provision of these facilities on Transmission equipment is the responsibility of the Relevant Transmission Licensee.
  - (b) The Company and the Network Operator and Relevant Transmission Licensee (where necessary) shall agree the monitoring and operational metering which shall be installed in the Network Operator's System, including but not limited to, operational metering signals, status indications, and the topology of the Network Operator's System falling within the scope of the Local Joint Restoration Plan or Distribution Restoration Zone Plan, and the output and status of Restoration Contractor's Plant and Apparatus. Where appropriate, some of this information may be supplied as outputs from the Distribution Restoration Zone Control System within the Distribution Restoration Zone where one is installed. This data shall be provided to The Company and Relevant Transmission Licensee (where necessary) through appropriate data links as agreed between The Company and the Network Operator.
  - (c) Network Operators shall have secure, robust and power resilient communications systems between their Control Centres and the point at which Restoration Contractor's Plant and Apparatus is connected to the Network Operator's System as provided for in CC.7.10 and CC.7.11.

## CC.6.5 <u>Communications Plant</u>

- CC.6.5.1 In order to ensure control of the **National Electricity Transmission System**, telecommunications between **GB Code Users** and **The Company** must (including in respect of any **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** at the **OTSUA Transfer Time**), if required by **The Company**, be established in accordance with the requirements set down below.
- CC.6.5.2 Control Telephony and System Telephony

- CC.6.5.2.1 **Control Telephony** provides secure point to point telephony for routine **Control Calls**, priority **Control Calls** and emergency **Control Calls**.
- CC.6.5.2.2 **System Telephony** uses an appropriate public communications network to provide telephony for **Control Calls**, inclusive of emergency **Control Calls**. For the avoidance of doubt, **System Telephony** could include, but shall not be limited to: an analogue or digital telephone line; a mobile telephone or an internet-based voice communication system, all of which shall be connected to an appropriate public communications network.
- CC.6.5.2.3 Calls made and received over **Control Telephony** and **System Telephony** may be recorded and subsequently replayed for commercial and operational reasons.
- CC.6.5.4 Obligations in respect of Control Telephony and System Telephony
- Where The Company requires Control Telephony, Users are required to use the Control Telephony to communicate with The Company and / or the Transmission Licensees' in respect of all Connection Points with the National Electricity Transmission System, all Embedded Large Power Stations, all Embedded DC Converter Stations and Network Operators Control Centres as appropriate. The Company shall provide Control Telephony interface equipment at the GB Code User's Control Point or the Network Operators Control Centre as appropriate. Where the GB Code User's or Network Operators Control Centre telephony equipment is not capable of providing the required facilities or is otherwise incompatible with the Transmission Control Telephony, The Company shall provide a Control Telephony handset(s). Details of the Control Telephony required are contained in the Bilateral Agreement with GB Code User's.
- CC.6.5.4.2 Where in **The Company's** sole opinion the installation of **Control Telephony** is not practicable at a **GB Code User's Control Point(s)**, **The Company** shall specify in the **Bilateral Agreement** whether **System Telephony** is required. Where **System Telephony** is required by **The Company**, the **GB Code User** shall ensure that **System Telephony** is installed.
- CC.6.5.4.3 Where **System Telephony** is installed, **GB Code Users** are required to use the **System Telephony** for communication with **The Company** and the relevant **Transmission Licensees' Control Engineers** in respect of those **Control Point(s)** for which it has been installed. Details of and relating to the **System Telephony** required are contained in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- CC.6.5.4.4 Where **Control Telephony** or **System Telephony** is installed, routine testing of such facilities may be required by **The Company** (not normally more than once in any calendar month). The **GB Code User** and **The Company** shall use reasonable endeavours to agree a test programme and where **The Company** requests the assistance of the **GB Code User** in performing the agreed test programme the **User** shall provide such assistance. **The Company** requires the **GB Code User** to test the backup power supplies feeding its **Control Telephony** facilities at least once every 5 years.
- CC.6.5.4.5 **Control Telephony** and **System Telephony** shall only be used for the purposes of operational voice communication between **The Company** and the relevant **User**.
- CC.6.5.4.6 **Control Telephony** contains emergency calling functionality to be used for operational communication only under normal and emergency conditions. Functionality enables **The Company** and **Users** to prioritise a call in the event of an emergency. **The Company** and **GB Code Users** shall only use such priority call functionality for urgent operational communications.
- CC.6.5.5 <u>Technical Requirements for Control Telephony and System Telephony</u>
- CC.6.5.5.1 Detailed information on the technical interfaces and support requirements for **Control Telephony** is provided in the **Control Telephony Electrical Standard** identified in the Annex to the **General Conditions**. Where additional information, or information in relation to **Control Telephony** applicable in Scotland, is requested by **GB Code Users**, this will be provided, where possible, by **The Company**.

CC.6.5.5.2 System Telephony shall consist of a dedicated telephone connected to an appropriate public communications network, that shall be configured by the relevant GB Code User. The Company shall provide a dedicated free phone number (UK only), for the purposes of receiving incoming calls to The Company, which GB Code Users shall utilise for System Telephony. System Telephony shall only be utilised by The Company Control Engineer the relevant Transmission Licensees' Control Engineers and the GB Code User's Responsible Engineer/Operator for the purposes of operational communications.

#### **Operational Metering**

- CC.6.5.6
- (a) The Company or The Relevant Transmission Licensee, as applicable, shall provide system control and data acquisition (SCADA) outstation interface equipment. The GB Code User shall provide such voltage, current, Frequency, Active Power and Reactive Power measurement outputs and plant status indications and alarms to the Transmission SCADA outstation interface equipment as required by The Company in accordance with the terms of the Bilateral Agreement. In the case of OTSDUW, the GB Code User shall provide such SCADA outstation interface equipment and voltage, current, Frequency, Active Power and Reactive Power measurement outputs and plant status indications and alarms to the SCADA outstation interface equipment as required by The Company in accordance with the terms of the Bilateral Agreement.
- (b) For the avoidance of doubt, for **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** measurements, circuit breaker and disconnector status indications from:
  - (i) CCGT Modules at Large Power Stations, the outputs and status indications must each be provided to The Company on an individual CCGT Unit basis. In addition, where identified in the Bilateral Agreement, Active Power and Reactive Power measurements from Unit Transformers and/or Station Transformers must be provided.
  - (ii) DC Converters at DC Converter Stations and OTSDUW DC Converters, the outputs and status indications must each be provided to The Company on an individual DC Converter basis. In addition, where identified in the Bilateral Agreement, Active Power and Reactive Power measurements from converter and/or station transformers must be provided.
  - (iii) Power Park Modules at Embedded Large Power Stations and at directly connected Power Stations, the outputs and status indications must each be provided to The Company on an individual Power Park Module basis. In addition, where identified in the Bilateral Agreement, Active Power and Reactive Power measurements from station transformers must be provided.
  - (iv) In respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, the outputs and status indications must be provided to The Company for each piece of electrical equipment. In addition, where identified in the Bilateral Agreement, Active Power and Reactive Power measurements at the Interface Point must be provided.
- (c) For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements of CC.6.5.6(a) in the case of a Cascade Hydro Scheme will be provided for each Generating Unit forming part of that Cascade Hydro Scheme. In the case of Embedded Generating Units forming part of a Cascade Hydro Scheme the data may be provided by means other than the SCADA outstation located at the Power Station, such as, with the agreement of the Network Operator in whose system such Embedded Generating Unit is located, from the Network Operator's SCADA system to The Company. Details of such arrangements will be contained in the relevant Bilateral Agreements between The Company and the GB Generator and the Network Operator.

- (d) In the case of a Power Park Module, additional energy input signals (e.g. wind speed, and wind direction) may be specified in the Bilateral Agreement. For Power Park Modules with a Completion Date on or after 1st April 2016, a Power Available signal will also be specified in the Bilateral Agreement. The signals would be used to establish the potential level of energy input from the Intermittent Power Source for monitoring pursuant to CC.6.6.1 and Ancillary Services and will, in the case of a wind farm, be used to provide The Company with advanced warning of excess wind speed shutdown and to determine the level of Headroom available from Power Park Modules for the purposes of calculating response and reserve. For the avoidance of doubt, the Power Available signal would be automatically provided to The Company and represent the sum of the potential output of all available and operational Power Park Units within the Power Park Module. The refresh rate of the Power Available signal shall be specified in the Bilateral Agreement.
- (e) In addition to the above requirements, Restoration Contractors shall be capable of providing the operational metering requirements specified in the Anchor Restoration Contract or Top Up Restoration Contract during System Restoration. In particular for renewable generation, the volume of primary energy such as wind speed and in the case of storage, storage capacity shall be provided.

#### Instructor Facilities

CC.6.5.7 The **User** shall accommodate **Instructor Facilities** provided by **The Company** for the receipt of operational messages relating to **System** conditions.

### **Electronic Data Communication Facilities**

- CC.6.5.8 (a) All **BM Participants** must ensure that appropriate electronic data communication facilities are in place to permit the submission of data, as required by the **Grid Code**, to **The Company**.
  - (b) In addition,
    - (1) any GB Code User that wishes to participate in the Balancing Mechanism;

or

(2) any **BM Participant** in respect of its **BM Units** at a **Power Station** where the **Construction Agreement** and/or a **Bilateral Agreement** has a **Completion Date** on or after 1 January 2013 and the **BM Participant** is required to provide all **Part 1 System Ancillary Services** in accordance with CC.8.1 (unless **The Company** has otherwise agreed)

must ensure that appropriate automatic logging devices are installed at the **Control Points** of its **BM Units** to submit data to and to receive instructions from **The Company**, as required by the **Grid Code**. For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of an **Interconnector User**, the **Control Point** will be at the **Control Centre** of the appropriate **Externally Interconnected System Operator**.

(c) Detailed specifications of these required electronic facilities will be provided by **The Company** on request and they are listed as **Electrical Standards** in the Annex to the **General Conditions**.

## Facsimile Machines and Electronic Communication Platform

- CC.6.5.9 Each **GB Code User** and **The Company** shall provide a facsimile machine or machines:
  - (a) in the case of **GB Generators**, at the **Control Point** of each **Power Station** and at its **Trading Point**;
  - (b) in the case of The Company and Network Operators, at the Control Centre(s); and
  - (c) in the case of **Non-Embedded Customers** and **DC Converter Station** owners at the **Control Point**.

Each **GB Code User** shall notify, prior to connection to the **System** of the **GB Code User's Plant** and **Apparatus**, **The Company** of its or their telephone number or numbers, and will notify **The Company** of any changes. Prior to connection to the **System** of the **GB Code User's Plant** and **Apparatus**, **The Company** shall notify each **GB Code User** of the telephone number or numbers of its facsimile machine or machines and will notify any changes.

On a date agreed between **The Company** and a **GB Code User**, **The Company** shall provide an **Electronic Communication Platform** accessible to that **GB Code User** and that **GB Code User** shall provide access facilities at the following locations:

- (a) in the case of **GB Generators**, at the **Control Point** of each **Power Station** and at their **Trading Point(s)**;
- (b) in the case of **Network Operators**, at their **Control Centre(s)**; and
- (c) in the case of **Non-Embedded Customers** and **DC Converter Station** owners at their **Control Point(s)**.

The **GB Code User** shall ensure the facilities required to access the **Electronic Communication Platform** are maintained at all times.

## CC.6.5.10 Busbar Voltage

The Relevant Transmission Licensee shall, subject as provided below, provide each GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner at each Grid Entry Point where one of its Power Stations or DC Converter Stations is connected with appropriate voltage signals to enable the GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner to obtain the necessary information to permit its Gensets or DC Converters to be Synchronised to the National Electricity Transmission System. The term "voltage signal" shall mean in this context, a point of connection on (or wire or wires from) a relevant part of Transmission Plant and/or Apparatus at the Grid Entry Point, to which the GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner, with The Company's agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld) in relation to the Plant and/or Apparatus to be attached, will be able to attach its Plant and/or Apparatus (normally a wire or wires) in order to obtain measurement outputs in relation to the busbar.

## CC.6.5.11 <u>Bilingual Message Facilities</u>

- (a) A Bilingual Message Facility is the method by which the User's Responsible Engineer/Operator, the Externally Interconnected System Operator and The Company's Control Engineers communicate clear and unambiguous information in two languages for the purposes of control of the Total System in both normal and emergency operating conditions.
- (b) A Bilingual Message Facility, where required, will provide up to two hundred pre-defined messages with up to five hundred and sixty characters each. A maximum of one minute is allowed for the transmission to, and display of, the selected message at any destination. The standard messages must be capable of being displayed at any combination of locations and can originate from any of these locations. Messages displayed in the UK will be displayed in the English language.
- (c) Detailed information on a Bilingual Message Facility and suitable equipment required for individual **GB Code User** applications will be provided by **The Company** upon request.

## CC.6.6 System Monitoring

CC.6.6.1 Monitoring equipment is provided on the National Electricity Transmission System to enable The Company to monitor its power system dynamic performance conditions. Where this monitoring equipment requires voltage and current signals on the Generating Unit (other than Power Park Unit), DC Converter or Power Park Module circuit from the GB Code User or from OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, The Company will inform the GB Code User and they will be provided by the GB Code User with both the timing of the installation of the equipment for receiving such signals and its exact position being agreed (the GB Code User's agreement not to be unreasonably withheld) and the costs being dealt with, pursuant to the terms of the Bilateral Agreement.

- CC.6.6.2 For all on site monitoring by **The Company** of witnessed tests pursuant to the **CP** or **OC5** the **GB Code User** shall provide suitable test signals as outlined in OC5.A.1.
- CC.6.6.2.1 The signals which shall be provided by the **GB Code User** to **The Company** for onsite monitoring shall be of the following resolution, unless otherwise agreed by **The Company**:
  - (i) 1 Hz for reactive range tests
  - (ii) 10 Hz for frequency control tests
  - (iii) 100 Hz for voltage control tests
- CC.6.6.2.2 The **GB Code User** will provide all relevant signals for this purpose in the form of d.c. voltages within the range -10V to +10V. In exceptional circumstances, some signals may be accepted as d.c. voltages within the range -60V to +60V with prior agreement between the **GB Code User** and **The Company**. All signals shall:
  - (i) in the case of an Onshore Power Park Module, DC Convertor Station or Synchronous Generating Unit, be suitably terminated in a single accessible location at the GB Generator or DC Converter Station owner's site.
  - (ii) in the case of an Offshore Power Park Module and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, be transmitted onshore without attenuation, delay or filtering which would result in the inability to fully demonstrate the objectives of the test, or identify any potential safety or plant instability issues, and be suitably terminated in a single robust location normally located at or near the onshore Interface Point of the Offshore Transmission System to which it is connected.
- CC.6.6.2.3 All signals shall be suitably scaled across the range. The following scaling would (unless **The Company** notify the **GB Code User** otherwise) be acceptable to **The Company**:
  - (a) 0MW to Registered Capacity or Interface Point Capacity 0-8V dc
  - (b) Maximum leading Reactive Power to maximum lagging Reactive Power -8 to 8V dc
  - (c) 48 52Hz as -8 to 8V dc
  - (d) Nominal terminal or connection point voltage -10% to +10% as -8 to 8V dc
- CC.6.6.2.4 The **GB Code User** shall provide to **The Company** a 230V power supply adjacent to the signal terminal location.
- CC.7 <u>SITE RELATED CONDITIONS</u>
- CC.7.1 Not used.
- CC.7.2 Responsibilities For Safety
- CC.7.2.1 Any User entering and working on its Plant and/or Apparatus (including, until the OTSUA Transfer Time, any OTSUA) on a Transmission Site will work to the Safety Rules of the Relevant Transmission Licensee, as advised by The Company.
- CC.7.2.2 For **User Sites**, **The Company** shall procure that the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** entering and working on **Transmission Plant** and/or **Apparatus** on a **User Site** will work to the **User's Safety Rules**.
- A User may, with a minimum of six weeks notice, apply to The Company for permission to work according to that Users own Safety Rules when working on its Plant and/or Apparatus on a Transmission Site rather than those set out in CC.7.2.1. If The Company is of the opinion that the User's Safety Rules provide for a level of safety commensurate with those set out in CC.7.2.1, The Company will notify the User, in writing, that, with effect from the date requested by the User, the User may use its own Safety Rules when working on its Plant and/or Apparatus on the Transmission Site. In forming its opinion, The Company will seek the opinion of the Relevant Transmission Licensee. Until receipt of such written approval from The Company, the GB Code User will continue to use the Safety Rules as set out in CC.7.2.1.

- In the case of a User Site, The Company may, with a minimum of six weeks notice, apply to a User for permission for the Relevant Transmission Licensee to work according to the Relevant Transmission Licensee's Safety Rules when working on Transmission Plant and/or Apparatus on that User Site, rather than the User's Safety Rules. If the User is of the opinion that the Relevant Transmission Licensee's Safety Rules, provide for a level of safety commensurate with that of that User's Safety Rules, it will notify The Company, in writing, that, with effect from the date requested by The Company, that the Relevant Transmission Licensee may use its own Safety Rules when working on its Transmission Plant and/or Apparatus on that User's Site. Until receipt of such written approval from the User, The Company shall procure that the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall continue to use the User's Safety Rules.
- For a Transmission Site, if The Company gives its approval for the User's Safety Rules to apply to the User when working on its Plant and/or Apparatus, that does not imply that the User's Safety Rules will apply to entering the Transmission Site and access to the User's Plant and/or Apparatus on that Transmission Site. Bearing in mind the Relevant Transmission Licensee's responsibility for the whole Transmission Site, entry and access will always be in accordance with the Relevant Transmission Licensee's site access procedures. For a User Site, if the User gives its approval for Relevant Transmission Licensee Safety Rules to apply to the Relevant Transmission Licensee when working on its Plant and Apparatus, that does not imply that the Relevant Transmission Licensee's Safety Rules will apply to entering the User Site, and access to the Transmission Plant and Apparatus on that User Site. Bearing in mind the User's responsibility for the whole User Site, entry and access will always be in accordance with the User's site access procedures.
- CC.7.2.6 For User Sites, Users shall notify The Company of any Safety Rules that apply to the Relevant Transmission Licensee's staff working on User Sites. The Company shall procure that the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall notify Users of any Safety Rules that apply to the User's staff working on the Transmission Site.
- CC.7.2.7 Each **Site Responsibility Schedule** must have recorded on it the **Safety Rules** which apply to each item of **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**.
- CC.7.2.8 In the case of **OTSUA** a **User Site** or **Transmission Site** shall, for the purposes of this CC.7.2, include a site at which there is an **Interface Point** until the **OTSUA Transfer Time** when it becomes part of the **National Electricity Transmission System**.
- CC.7.3 <u>Site Responsibility Schedules</u>
- In order to inform site operational staff and **The Company's Control Engineers** of agreed responsibilities for **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** at the operational interface, a **Site Responsibility Schedule** shall be produced for **Connection Sites** (and in the case of **OTSUA**, until the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, **Interface Sites**) for **The Company**, the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and **Users** with whom they interface.
- CC.7.3.2 The format, principles and basic procedure to be used in the preparation of **Site Responsibility Schedules** are set down in Appendix 1.
- CC.7.4 Operation And Gas Zone Diagrams

**Operation Diagrams** 

An **Operation Diagram** shall be prepared for each **Connection Site** at which a **Connection Point** exists (and in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, by **User's** for each **Interface Point**) using, where appropriate, the graphical symbols shown in Part 1A of Appendix 2. **Users** should also note that the provisions of **OC11** apply in certain circumstances.

- The Operation Diagram shall include all HV Apparatus and the connections to all external circuits and incorporate numbering, nomenclature and labelling, as set out in OC11. At those Connection Sites (or in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, Interface Points) where gas-insulated metal enclosed switchgear and/or other gas-insulated HV Apparatus is installed, those items must be depicted within an area delineated by a chain dotted line which intersects gas-zone boundaries. The nomenclature used shall conform with that used on the relevant Connection Site and circuit (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, Interface Point and circuit). The Operation Diagram (and the list of technical details) is intended to provide an accurate record of the layout and circuit interconnections, ratings and numbering and nomenclature of HV Apparatus and related Plant.
- CC.7.4.3 A non-exhaustive guide to the types of **HV Apparatus** to be shown in the **Operation Diagram** is shown in Part 2 of Appendix 2, together with certain basic principles to be followed unless equivalent principles are approved by **The Company**.

## Gas Zone Diagrams

- CC.7.4.4 A **Gas Zone Diagram** shall be prepared for each **Connection Site** at which a **Connection Point** (and in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, by **User's** for an **Interface Point**) exists where gas-insulated switchgear and/or other gas-insulated **HV Apparatus** is utilised. They shall use, where appropriate, the graphical symbols shown in Part 1B of Appendix 2.
- CC.7.4.5 The nomenclature used shall conform with that used in the relevant **Connection Site** and circuit (and in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, relevant **Interface Point** and circuit).
- CC.7.4.6 The basic principles set out in Part 2 of Appendix 2 shall be followed in the preparation of **Gas Zone Diagrams** unless equivalent principles are approved by **The Company**.

Preparation of Operation and Gas Zone Diagrams for Users' Sites and Transmission Interface Sites

- In the case of a User Site, the User shall prepare and submit to The Company, an Operation Diagram for all HV Apparatus on the User side of the Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, on what will be the Offshore Transmission side of the Connection Point and the Interface Point) and The Company shall provide the User with an Operation Diagram for all HV Apparatus on the Transmission side of the Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus on what will be the Onshore Transmission side of the Interface Point), in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement prior to the Completion Date under the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.
- CC.7.4.8 The User will then prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted on the User's Operation Diagram and The Company Operation Diagram, a composite Operation Diagram for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, Interface Point), also in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.
- CC.7.4.9 The provisions of CC.7.4.7 and CC.7.4.8 shall apply in relation to **Gas Zone Diagrams** where gas-insulated switchgear and/or other gas-insulated **HV Apparatus** is utilised.

<u>Preparation of Operation and Gas Zone Diagrams for Transmission Sites</u>

- In the case of an **Transmission Site**, the **User** shall prepare and submit to **The Company** an **Operation Diagram** for all **HV Apparatus** on the **User** side of the **Connection Point**, in accordance with the timing requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**.
- CC.7.4.11 The Company will then prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted on the User's Operation Diagram, a composite Operation Diagram for the complete Connection Site, also in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.
- CC.7.4.12 The provisions of CC.7.4.10 and CC.7.4.11 shall apply in relation to **Gas Zone Diagrams** where gas-insulated switchgear and/or other gas-insulated **HV Apparatus** is utilised.
- CC.7.4.13 Changes to Operation and Gas Zone Diagrams

- CC.7.4.13.1 When the Relevant Transmission Licensee has decided that it wishes to install new HV Apparatus or it wishes to change the existing numbering or nomenclature of Transmission HV Apparatus at a Transmission Site, The Company, in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee will (unless it gives rise to a Modification under the CUSC, in which case the provisions of the CUSC as to the timing apply) one month prior to the installation or change, send to each such User a revised Operation Diagram of that Transmission Site, incorporating the new Transmission HV Apparatus to be installed and its numbering and nomenclature or the changes, as the case may be. OC11 is also relevant to certain Apparatus.
- CC.7.4.13.2 When a User has decided that it wishes to install new HV Apparatus, or it wishes to change the existing numbering or nomenclature of its HV Apparatus at its User Site, the User will (unless it gives rise to a Modification under the CUSC, in which case the provisions of the CUSC as to the timing apply) one month prior to the installation or change, send to The Company a revised Operation Diagram of that User Site incorporating the new User HV Apparatus to be installed and its numbering and nomenclature or the changes as the case may be. OC11 is also relevant to certain Apparatus.
- CC.7.4.13.3 The provisions of CC.7.4.13.1 and CC.7.4.13.2 shall apply in relation to **Gas Zone Diagrams** where gas-insulated switchgear and/or other gas-insulated **HV Apparatus** is installed.

#### **Validity**

- CC.7.4.14 (a) The composite **Operation Diagram** prepared by **The Company** or the **User**, as the case may be, will be the definitive **Operation Diagram** for all operational and planning activities associated with the **Connection Site**. If a dispute arises as to the accuracy of the composite **Operation Diagram**, a meeting shall be held at the **Connection Site**, as soon as reasonably practicable, between **The Company** and the **User**, to endeavour to resolve the matters in dispute.
  - (b) The composite **Operation Diagram** prepared by **The Company** or the **User**, as the case may be, will be the definitive **Operation Diagram** for all operational and planning activities associated with the **Interface Point** until the **OTSUA Transfer Time**. If a dispute arises as to the accuracy of the composite **Operation Diagram** prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, a meeting shall be held at the **Interface Point**, as soon as reasonably practicable, between **The Company** and the **User**, to endeavour to resolve the matters in dispute.
  - (c) An equivalent rule shall apply for **Gas Zone Diagrams** where they exist for a **Connection Site**.
- CC.7.4.15 In the case of **OTSUA**, a **User Site** and **Transmission Site** shall, for the purposes of this CC.7.4, include a site at which there is an **Interface Point** until the **OTSUA Transfer Time** when it becomes part of the **National Electricity Transmission System** and references to **HV Apparatus** in this CC.7.4 shall include references to **HV OTSUA**.
- CC.7.5 <u>Site Common Drawings</u>
- CC.7.5.1 Site Common Drawings will be prepared for each Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, each Interface Point) and will include Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point) layout drawings, electrical layout drawings, common Protection/control drawings and common services drawings.

Preparation of Site Common Drawings for a User Site and Transmission Interface Site

- In the case of a **User Site**, **The Company** shall prepare and submit to the **User**, **Site Common Drawings** for the **Transmission** side of the **Connection Point** (and in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, on what will be the **Onshore Transmission** side of the **Interface Point**,) and the **User** shall prepare and submit to **The Company**, **Site Common Drawings** for the **User** side of the **Connection Point** (and in the case of **OTSDUW**, on what will be the **Offshore Transmission** side of the **Interface Point**) in accordance with the timing requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**.
- CC.7.5.3 The **User** will then prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted on the **Transmission Site Common Drawings**, **Site Common Drawings** for the complete **Connection Site** (and in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Interface Point**) in accordance with the timing requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**.

#### Preparation of Site Common Drawings for a Transmission Site

- CC.7.5.4 In the case of a **Transmission Site**, the **User** will prepare and submit to **The Company Site Common Drawings** for the **User** side of the **Connection Point** in accordance with the timing requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**.
- CC.7.5.5 The Company will then prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted in the User's Site Common Drawings, Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.
- CC.7.5.6 When a **User** becomes aware that it is necessary to change any aspect of the **Site Common Drawings** at a **Connection Site** (and in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Interface Point**) it will:
  - (a) if it is a User Site, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare, produce and distribute revised Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point); and
  - (b) if it is a Transmission Site, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare and submit to The Company revised Site Common Drawings for the User side of the Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point) and The Company will then, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted in the User's Site Common Drawings, revised Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point).

In either case, if in the **User's** reasonable opinion the change can be dealt with by it notifying **The Company** in writing of the change and for each party to amend its copy of the **Site Common Drawings** (or where there is only one set, for the party holding that set to amend it), then it shall so notify and each party shall so amend. If the change gives rise to a **Modification** under the **CUSC**, the provisions of the **CUSC** as to timing will apply.

- CC.7.5.7 When **The Company** becomes aware that it is necessary to change any aspect of the **Site Common Drawings** at a **Connection Site** (and in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Interface Point**) it will:
  - (a) if it is a Transmission Site, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare, produce and distribute revised Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point); and
  - (b) if it is a User Site, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare and submit to the User revised Site Common Drawings for the Transmission side of the Connection Point (in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point) and the User will then, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted in the Transmission Site Common Drawings, revised Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point).

In either case, if in **The Company's** reasonable opinion the change can be dealt with by it notifying the **User** in writing of the change and for each party to amend its copy of the **Site Common Drawings** (or where there is only one set, for the party holding that set to amend it), then it shall so notify and each party shall so amend. If the change gives rise to a **Modification** under the **CUSC**, the provisions of the **CUSC** as to timing will apply.

## <u>Validity</u>

CC.7.5.8 (a) The **Site Common Drawings** for the complete **Connection Site** prepared by the **User** or **The Company**, as the case may be, will be the definitive **Site Common Drawings** for all operational and planning activities associated with the **Connection Site**. If a dispute arises as to the accuracy of the **Site Common Drawings**, a meeting shall be held at the **Site**, as soon as reasonably practicable, between **The Company** and the **User**, to endeavour to resolve the matters in dispute.

- (b) The **Site Common Drawing** prepared by **The Company** or the **User**, as the case may be, will be the definitive **Site Common Drawing** for all operational and planning activities associated with the **Interface Point** until the **OTSUA Transfer Time**. If a dispute arises as to the accuracy of the composite **Operation Diagram** prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, a meeting shall be held at the **Interface Point**, as soon as reasonably practicable, between **The Company** and the **User**, to endeavour to resolve the matters in dispute.
- CC.7.5.9 In the case of **OTSUA**, a **User Site** and **Transmission Site** shall, for the purposes of this CC.7.5, include a site at which there is an **Interface Point** until the **OTSUA Transfer Time** when it becomes part of the **National Electricity Transmission System**.
- CC.7.6 Access
- CC.7.6.1 The provisions relating to access to **Transmission Sites** by **Users**, and to **Users' Sites** by **Relevant Transmission Licensees**, are set out in each **Interface Agreement** (or in the case of **Interfaces Sites** prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time** agreements in similar form) with, the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and each **User**.
- CC.7.6.2 In addition to those provisions, where a **Transmission Site** contains exposed **HV** conductors, unaccompanied access will only be granted to individuals holding an **Authority for Access** issued by the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**.
- CC.7.6.3 The procedure for applying for an **Authority for Access** is contained in the **Interface Agreement**.
- CC.7.7 Maintenance Standards
- It is the **User's** responsibility to ensure that all its **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including, until the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, any **OTSUA**) on a **Transmission Site** is tested and maintained adequately for the purpose for which it is intended, and to ensure that it does not pose a threat to the safety of any **Transmission Plant**, **Apparatus** or personnel on the **Transmission Site**. **The Company** will have the right to inspect the test results and maintenance records relating to such **Plant** and **Apparatus** at any time
- CC.7.7.2 For **User Sites**, **The Company** shall procure that the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** has a responsibility to ensure that all **Transmission Plant** and **Apparatus** on a **User Site** is tested and maintained adequately for the purposes for which it is intended and to ensure that it does not pose a threat to the safety of any **User's Plant**, **Apparatus** or personnel on the **User Site**.

The **User** will have the right to inspect the test results and maintenance records relating to such **Plant** and **Apparatus** on its **User Site** at any time.

- CC.7.8 Site Operational Procedures
- CC.7.8.1 Where there is an interface with **National Electricity Transmission System**, **The Company** and **Users**, must make available staff to take necessary **Safety Precautions** and carry out operational duties as may be required to enable work/testing to be carried out and for the operation of **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including, prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, any **OTSUA**) connected to the **Total System**.
- CC.7.9 **GB Generators, DC Converter Station** owners and **BM Participants** (including **Virtual Lead** Parties) shall provide a **Control Point**.
  - a) In the case of GB Generators and DC Converter Station owners, for each Power Station or DC Converter Station directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System and for each Embedded Large Power Station or Embedded DC Converter Station, the Control Point shall receive and act upon instructions pursuant to OC7 and BC2 at all times that Generating Units or Power Park Modules at the Power Station are generating or available to generate or DC Converters at the DC Converter Station are importing or exporting or available to do so. In the case of all BM Participants, the Control Point shall be continuously staffed except where the Bilateral Agreement specifies that compliance with BC2 is not required, in which case the Control Point shall be staffed between the hours of 0800 and 1800 each day.

b) In the case of **BM Participants**, the **BM Participant's Control Point** shall be capable of receiving and acting upon instructions from **The Company** and the relevant **Transmission Licensees' Control Engineers**.

**The Company** will normally issue instructions via automatic logging devices in accordance with the requirements of CC.6.5.8(b).

Where the **BM Participant's Plant** and **Apparatus** does not respond to an instruction from **The Company** via automatic logging devices, or where it is not possible for **The Company** to issue the instruction via automatic logging devices, **The Company** shall issue the instruction by telephone.

In the case of BM Participants who own and/or operate a Power Station or DC Converter Station with an aggregated Registered Capacity or BM Participants with BM Units with an aggregated Demand Capacity per Control Point of less than 50MW, or, where a site is not part of a Virtual Lead Party as defined in the BSC, a Registered Capacity or Demand Capacity per site of less than 10MW:

- a) where this situation arises, a representative of the BM Participant is required to be available to respond to instructions from The Company via the Control Telephony or System Telephony system, as provided for in CC.6.5.4, between the hours of 0800-1800 each day.
- b) Outside the hours of 0800-1800 each day, the requirements of BC2.9.7 shall apply.

For the avoidance of doubt, where **The Company** has agreed with a **BM Participant** that **Control Telephony** is not required and where the **BM Participant** does not have a continuously staffed **Control Point** the **BM Participant** may be unable to act as a **Defence Service Provider** and shall be unable to act as a **Restoration Contractor** where these require **Control Telephony** or a **Control Point** in respect of the specification of any such services falling into these categories.

- CC.7.10 Obligations on Users in respect of Critical Tools and Facilities
- CC.7.10.1 From 04/09/2024 **The Company**, each **Generator**, **DC Converter Station** owner, **Network Operator**, **Non-Embedded Customer** and each **Restoration Contractor** with a continuously staffed **Control Point** or **Control Centre** as provided for in CC.7.9 shall
  - (i) Ensure they have the appropriate Critical Tools and Facilities necessary to control their assets during System Restoration, from their Control Point or Control Centre as appropriate for a minimum period of 72 hours (or such longer period as agreed between the Generator, DC Converter Station owner, Network Operator, Non-Embedded Customer and/or Restoration Contractor and The Company) following a Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown.
  - (ii) Ensure as far as reasonably practical that they have adequate control equipment redundancy in place so that in the event of a failure of one or more components of the control system its function is unimpaired.
  - (iii) Report on the results of their management and testing for their **Critical Tools and Facilities** on request by **The Company**.
- CC.7.10.2 From 04/09/2024 each **BM Participant** including a **Virtual Lead Party** with a continuously staffed **Control Point** as provided for in CC.7.9 (excluding those **BM Participants** covered by the requirements of CC.7.10.1), shall:-
  - (i) Ensure they have the appropriate Critical Tools and Facilities (as defined in clause (c) of the definition of Critical Tools and Facilities in the Grid Code Glossary and Definitions) for a minimum period of 72 hours (or such longer period as agreed between the BM Participant including a Virtual Lead Party and The Company) following a Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown.

- (ii) Ensure as far as reasonably practical that they have adequate control equipment redundancy in place at their **Control Point** so that in the event of a failure of one or more components of their **Critical Tools and Facilities** its function is unimpaired.
- (iii) Report on the results of their management and testing for their **Critical Tools and Facilities** on request by **The Company**.
- In the case of a BM Participant or Virtual Lead Party which has an Anchor Restoration Contract or Top Up Restoration Contract in respect of one or more of its aggregated Plants, the requirements of CC.7.10.1 shall only apply between the Control Point of the BM Participant or Virtual Lead Party and that Plant with an Anchor Plant Capability or Top Up Restoration Capability. For other non-contracted Plants under the control of the BM Participant or Virtual Lead Party, the requirements of CC.7.10.2 shall continue to apply.
- CC.7.10.4 Where a **Network Operator** installs a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System** to facilitate operation of a **Distribution Restoration Zone Plan**, the high level functional requirements of the **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System** shall be in accordance with the guidance provided in the applicable **Electrical Standard** listed in the annex to the **General Conditions**.
- CC.7.10.5 **Network Operators** shall ensure that their substations which are required to be operable during **System Restoration** have 72 hour electrical supply resilience to facilitate **Network Operators** being able to:
  - restore auxiliary supplies to Transmission substations;
  - switch **Demand** in accordance with a **Restoration Plan**;
  - support The Company in satisfying the requirements of the Electricity System Restoration Standard.
- CC.7.10.6 The Company, each GB Code User and Restoration Contractor shall ensure their Critical Tools and Facilities are cyber secure accordance with the Security of Network and Information System (NIS) Regulations. This requirement applies to The Company, GB Code Users and Restoration Contractors at all times.
- CC.7.10.7 Notwithstanding the requirements of CC.7.10.1, **The Company**, each **GB Code User** and **Restoration Contractor** shall ensure that their **Critical Tools and Facilities** are sufficiently robust and reliable such that they are capable of handling, processing and prioritising the significant volumes of data that could reasonably be expected to occur during **System Restoration**.
- CC.7.10.8 Where an **Offshore Generator** is connected to an **Offshore Transmission System** and the **Offshore Transmission Licensee** does not have **Critical Tools and Facilities** installed on its **Offshore Transmission System**, **The Company** will make an allowance for the **Critical Tools and Facilities** required to be installed by the **Offshore Generator**.
- CC.7.11 Obligations on and Assurance from The Company, GB Code Users and Restoration Contractors during Total Shutdown and Partial Shutdown conditions
- CC.7.11.1 In respect of **The Company**, its **Apparatus** shall be designed such that it can safely shutdown and does not pose a risk to personnel or **Apparatus** in the event of a total loss of supply.
- All GB Code Users and Restoration Contractors shall ensure their Plant and Apparatus can safely shut down and does not pose a risk to Plant and/or personnel in the event of a total loss of supplies at a GB Code User's Site(s) or Restoration Contractor's site be it caused by a Total Shutdown, Partial Shutdown or such other event. In satisfying this requirement, Generators, DC Converter owners and Restoration Contractors shall be able to demonstrate to The Company that in the event supplies were to be lost to their Site, then on the restoration of supplies, their Plant can be made operational and begin to operate in at least the same way and as quickly as would be expected for a cold start following a Total System Shutdown or Partial System Shutdown in accordance with the data submitted in PC.A.5.7 in accordance with the Week 24 process. For GB

Code Users where they believe this requirement is cost prohibitive or technically impossible, such GB Code Users shall discuss the issue with The Company, and The Company shall inform The Authority of the details agreed. Where such an issue cannot be agreed by The Company, following all reasonable attempts, or where the capability provided by the GB Code User cannot be agreed by The Company as being sufficient after examining all reasonable alternative solutions through the Compliance Processes, the GB Code User may apply for a derogation from the Grid Code.

- CC.7.11.3 The requirements of CC.7.11.1 and CC.7.11.2 shall apply for a period of total loss of supplies to **The Company's** operational sites or a **GB Code User's Site** or **Restoration Contractor's** site of up to 72 hours. **GB Code Users** and **Restoration Contractors** shall confirm to **The Company** that the total loss of supplies to their **Site** for a period of up to 72 hours shall not result in damage to **Plant** and **Apparatus** such that it would then be unable to operate upon the restoration of electrical supplies to the site.
- CC.7.11.4 **Network Operators** shall ensure that in coordination with **The Company** and relevant **Transmission Licensees**, they have the capability to switch **Demand** at sufficient speed to support **The Company** in satisfying the requirements of the **Electricity System Restoration Standard**. This requirement assumes:
  - · the successful implementation of Restoration Plans,
  - the successful delivery of the obligations of Restoration Contractors who are parties to these plans; and
  - the further requirements of OC9 have been implemented.

## CC.8 <u>ANCILLARY SERVICES</u>

## CC.8.1 <u>System Ancillary Services</u>

The CC's contain requirements for the capability for certain Ancillary Services, which are needed for System reasons ("System Ancillary Services"). There follows a list of these System Ancillary Services, together with the paragraph number of the CC (or other part of the Grid Code) in which the minimum capability is required or referred to. The list is divided into two categories: Part 1 lists the System Ancillary Services which

- (a) **GB Generators** in respect of **Large Power Stations** are obliged to provide (except **GB Generators** in respect of **Large Power Stations** which have a **Registered Capacity** of less than 50MW and comprise **Power Park Modules**); and,
- (b) GB Generators in respect of Large Power Stations with a Registered Capacity of less than 50MW and comprise Power Park Modules are obliged to provide in respect of Reactive Power only; and,
- (c) **DC Converter Station** owners are obliged to have the capability to supply; and
- (d) **GB Generators** in respect of **Medium Power Stations** (except **Embedded Medium Power Stations**) are obliged to provide in respect of **Reactive Power** only:

and Part 2 lists the **System Ancillary Services** which **GB Generators** or **Restoration Contractors** will provide only if agreement to provide them is reached with **The Company** or in the case where a **Restoration Contractor** is party to a **Distribution Restoration Zone Plan**, agreement is reached with **The Company** and **Network Operator**:

#### Part 1

- (a) Reactive Power supplied (in accordance with CC.6.3.2) otherwise than by means of synchronous or static compensators (except in the case of a Power Park Module where synchronous or static compensators within the Power Park Module may be used to provide Reactive Power)
- (b) Frequency Control by means of Frequency sensitive generation CC.6.3.7 and BC3.5.1

## Part 2

- (c) Frequency Control by means of Fast Start CC.6.3.14.
- (d) Anchor Plant Capability or Top Up Restoration Capability CC.6.3.5
- (e) System to Generator Operational Intertripping.
- (f) Services provided by **Restoration Contractors**.

## CC.8.2 <u>Commercial Ancillary Services</u>

Other Ancillary Services are also utilised by The Company in operating the Total System if these have been agreed to be provided by a GB Code User (or other person) under an Ancillary Services Agreement or under a Bilateral Agreement, with payment being dealt with under an Ancillary Services Agreement or in the case of Externally Interconnected System Operators or Interconnector Users, under any other agreement (and in the case of Externally Interconnected System Operators and Interconnector Users includes Ancillary Services equivalent to or similar to System Ancillary Services) ("Commercial Ancillary Services"). The capability for these Commercial Ancillary Services is set out in the relevant Ancillary Services Agreement or Bilateral Agreement (as the case may be).

## APPENDIX 1 - SITE RESPONSIBILITY SCHEDULES

FORMAT, PRINCIPLES AND BASIC PROCEDURE TO BE USED IN THE PREPARATION OF SITE RESPONSIBILITY SCHEDULES

#### CC.A.1.1 Principles

Types of Schedules

- CC.A.1.1.1 At all Complexes (which in the context of this CC shall include, Interface Sites until the OTSUA Transfer Time) the following Site Responsibility Schedules shall be drawn up using the relevant proforma attached or with such variations as may be agreed between The Company and Users, but in the absence of agreement the relevant proforma attached will be used. In addition, in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, and in readiness for the OTSUA Transfer Time, the User shall provide The Company with the necessary information such that Site Responsibility Schedules in this form can be prepared by the Relevant Transmission Licensees for the Transmission Interface Site:
  - (a) Schedule of HV Apparatus
  - (b) Schedule of Plant, LV/MV Apparatus, services and supplies;
  - (c) Schedule of telecommunications and measurements **Apparatus**.

Other than at **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter**, **Power Park Module** and **Power Station** locations, the schedules referred to in (b) and (c) may be combined.

**New Connection Sites** 

In the case of a new Connection Site each Site Responsibility Schedule for a Connection Site shall be prepared by The Company in consultation with relevant GB Code Users at least 2 weeks prior to the Completion Date (or, where the OTSUA is to become Operational prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time, an alternative date) under the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement for that Connection Site (which may form part of a Complex). In the case of a new Interface Site where the OTSUA is to become Operational prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time each Site Responsibility Schedule for an Interface Site shall be prepared by The Company in consultation with relevant GB Code Users at least 2 weeks prior to the Completion Date under the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement for that Interface Site (which may form part of a Complex) (and references to and requirements placed on "Connection Site" in this CC shall also be read as "Interface Site" where the context requires and until the OTSUA Transfer Time). Each GB Code User shall, in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement, provide information to The Company to enable it to prepare the Site Responsibility Schedule.

Sub-division

CC.A.1.1.3 Each **Site Responsibility Schedule** will be subdivided to take account of any separate **Connection Sites** on that **Complex**.

<u>Scope</u>

- CC.A.1.1.4 Each Site Responsibility Schedule shall detail for each item of Plant and Apparatus:
  - (a) Plant/Apparatus ownership;
  - (b) Site Manager (Controller) (except in the case of **Plant/Apparatus** located in **SPT's Transmission Area**):
  - (c) Safety issues comprising applicable **Safety Rules** and **Control Person** or other responsible person (**Safety Co-ordinator**), or such other person who is responsible for safety;
  - (d) Operations issues comprising applicable Operational Procedures and Control Engineer;
  - (e) Responsibility to undertake statutory inspections, fault investigation and maintenance.

Each Connection Point shall be precisely shown.

#### Detail

- CC.A.1.1.5 (a) In the case of **Site Responsibility Schedules** referred to in CC.A.1.1.1(b) and (c), with the exception of **Protection Apparatus** and **Intertrip Apparatus** operation, it will be sufficient to indicate the responsible **User** or **Transmission Licensee**, as the case may be.
  - (b) In the case of the **Site Responsibility Schedule** referred to in CC.A.1.1.1(a) and for **Protection Apparatus** and **Intertrip Apparatus**, the responsible management unit must be shown in addition to the **User** or **Transmission Licensee**, as the case may be.
- CC.A.1.1.6 The **HV Apparatus Site Responsibility Schedule** for each **Connection Site** must include lines and cables emanating from or traversing<sup>1</sup> the **Connection Site**.

Issue Details

- CC.A.1.1.7 Every page of each **Site Responsibility Schedule** shall bear the date of issue and the issue number.

  <u>Accuracy Confirmation</u>
- CC.A.1.1.8 When a **Site Responsibility Schedule** is prepared it shall be sent by **The Company** to the **Users** involved for confirmation of its accuracy.
- CC.A.1.1.9 The **Site Responsibility Schedule** shall then be signed on behalf of **The Company** by its **Responsible Manager** (see CC.A.1.1.16) and on behalf of each **User** involved by its **Responsible Manager** (see CC.A.1.1.16), by way of written confirmation of its accuracy. The **Site Responsibility Schedule** will also be signed on behalf of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** by its **Responsible Manager**.

Distribution and Availability

- CC.A.1.1.10 Once signed, two copies will be distributed by **The Company**, not less than two weeks prior to its implementation date, to each **User** which is a party on the **Site Responsibility Schedule**, accompanied by a note indicating the issue number and the date of implementation.
- CC.A.1.1.11 **The Company** and **Users** must make the **Site Responsibility Schedules** readily available to operational staff at the **Complex** and at the other relevant control points.

Alterations to Existing Site Responsibility Schedules

- CC.A 1.1.12 Without prejudice to the provisions of CC.A.1.1.15 which deals with urgent changes, when a **User** identified on a **Site Responsibility Schedule** becomes aware that an alteration is necessary, it must inform **The Company** immediately and in any event 8 weeks prior to any change taking effect (or as soon as possible after becoming aware of it, if less than 8 weeks remain when the **User** becomes aware of the change). This will cover the commissioning of new **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** at the **Connection Site**, whether requiring a revised **Bilateral Agreement** or not, de-commissioning of **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**, and other changes which affect the accuracy of the **Site Responsibility Schedule**.
- CC.A 1.1.13 Where **The Company** has been informed of a change by an **GB Code User**, or itself proposes a change, it will prepare a revised **Site Responsibility Schedule** by not less than six weeks prior to the change taking effect (subject to it having been informed or knowing of the change eight weeks prior to that time) and the procedure set out in CC.A.1.1.8 shall be followed with regard to the revised **Site Responsibility Schedule**.
- CC.A 1.1.14 The revised **Site Responsibility Schedule** shall then be signed in accordance with the procedure set out in CC.A.1.1.9 and distributed in accordance with the procedure set out in CC.A.1.1.10, accompanied by a note indicating where the alteration(s) has/have been made, the new issue number and the date of implementation.

**Urgent Changes** 

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Details of circuits traversing the **Connection Site** are only needed from the date which is the earlier of the date when the **Site Responsibility Schedule** is first updated and 15<sup>th</sup> October 2004. In Scotland or **Offshore**, from a date to be agreed between **The Company** and **the Relevant Transmission Licensee**.

- CC.A.1.1.15 When an **GB Code User** identified on a **Site Responsibility Schedule**, or **The Company**, as the case may be, becomes aware that an alteration to the **Site Responsibility Schedule** is necessary urgently to reflect, for example, an emergency situation which has arisen outside its control, the **GB Code User** shall notify **The Company**, or **The Company** shall notify the **GB Code User**, as the case may be, immediately and will discuss:
  - (a) what change is necessary to the Site Responsibility Schedule;
  - (b) whether the Site Responsibility Schedule is to be modified temporarily or permanently;
  - (c) the distribution of the revised **Site Responsibility Schedule**.

The Company will prepare a revised Site Responsibility Schedule as soon as possible, and in any event within seven days of it being informed of or knowing the necessary alteration. The Site Responsibility Schedule will be confirmed by GB Code Users and signed on behalf of The Company and GB Code Users and the Relevant Transmission Licensee (by the persons referred to in CC.A.1.1.9) as soon as possible after it has been prepared and sent to GB Code Users for confirmation.

#### Responsible Managers

CC.A.1.1.16 Each GB Code User shall, prior to the Completion Date under each Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement, supply to The Company a list of Managers who have been duly authorised to sign Site Responsibility Schedules on behalf of the GB Code User and The Company shall, prior to the Completion Date under each Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement, supply to that GB Code User the name of the Relevant Transmission Licensee's Responsible Manager and each shall supply to the other any changes to such list six weeks before the change takes effect where the change is anticipated, and as soon as possible after the change, where the change was not anticipated.

**De-commissioning of Connection Sites** 

CC.A.1.1.17 Where a **Connection Site** is to be de-commissioned, whichever of **The Company** or the **GB Code User** who is initiating the de-commissioning must contact the other to arrange for the **Site Responsibility Schedule** to be amended at the relevant time.

# PROFORMA FOR SITE RESPONSIBILITY SCHEDULE

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SP TRANSMISSION Ltd SITE RESPONSIBILITY SCHEDULE OWNERSHIP, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS OF EQUIPMENT IN JOINT USER SITUATIONS Sheet No. Network Area: Revision: Date: SECTION 'A' BUILDING AND SITE SECTION 'B' CUSTOMER OR OTHER PARTY OWNER ACCESS REQUIRED: NAME -LESSEE MAINTENANCE SPECIAL CONDITIONS -ADDRESS: SAFETY TELNO-SECURITY LOCATION OF SUPPLY SUB STATION TERMINALS: LOCATION:-SECTION 'C' PLANT OPERATION MAINTENANCE FAULT INVESTIGATION TESTINO (TEM BAFETY RULE RELAY EQUIPMENT DENTIFICATION REMARKS OWNER Trip and Primery
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# Site Responsibility Schedule

Substation Type			Number:			Revision:			
Equipment	Owner	Controller	Maintainer	Responsible System User	Responsible Management Unit	Control Authority	Safety Rules	Operational Procedures	Notes
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# **APPENDIX 2 - OPERATION DIAGRAMS**

# PART 1A - PROCEDURES RELATING TO OPERATION DIAGRAMS

FIXED CAPACITOR	$\neq$	SWITCH DISCONNECTOR	   
EARTH	<u>_</u>		
EARTHING RESISTOR	ıl-vvv-	SWITCH DISCONNECTOR WITH INCORPORATED EARTH SWITCH	S
LIQUID EARTHING RESISTOR	<u> </u>	DISCONNECTOR (CENTRE ROTATING POST)	
ARC SUPPRESSION COIL			
FIXED MAINTENANCE EARTHING DEVI	CE   L	DISCONNECTOR (SINGLE BREAK DOUBLE ROTATING)	
CARRIER COUPLING EQUIPMENT (WITHOUT VT)	R&Y	DISCONNECTOR (SINGLE BREAK)	
CARRIER COUPLING EQUIPMENT (WITH VT ON ONE PHASE)	R&Y E	DISCONNECTOR (NON-INTERLOCKED)	NI
CARRIER COUPLING EQUIPMENT (WITH VT ON 3 PHASES)	R&Y E	DISCONNECTOR (POWER OPERATED) NA - NON-AUTOMATIC A - AUTOMATIC SO - SEQUENTIAL OPERATION FI - FAULT INTERFERING OPERATI	ON NA
AC GENERATOR	(G)	EARTH SWITCH	•
SYNCHRONOUS COMPENSATOR	SC		÷ -
CIRCUIT BREAKER	<u> </u>	FAULT THROWING SWITCH (PHASE TO PHASE)	   FT
CIRCUIT BREAKER WITH DELAYED AUTO RECLOSE	DAR	FAULT THROWING SWITCH (EARTH FAULT)	     FT
	I	SURGE ARRESTOR	•
WITHDRAWABLE METALCLAD SWITCHGEAR		THYRISTOR	*

TRANSFORMERS (VECTORS TO INDICATE WINDING CONFIGURATION)		* BUSBARS ======
		* OTHER PRIMARY CONNECTIONS —————
TWO WINDING		* CABLE & CABLE SEALING END
	$\downarrow$	* THROUGH WALL BUSHING
THREE WINDING		* BYPASS FACILITY
		* BIFAJJ FACILITI
AUTO		* CROSSING OF CONDUCTORS
AUTO UITU DELTA TEDTIADV		(LOWER CONDUCTOR — — — TO BE BROKEN)
AUTO WITH DELTA TERTIARY		l
EARTHING OR AUX. TRANSFORMER		
(-) INDICATE REMOTE SITE IF APPLICABLE	415v	
VOLTAGE TRANSFORMERS	' (-)	
SINGLE PHASE WOUND	v ———	
THREE PHASE WOUND		PREFERENTIAL ABBREVIATIONS
SINGLE PHASE CAPACITOR	y ( )	THE ENERTINE ADDRESSION
TWO SINGLE PHASE CAPACITOR	R&B (2) —	AUXILIARY TRANSFORMER Aux T EARTHING TRANSFORMER ET
THREE PHASE CAPACITOR		GAS TURBINE Gas T GENERATOR TRANSFORMER Gen T GRID TRANSFORMER Gr T
CURRENT TRANSFORMER (WHERE SEPARATE PRIMARY	•	SERIES REACTOR Ser Reac SHUNT REACTOR Sh Reac
APPARATUS)		STATION TRANSFORMER Stn T SUPERGRID TRANSFORMER SGT
COMBINED VT/CT UNIT FOR METERING		UNIT TRANSFORMER UT
REACTOR		* NON-STANDARD SYMBOL
NLACIUK	Y	* JUDIITE UNAUVIATE-VIUVI



DISCONNECTOR (PANTOGRAPH TYPE)



QUADRATURE BOOSTER



DISCONNECTOR (KNEE TYPE)



SHORTING/DISCHARGE SWITCH



CAPACITOR
(INCLUDING HARMONIC FILTER)



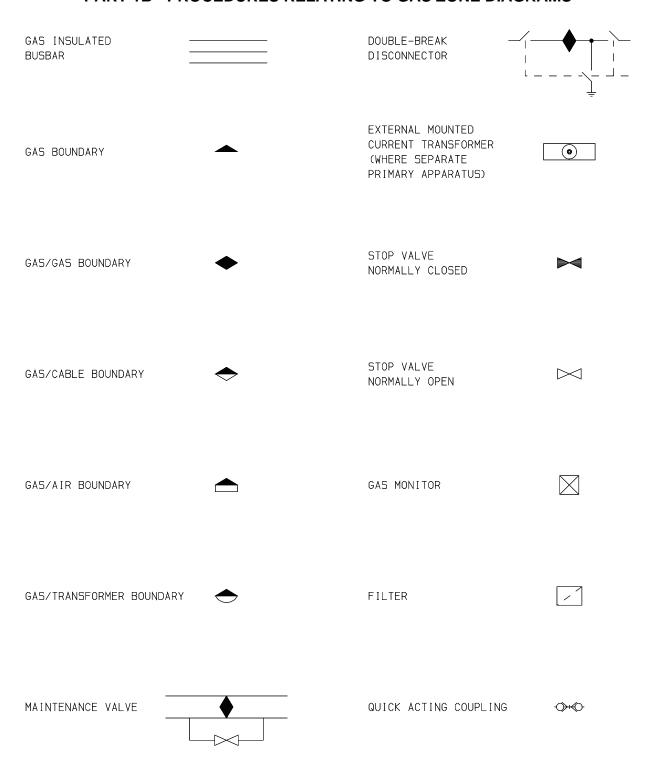
SINGLE PHASE TRANSFORMER (BR) NEUTRAL AND PHASE CONNECTIONS



RESISTOR WITH INHERENT NON-LINEAR VARIABILITY, VOLTAGE DEPENDANT



## PART 1B - PROCEDURES RELATING TO GAS ZONE DIAGRAMS



# PART 2 - NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF APPARATUS TO BE INCLUDED ON OPERATION DIAGRAMS

	Basic Principles
(1)	Where practicable, all the <b>HV Apparatus</b> on any <b>Connection Site</b> shall be shown on one <b>Operation Diagram</b> . Provided the clarity of the diagram is not impaired, the layout shall represent as closely as possible the geographical arrangement on the <b>Connection Site</b> .
(2)	Where more than one <b>Operation Diagram</b> is unavoidable, duplication of identical information on more than one <b>Operation Diagram</b> must be avoided.
(3)	The <b>Operation Diagram</b> must show accurately the current status of the <b>Apparatus</b> e.g. whether commissioned or decommissioned. Where decommissioned, the associated switchbay will be labelled "spare bay".
(4)	Provision will be made on the <b>Operation Diagram</b> for signifying approvals, together with provision for details of revisions and dates.
(5)	<b>Operation Diagrams</b> will be prepared in A4 format or such other format as may be agreed with <b>The Company</b> .
(6)	The <b>Operation Diagram</b> should normally be drawn single line. However, where appropriate, detail which applies to individual phases shall be shown. For example, some <b>HV Apparatus</b> is numbered individually per phase.
	Apparatus To Be Shown On Operation Diagram
(1)	Busbars
(2)	Circuit Breakers
(3)	Disconnector (Isolator) and Switch Disconnecters (Switching Isolators)
(4)	Disconnectors (Isolators) - Automatic Facilities
(5)	Bypass Facilities
(6)	Earthing Switches
(7)	Maintenance Earths
(8)	Overhead Line Entries
(9)	Overhead Line Traps
(10)	Cable and Cable Sealing Ends
(11)	Generating Unit
(12)	Generator Transformers
(13)	Generating Unit Transformers, Station Transformers, including the lower voltage circuit-breakers.
(14)	Synchronous Compensators
(15)	Static Variable Compensators
(16)	Capacitors (including Harmonic Filters)
(17)	Series or Shunt Reactors (Referred to as "Inductors" at nuclear power station sites)
(18)	Supergrid and Grid Transformers
(19)	Tertiary Windings

Earthing and Auxiliary Transformers

Three Phase VT's

(20)

(21)

(22)	Single Phase VT & Phase Identity
(23)	High Accuracy VT and Phase Identity
(24)	Surge Arrestors/Diverters
(25)	Neutral Earthing Arrangements on HV Plant
(26)	Fault Throwing Devices
(27)	Quadrature Boosters
(28)	Arc Suppression Coils
(29)	Single Phase Transformers (BR) Neutral and Phase Connections
(30)	Current Transformers (where separate plant items)
(31)	Wall Bushings
(32)	Combined VT/CT Units
(33)	Shorting and Discharge Switches
(34)	Thyristor
(35)	Resistor with Inherent Non-Linear Variability, Voltage Dependent
(36)	Gas Zone

## APPENDIX 3 - MINIMUM FREQUENCY RESPONSE REQUIREMENT PROFILE AND OPERATING RANGE FOR NEW POWER STATIONS AND DC CONVERTER STATIONS

#### CC.A.3.1 Scope

The **Frequency** response capability is defined in terms of **Primary Response**, **Secondary Response** and **High Frequency Response**. This appendix defines the minimum **Frequency** response requirement profile for:

- each Onshore Generating Unit and/or CCGT Module which has a Completion Date after 1 January 2001 in England and Wales and 1 April 2005 in Scotland and Offshore Generating Unit in a Large Power Station,
- (b) each DC Converter at a DC Converter Station which has a Completion Date on or after 1 April 2005 or each Offshore DC Converter which is part of a Large Power Station.
- (c) each **Onshore Power Park Module** in England and Wales with a **Completion Date** on or after 1 January 2006.
- (d) each Onshore Power Park Module in operation in Scotland after 1 January 2006 with a Completion Date after 1 April 2005 and in Power Stations with a Registered Capacity of 50MW or more.
- (e) each Offshore Power Park Module in a Large Power Station with a Registered Capacity of 50MW or more.

For the avoidance of doubt, this appendix does not apply to:

- (i) **Generating Units** and/or **CCGT Modules** which have a **Completion Date** before 1 January 2001 in England and Wales and before 1 April 2005 in Scotland,
- (ii) **DC Converters** at a **DC Converter Station** which have a **Completion Date** before 1 April 2005.
- (iii) **Power Park Modules** in England and Wales with a **Completion Date** before 1 January 2006.
- (iv) Power Park Modules in operation in Scotland before 1 January 2006.
- (v) **Power Park Modules** in Scotland with a **Completion Date** before 1 April 2005.
- (vi) Power Park Modules in Power Stations with a Registered Capacity less than 50MW.
- (vii) Small Power Stations or individually to Power Park Units; or.
- (viii) an OTSDUW DC Converter where the Interface Point Capacity is less than 50MW.

OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus should facilitate the delivery of Frequency response services provided by Offshore Generating Units and Offshore Power Park Modules at the Interface Point.

The functional definition provides appropriate performance criteria relating to the provision of **Frequency** control by means of **Frequency** sensitive generation in addition to the other requirements identified in CC.6.3.7.

In this Appendix 3 to the CC, for a CCGT Module or a Power Park Module with more than one Generating Unit, the phrase Minimum Generation applies to the entire CCGT Module or Power Park Module operating with all Generating Units Synchronised to the System.

The minimum **Frequency** response requirement profile is shown diagrammatically in Figure CC.A.3.1. The capability profile specifies the minimum required levels of **Primary Response**, **Secondary Response** and **High Frequency Response** throughout the normal plant operating range. The definitions of these **Frequency** response capabilities are illustrated diagrammatically in Figures CC.A.3.2 & CC.A.3.3.

#### CC.A.3.2 Plant Operating Range

The upper limit of the operating range is the **Registered Capacity** of the **Generating Unit** or **CCGT Module** or **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module**.

The Minimum Generation level may be less than, but must not be more than, 65% of the Registered Capacity. Each Generating Unit and/or CCGT Module and/or Power Park Module and/or DC Converter must be capable of operating satisfactorily down to the Designed Minimum Operating Level as dictated by System operating conditions, although it will not be instructed to below its Minimum Generation level. If a Generating Unit or CCGT Module or Power Park Module or DC Converter is operating below Minimum Generation because of high System Frequency, it should recover adequately to its Minimum Generation level as the System Frequency returns to Target Frequency so that it can provide Primary and Secondary Response from Minimum Generation if the System Frequency continues to fall. For the avoidance of doubt, under normal operating conditions steady state operation below Minimum Generation is not expected. The Designed Minimum Operating Level must not be more than 55% of Registered Capacity.

In the event of a **Generating Unit** or **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **DC Converter** load rejecting down to no less than its **Designed Minimum Operating Level** it should not trip as a result of automatic action as detailed in BC3.7. If the load rejection is to a level less than the **Designed Minimum Operating Level** then it is accepted that the condition might be so severe as to cause it to be disconnected from the **System**.

#### CC.A.3.3 <u>Minimum Frequency Response Requirement Profile</u>

Figure CC.A.3.1 shows the minimum Frequency response requirement profile diagrammatically for a 0.5 Hz change in Frequency. The percentage response capabilities and loading levels are defined on the basis of the Registered Capacity of the Generating Unit or CCGT Module or Power Park Module or DC Converter. Each Generating Unit and/or CCGT Module and/or Power Park Module and/or DC Converter must be capable of operating in a manner to provide Frequency response at least to the solid boundaries shown in the figure. If the Frequency response capability falls within the solid boundaries, the Generating Unit or CCGT Module or Power Park Module or DC Converter is providing response below the minimum requirement which is not acceptable. Nothing in this appendix is intended to prevent a Generating Unit or CCGT Module or Power Park Module or DC Converter from being designed to deliver a Frequency response in excess of the identified minimum requirement.

The **Frequency** response delivered for **Frequency** deviations of less than 0.5 Hz should be no less than a figure which is directly proportional to the minimum **Frequency** response requirement for a **Frequency** deviation of 0.5 Hz. For example, if the **Frequency** deviation is 0.2 Hz, the corresponding minimum **Frequency** response requirement is 40% of the level shown in Figure CC.A.3.1. The **Frequency** response delivered for **Frequency** deviations of more than 0.5 Hz should be no less than the response delivered for a **Frequency** deviation of 0.5 Hz.

Each Generating Unit and/or CCGT Module and/or Power Park Module and/or DC Converter must be capable of providing some response, in keeping with its specific operational characteristics, when operating between 95% to 100% of Registered Capacity as illustrated by the dotted lines in Figure CC.A.3.1.

At the Minimum Generation level, each Generating Unit and/or CCGT Module and/or Power Park Module and/or DC Converter is required to provide high and low frequency response depending on the System Frequency conditions. Where the Frequency is high, the Active Power output is therefore expected to fall below the Minimum Generation level.

The **Designed Minimum Operating Level** is the output at which a **Generating Unit** and/or **CCGT Module** and/or **Power Park Module** and/or **DC Converter** has no **High Frequency Response** capability. It may be less than, but must not be more than, 55% of the **Registered Capacity**. This implies that a **Generating Unit** or **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **DC Converter** is not obliged to reduce its output to below this level unless the **Frequency** is at or above 50.5 Hz (cf BC3.7).

#### CC.A.3.4 Testing of Frequency Response Capability

The response capabilities shown diagrammatically in Figure CC.A.3.1 are measured by taking the responses as obtained from some of the dynamic response tests specified by **The Company** and carried out by **GB Generators** and **DC Converter Station** owners for compliance purposes and to validate the content of **Ancillary Services Agreements** using an injection of a **Frequency** change to the plant control system (i.e. governor and load controller). The injected signal is a linear ramp from zero to 0.5 Hz **Frequency** change over a ten second period, and is sustained at 0.5 Hz **Frequency** change thereafter, as illustrated diagrammatically in figures CC.A.3.2 and CC.A.3.3. In the case of an **Embedded Medium Power Station** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** or **Embedded DC Converter Station** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**, **The Company** may require the **Network Operator** within whose **System** the **Embedded Medium Power Station** or **Embedded DC Converter Station** is situated, to ensure that the **Embedded Person** performs the dynamic response tests reasonably required by **The Company** in order to demonstrate compliance within the relevant requirements in the **CC**.

The **Primary Response** capability (P) of a **Generating Unit** or a **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **DC Converter** is the minimum increase in **Active Power** output between 10 and 30 seconds after the start of the ramp injection as illustrated diagrammatically in Figure CC.A.3.2. This increase in **Active Power** output should be released increasingly with time over the period 0 to 10 seconds from the time of the start of the **Frequency** fall as illustrated by the response from Figure CC.A.3.2.

The **Secondary Response** capability (S) of a **Generating Unit** or a **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **DC Converter** is the minimum increase in **Active Power** output between 30 seconds and 30 minutes after the start of the ramp injection as illustrated diagrammatically in Figure CC.A.3.2.

The **High Frequency Response** capability (H) of a **Generating Unit** or a **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **DC Converter** is the decrease in **Active Power** output provided 10 seconds after the start of the ramp injection and sustained thereafter as illustrated diagrammatically in Figure CC.A.3.3. This reduction in **Active Power** output should be released increasingly with time over the period 0 to 10 seconds from the time of the start of the **Frequency** rise as illustrated by the response in Figure CC.A.3.2.

#### CC.A.3.5 Repeatability Of Response

When a **Generating Unit** or **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **DC Converter** has responded to a significant **Frequency** disturbance, its response capability must be fully restored as soon as technically possible. Full response capability should be restored no later than 20 minutes after the initial change of **System Frequency** arising from the **Frequency** disturbance.

<u>Figure CC.A.3.1 - Minimum Frequency Response Requirement Profile for a 0.5 Hz frequency change from Target Frequency</u>

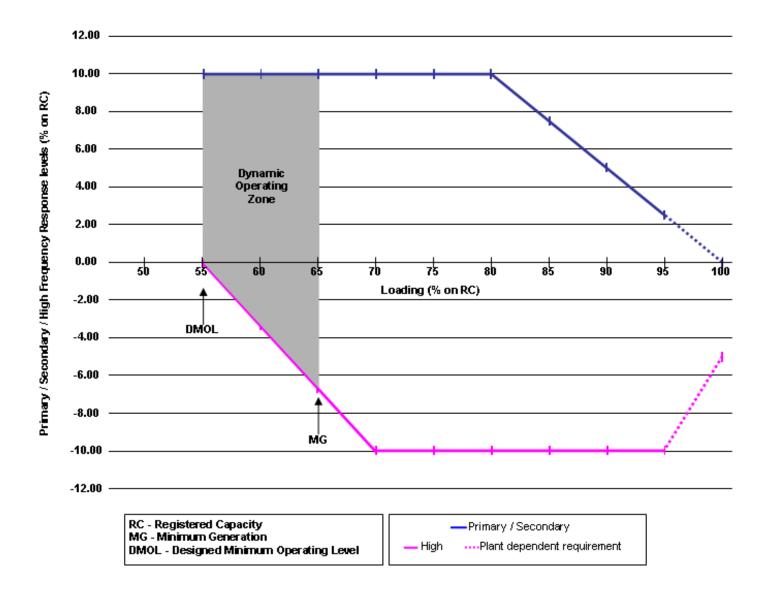


Figure CC.A.3.2 - Interpretation of Primary and Secondary Response Values

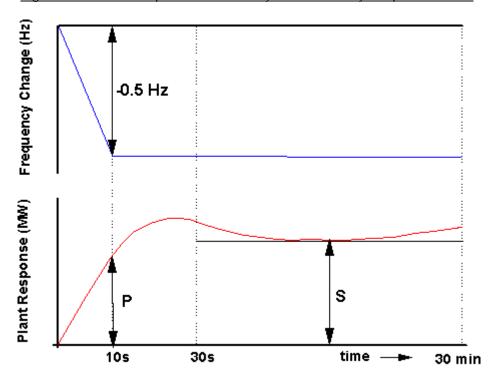
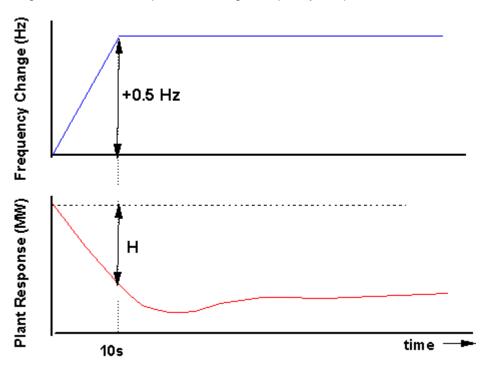


Figure CC.A.3.3 - Interpretation of High Frequency Response Values



#### APPENDIX 4 - FAULT RIDE THROUGH REQUIREMENTS

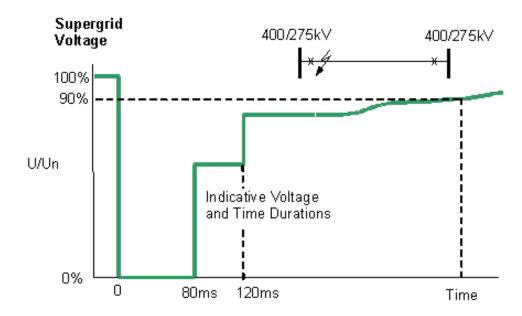
APPENDIX 4A - FAULT RIDE THROUGH REQUIREMENTS FOR ONSHORE SYNCHRONOUS GENERATING UNITS, ONSHORE POWER PARK MODULES, ONSHORE DC CONVERTERS OTSDUW PLANT AND APPARATUS AT THE INTERFACE POINT, OFFSHORE SYNCHRONOUS GENERATING UNITS IN A LARGE POWER STATION, OFFSHORE POWER PARK MODULES IN A LARGE POWER STATION AND OFFSHORE DC CONVERTERS IN A LARGE POWER STATION WHICH SELECT TO MEET THE FAULT RIDE THROUGH REQUIREMENTS AT THE INTERFACE POINT

#### CC.A.4A.1 Scope

The fault ride through requirement is defined in CC.6.3.15.1 (a), (b) and CC.6.3.15.3. This Appendix provides illustrations by way of examples only of CC.6.3.15.1 (a) (i) and further background and illustrations to CC.6.3.15.1 (1b) (i) and CC.6.3.15.1 (2b) (i) and is not intended to show all possible permutations.

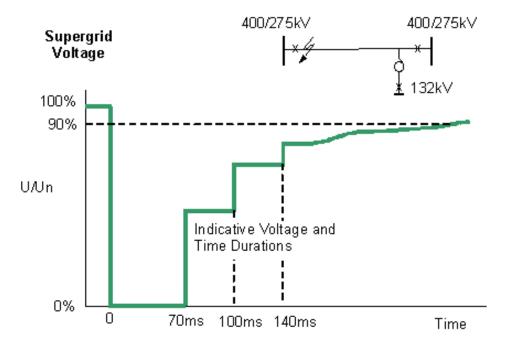
### CC.A.4A.2 Short Circuit Faults At Supergrid Voltage On The Onshore Transmission System Up To 140ms In Duration

For short circuit faults at **Supergrid Voltage** on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which could be at an **Interface Point**) up to 140ms in duration, the fault ride through requirement is defined in CC.6.3.15.1 (a) (i). Figures CC.A.4A.1 (a) and (b) illustrate two typical examples of voltage recovery for short-circuit faults cleared within 140ms by two circuit breakers (a) and three circuit breakers (b) respectively.



Typical fault cleared in less than 140ms: 2 ended circuit

Figure CC.A.4A.1 (a)



Typical fault cleared in 140ms:- 3 ended circuit

Figure CC.A.4A.1 (b)

CC.A.4A.3 <u>Supergrid Voltage Dips On The Onshore Transmission System Greater Than 140ms In Duration</u>

CC.A.4A3.1 Requirements applicable to **Synchronous Generating Units** subject to **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** greater than 140ms in duration.

For balanced **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** having durations greater than 140ms and up to 3 minutes, the fault ride through requirement is defined in CC.6.3.15.1 (1b) and Figure 5a which is reproduced in this Appendix as Figure CC.A.4A3.1 and termed the voltage—duration profile.

This profile is not a voltage-time response curve that would be obtained by plotting the transient voltage response at a point on the **Onshore Transmission System** (or **User System** if located **Onshore**) to a disturbance. Rather, each point on the profile (i.e. the heavy black line) represents a voltage level and an associated time duration which connected **Synchronous Generating Units** must withstand or ride through.

Figures CC.A.4A3.2 (a), (b) and (c) illustrate the meaning of the voltage-duration profile for voltage dips having durations greater than 140ms.

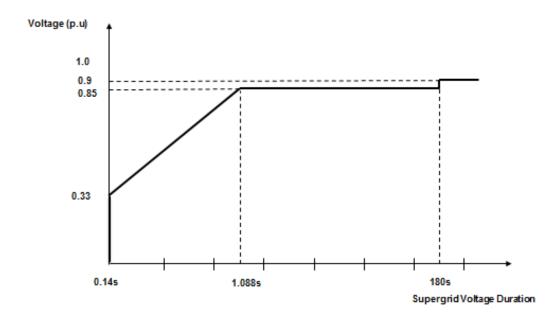
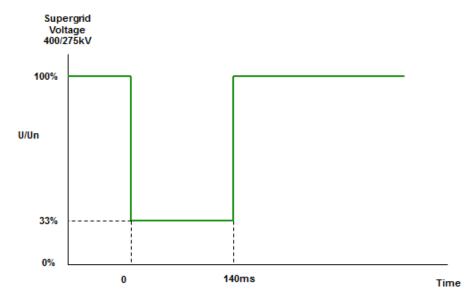
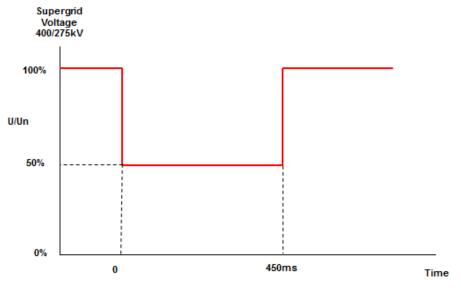


Figure CC.A.4A3.1



33% retained voltage, 140ms duration

Figure CC.A.4A3.2 (a)



50% retained voltage, 450ms duration

Figure CC.A.4A3.2 (b)

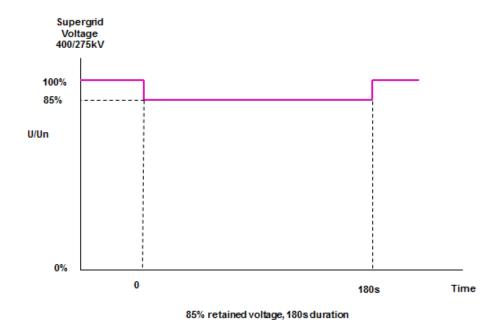


Figure CC.A.4A3.2 (c)

CC.A.4A3.2 Requirements applicable to **Power Park Modules** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** subject to **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** greater than 140ms in duration.

For balanced **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which could be at an **Interface Point**) having durations greater than 140ms and up to 3 minutes the fault ride through requirement is defined in CC.6.3.15.1 (2b) and Figure 5b which is reproduced in this Appendix as Figure CC.A.4A3.3 and termed the voltage—duration profile.

This profile is not a voltage-time response curve that would be obtained by plotting the transient voltage response at a point on the **Onshore Transmission System** (or **User System** if located **Onshore**) to a disturbance. Rather, each point on the profile (i.e. the heavy black line) represents a voltage level and an associated time duration which connected **Power Park Modules** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** must withstand or ride through.

Figures CC.A.4A.4 (a), (b) and (c) illustrate the meaning of the voltage-duration profile for voltage dips having durations greater than 140ms.

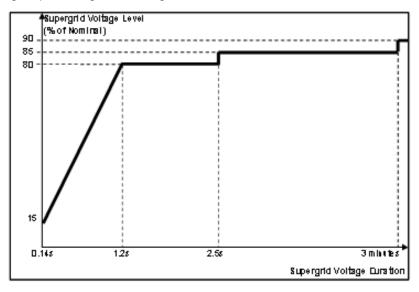
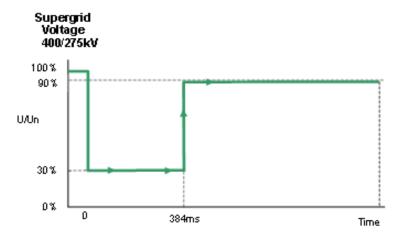
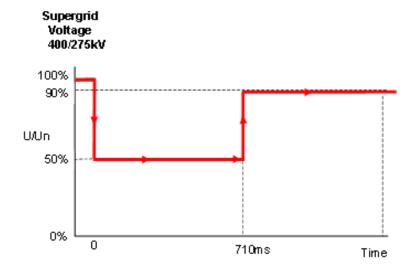


Figure CC.A.4A3.3



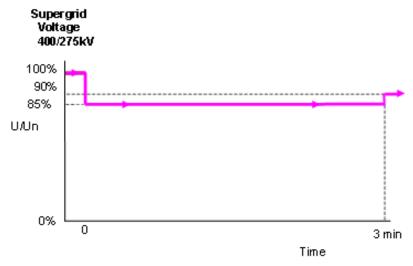
30% retained voltage, 384ms duration

Figure CC.A.4A3.4 (a)



50% retained voltage, 710ms duration

Figure CC.A.4A3.4 (b)



85% retained voltage, 3 minutes duration

Figure CC.A.4A3.4 (c)

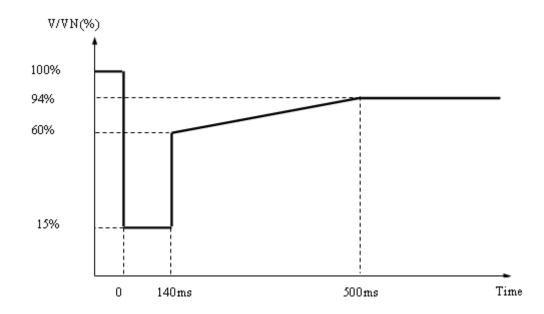
# APPENDIX 4B - FAULT RIDE THROUGH REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFSHORE GENERATING UNITS IN A LARGE POWER STATION, OFFSHORE POWER PARK MODULES IN A LARGE POWER STATION AND OFFSHORE DC CONVERTERS IN A LARGE POWER STATION WHICH SELECT TO MEET THE FAULT RIDE THROUGH REQUIREMENTS AT THE LV SIDE OF THE OFFSHORE PLATFORM AS SPECIFIED IN CC.6.3.15.2

#### CC.A.4B.1 Scope

The fault ride through requirement is defined in CC.6.3.15.2 (a), (b) and CC.6.3.15.3. This Appendix provides illustrations by way of examples only of CC.6.3.15.2 (a) (i) and further background and illustrations to CC.6.3.15.2 (1b) and CC.6.3.15.2 (2b) and is not intended to show all possible permutations.

#### CC.A.4B.2 <u>Voltage Dips On The LV Side Of The Offshore Platform Up To 140ms In Duration</u>

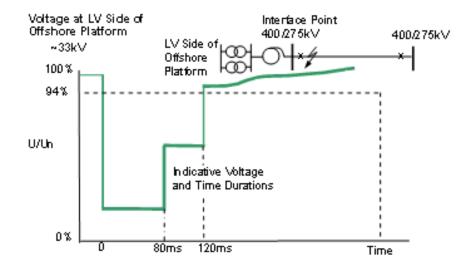
For voltage dips on the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform** which last up to 140ms in duration, the fault ride through requirement is defined in CC.6.3.15.2 (a) (i). This includes Figure 6 which is reproduced here in Figure CC.A.4B.1. The purpose of this requirement is to translate the conditions caused by a balanced or unbalanced fault which occurs on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which may include the **Interface Point)** at the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform**.



 $V/V_N$  is the ratio of the voltage at the **LV side of the Offshore Platform** to the nominal voltage of the LV side of the **Offshore Platform**.

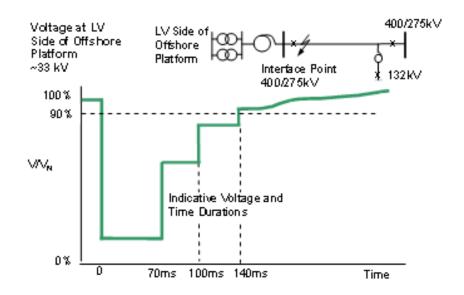
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Figures CC.A.4B.2 (a) and CC.A.4B.2 (b) illustrate two typical examples of the voltage recovery seen at the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform** for a short circuit fault cleared within 140ms by (a) two circuit breakers and (b) three circuit breakers on the **Onshore Transmission System**.



Typical fault cleared in less than 140ms: 2 ended circuit





Typical fault cleared in 140ms:- 3 ended circuit

Figure CC.A.4B.2 (b)

### CCA.4B.3 Voltage Dips Which Occur On The LV Side Of The Offshore Platform Greater Than 140ms In Duration

CC.A.4B.3.1 Requirements applicable to **Offshore Synchronous Generating Units** subject to voltage dips which occur on the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform** greater than 140ms in duration.

In addition to CC.A.4B.2 the fault ride through requirements applicable to **Offshore Synchronous Generating Units** during balanced voltage dips which occur at the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform** and having durations greater than 140ms and up to 3 minutes are defined in CC.6.3.15.2 (1b) and Figure 7a which is reproduced in this Appendix as Figure CC.A.4B3.1 and termed the voltage—duration profile.

This profile is not a voltage-time response curve that would be obtained by plotting the transient voltage response at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform to a disturbance. Rather, each point on the profile (i.e. the heavy black line) represents a voltage level and an associated time duration which connected Offshore Synchronous Generating Units must withstand or ride through.

Figures CC.A.4B3.2 (a), (b) and (c) illustrate the meaning of the voltage-duration profile for voltage dips having durations greater than 140ms.

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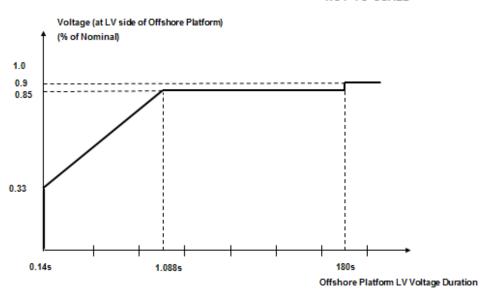


Figure CC.A.4B3.1

#### Voltage at LV Side of Offshore Platform

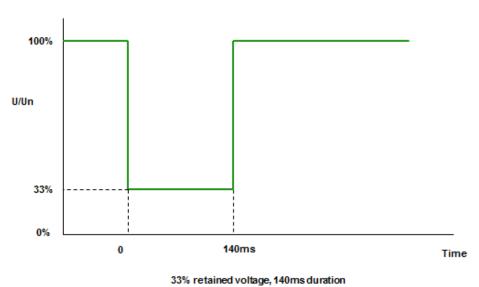
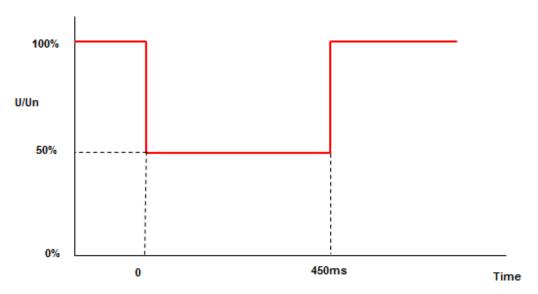


Figure CC.A.4B3.2 (a)





50% retained voltage, 450ms duration

Figure CC.A.4B3.2 (b)

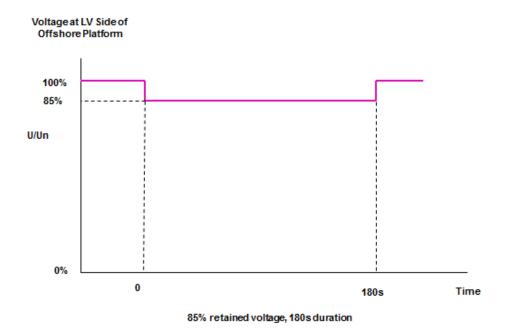


Figure CC.A.4B3.2 (c)

CC.A.4B.3.2 Requirements applicable to **Offshore Power Park Modules** subject to Voltage which occur on **The LV Side Of The Offshore Platform** greater than 140ms in duration.

In addition to CCA.4B.2 the fault ride through requirements applicable for **Offshore Power Park Modules** during balanced voltage dips which occur at the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform** and have durations greater than 140ms and up to 3 minutes are defined in CC.6.3.15.2 (2b) (i) and Figure 7b which is reproduced in this Appendix as Figure CC.A.4B.4 and termed the voltage—duration profile.

This profile is not a voltage-time response curve that would be obtained by plotting the transient voltage response at the LV Side of the Offshore Platform to a disturbance. Rather, each point on the profile (i.e. the heavy black line) represents a voltage level and an associated time duration which connected Offshore Power Park Modules must withstand or ride through.

Figures CC.A.4B.5 (a), (b) and (c) illustrate the meaning of the voltage-duration profile for voltage dips having durations greater than 140ms.

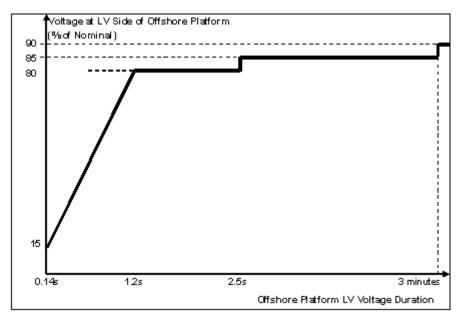
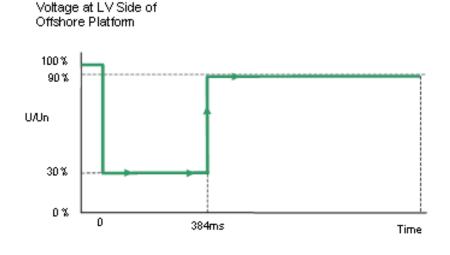
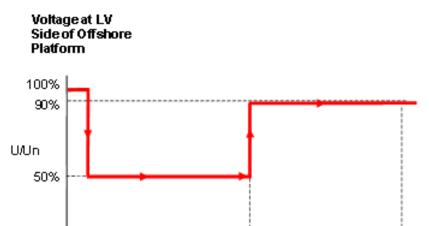


Figure CC.A.4B.4



 $30\,\%$  retained voltage , 384 ms duration

Figure CC.A.4B.5 (a)



50% retained voltage, 710ms duration

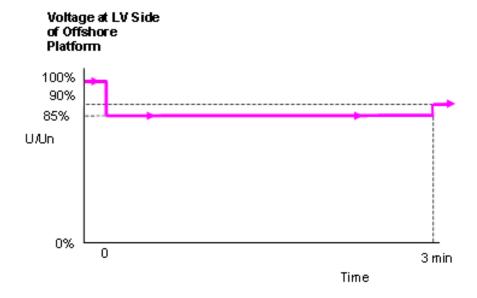
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Figure CC.A.4B.5(b)

710ms

Time



85% retained voltage, 3 minutes duration

Figure CC.A.4B.5(c)

# APPENDIX 5 - TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS LOW FREQUENCY RELAYS FOR THE AUTOMATIC DISCONNECTION OF SUPPLIES AT LOW FREQUENCY

#### CC.A.5.1 <u>Low Frequency Relays</u>

CC.A.5.1.1 The **Low Frequency Relays** to be used shall have a setting range of 47.0 to 50Hz and be suitable for operation from a nominal AC input of 63.5, 110 or 240V. The following general parameters specify the requirements of approved **Low Frequency Relays** for automatic installations installed and commissioned after 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007 and provide an indication, without prejudice to the provisions that may be included in a **Bilateral Agreement**, for those installed and commissioned before 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007:

(a) **Frequency** settings: 47-50Hz in steps of 0.05Hz or better, preferably 0.01Hz;

(b) Operating time: Relay operating time shall not be more than 150 ms;

(c) Voltage lock-out: Selectable within a range of 55 to 90% of nominal voltage;

(d) Facility stages: One or two stages of **Frequency** operation;

(e) Output contacts: Two output contacts per stage to be capable of repetitively

making and breaking for 1000 operations:

(f) Accuracy: 0.01 Hz maximum error under reference environmental and

system voltage conditions.

0.05 Hz maximum error at 8% of total harmonic distortion

**Electromagnetic Compatibility Level.** 

#### CC.A.5.2 Low Frequency Relay Voltage Supplies

CC.A.5.2.1 It is essential that the voltage supply to the **Low Frequency Relays** shall be derived from the primary **System** at the supply point concerned so that the **Frequency** of the **Low Frequency Relays** input voltage is the same as that of the primary **System**. This requires either:

- the use of a secure supply obtained from voltage transformers directly associated with the grid transformer(s) concerned, the supply being obtained where necessary via a suitable automatic voltage selection scheme; or
- (b) the use of the substation 240V phase-to-neutral selected auxiliary supply, provided that this supply is always derived at the supply point concerned and is never derived from a standby supply **Generating Unit** or from another part of the **User System**.

#### CC.A.5.3 Scheme Requirements

CC.A.5.3.1 The tripping facility should be engineered in accordance with the following reliability considerations:

#### (a) Dependability

Failure to trip at any one particular **Demand** shedding point would not harm the overall operation of the scheme. However, many failures would have the effect of reducing the amount of **Demand** under low **Frequency** control. An overall reasonable minimum requirement for the dependability of the **Demand** shedding scheme is 96%, i.e. the average probability of failure of each **Demand** shedding point should be less than 4%. Thus the **Demand** under low **Frequency** control will not be reduced by more than 4% due to relay failure.

#### (b) Outages

Low **Frequency Demand** shedding schemes will be engineered such that the amount of **Demand** under control is as specified in Table CC.A.5.5.1a and is not reduced unacceptably during equipment outage or maintenance conditions.

CC.A.5.3.2 The total operating time of the scheme, including circuit breakers operating time, shall where reasonably practicable, be less than 200ms. For the avoidance of doubt, the replacement of plant installed prior to October 2009 will not be required in order to achieve lower total scheme operating times.

#### CC.A.5.4 Low Frequency Relay Testing

CC.A.5.4.1 **Low Frequency Relays** installed and commissioned after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2007 shall be type tested in accordance with and comply with the functional test requirements for **Frequency Protection** contained in Energy Networks Association Technical Specification 48-6-5 Issue 1 dated 2005 "ENA **Protection** Assessment Functional Test Requirements – Voltage and Frequency **Protection**".

For the avoidance of doubt, **Low Frequency Relays** installed and commissioned before 1<sup>st</sup> January 2007 shall comply with the version of CC.A.5.1.1 applicable at the time such **Low Frequency Relays** were commissioned.

- CC.A.5.4.2 Each **Non-Embedded Customer** shall aim to execute testing on its low frequency demand disconnection relays installed within its network and in service at least once every three years, although this may be extended to no more than every five years if considered to be required for operational purposes.
- CC.A.5.4.3 Each **Network Operator** and **Relevant Transmission Licensee** shall aim to execute testing on its low frequency demand disconnection relays installed within its network and in service at least once every three years, although this may be extended to no more than every five years if considered to be required for operational purposes.

#### CC.A.5.5 Scheme Settings

CC.A.5.5.1 Table CC.A.5.5.1a shows, for each **Transmission Area**, the percentage of **Demand** (based on **Annual ACS Conditions**) at the time of forecast **National Electricity Transmission System** peak **Demand** that each **Network Operator** whose **System** is connected to the **Onshore Transmission System** within such **Transmission Area** shall disconnect by **Low Frequency Relays** at a range of frequencies. Where a **Network Operator's System** is connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** in more than one **Transmission Area**, the settings for the **Transmission Area** in which the majority of the **Demand** is connected shall apply.

Frequency Hz	% Demand disconnection for each Network Operator in Transmission Area		
	NGET	SPT	SHETL
48.8	5		
48.75	5		
48.7	10		
48.6	7.5		10
48.5	7.5	10	
48.4	7.5	10	10
48.2	7.5	10	10
48.0	5	10	10
47.8	5		
Total % <b>Demand</b>	60	40	40

Table CC.A.5.5.1a

Note – the percentages in table CC.A.5.5.1a are cumulative such that, for example, should the frequency fall to 48.6 Hz in the **NGET Transmission Area**, 27.5% of the total **Demand** connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** in the **NGET Transmission Area** shall be disconnected by the action of **Low Frequency Relays**.

The percentage **Demand** at each stage shall be allocated as far as reasonably practicable. The cumulative total percentage **Demand** is a minimum.

CC.A.5.5.2 During **System Restoration**, the **Total System** may be operated outside of **Licence Standards** as provided for in OC9.4.3. During such periods, on or after 31 December 2026, **Transmission Licensees** in accordance with the requirements of the **STC**, **Network Operators** and **Non-Embedded Customers** shall have the remote capability to inhibit and restore the operation of their **Low Frequency Relays** upon instruction from **The Company** as provided for in OC9.5.7(a).

# APPENDIX 6 - PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINUOUSLY ACTING AUTOMATIC EXCITATION CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR ONSHORE SYNCHRONOUS GENERATING UNITS

#### CC.A.6.1 Scope

- CC.A.6.1.1 This Appendix sets out the performance requirements of continuously acting automatic excitation control systems for **Onshore Synchronous Generating Units** that must be complied with by the **GB Code User**. This Appendix does not limit any site specific requirements that may be included in a **Bilateral Agreement** where in **The Company's** reasonable opinion these facilities are necessary for system reasons.
- CC.A.6.1.2 Where the requirements may vary the likely range of variation is given in this Appendix. It may be necessary to specify values outside this range where **The Company** identifies a system need, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary **The Company** may specify in the **Bilateral Agreement** values outside of the ranges provided in this Appendix 6. The most common variations are in the on-load excitation ceiling voltage requirements and the response time required of the **Exciter**. Actual values will be included in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- CC.A.6.1.3 Should a **GB Generator** anticipate making a change to the excitation control system it shall notify **The Company** under the **Planning Code** (PC.A.1.2(b) and (c)) as soon as the **GB Generator** anticipates making the change. The change may require a revision to the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- CC.A.6.2 Requirements
- CC.A.6.2.1 The Excitation System of an Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit shall include an excitation source (Exciter), a Power System Stabiliser and a continuously acting Automatic Voltage Regulator (AVR) and shall meet the following functional specification.
- CC.A.6.2.2 In respect of **Onshore Synchronous Generating Units** with a **Completion Date** on or after 1 January 2009, and **Onshore Synchronous Generating Units** with a **Completion Date** before 1 January 2009 subject to a **Modification** to the excitation control facilities where the **Bilateral Agreement** does not specify otherwise, the continuously acting automatic excitation control system shall include a **Power System Stabiliser (PSS)** as a means of supplementary control. The functional specification of the **Power System Stabiliser** is included in CC.A.6.2.5.
- CC.A.6.2.3 Steady State Voltage Control
- CC.A.6.2.3.1 An accurate steady state control of the **Onshore Generating Unit** pre-set terminal voltage is required. As a measure of the accuracy of the steady-state voltage control, the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** shall have static zero frequency gain, sufficient to limit the change in terminal voltage to a drop not exceeding 0.5% of rated terminal voltage, when the **Onshore Generating Unit** output is gradually changed from zero to rated MVA output at rated voltage, **Active Power** and **Frequency**.
- CC.A.6.2.4 <u>Transient Voltage Control</u>
- CC.A.6.2.4.1 For a step change from 90% to 100% of the nominal **Onshore Generating Unit** terminal voltage, with the **Onshore Generating Unit** on open circuit, the **Excitation System** response shall have a damped oscillatory characteristic. For this characteristic, the time for the **Onshore Generating Unit** terminal voltage to first reach 100% shall be less than 0.6 seconds. Also, the time to settle within 5% of the voltage change shall be less than 3 seconds.

- CC.A.6.2.4.2 To ensure that adequate synchronising power is maintained, when the **Onshore Generating**Unit is subjected to a large voltage disturbance, the **Exciter** whose output is varied by the 
  Automatic Voltage Regulator shall be capable of providing its achievable upper and lower 
  limit ceiling voltages to the **Onshore Generating Unit** field in a time not exceeding that 
  specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**. This will normally be not less than 50ms and not greater 
  than 300ms. The achievable upper and lower limit ceiling voltages may be dependent on the 
  voltage disturbance.
- CC.A.6.2.4.3 The Exciter shall be capable of attaining an Excitation System On Load Positive Ceiling Voltage of not less than a value specified in the Bilateral Agreement that will be:

not less than 2 per unit (pu)

normally not greater than 3 pu

exceptionally up to 4 pu

of **Rated Field Voltage** when responding to a sudden drop in voltage of 10 percent or more at the **Onshore Generating Unit** terminals. **The Company** may specify a value outside the above limits where **The Company** identifies a **System** need.

- CC.A.6.2.4.4 If a static type **Exciter** is employed:
  - (i) the field voltage should be capable of attaining a negative ceiling level specified in the Bilateral Agreement after the removal of the step disturbance of CC.A.6.2.4.3. The specified value will be 80% of the value specified in CC.A.6.2.4.3. The Company may specify a value outside the above limits where The Company identifies a system need.
  - (ii) the Exciter must be capable of maintaining free firing when the Onshore Generating Unit terminal voltage is depressed to a level which may be between 20% to 30% of rated terminal voltage
  - (iii) the Exciter shall be capable of attaining a positive ceiling voltage not less than 80% of the Excitation System On Load Positive Ceiling Voltage upon recovery of the Onshore Generating Unit terminal voltage to 80% of rated terminal voltage following fault clearance. The Company may specify a value outside the above limits where The Company identifies a system need.
  - (iv) The requirement to provide a separate power source for the **Exciter** will be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** if **The Company**, in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, identifies a **Transmission System** need.
- CC.A.6.2.5 Power Oscillations Damping Control
- CC.A.6.2.5.1 To allow the **Onshore Generating Unit** to maintain second and subsequent swing stability and also to ensure an adequate level of low frequency electrical damping power, the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** shall include a **Power System Stabiliser** as a means of supplementary control.
- CC.A.6.2.5.2 Whatever supplementary control signal is employed, it shall be of the type which operates into the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** to cause the field voltage to act in a manner which results in the damping power being improved while maintaining adequate synchronising power.
- CC.A.6.2.5.3 The arrangements for the supplementary control signal shall ensure that the **Power System Stabiliser** output signal relates only to changes in the supplementary control signal and not the steady state level of the signal. For example, if generator electrical power output is chosen as a supplementary control signal then the **Power System Stabiliser** output should relate only to changes in generator electrical power output and not the steady state level of power output. Additionally the **Power System Stabiliser** should not react to mechanical power changes in isolation for example during rapid changes in steady state load or when providing frequency response.
- CC.A.6.2.5.4 The output signal from the **Power System Stabiliser** shall be limited to not more than ±10% of the **Onshore Generating Unit** terminal voltage signal at the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** input. The gain of the **Power System Stabiliser** shall be such that an increase in the gain by a factor of 3 shall not cause instability.

- CC.A.6.2.5.5 The **Power System Stabiliser** shall include elements that limit the bandwidth of the output signal. The bandwidth limiting must ensure that the highest frequency of response cannot excite torsional oscillations on other plant connected to the network. A bandwidth of 0-5Hz would be judged to be acceptable for this application.
- CC.A.6.2.5.6 The **GB Generator** will agree **Power System Stabiliser** settings with **The Company**, in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** prior to the on-load commissioning detailed in BC2.11.2(d). To allow assessment of the performance before on-load commissioning the **GB Generator** will provide to **The Company** a report covering the areas specified in CP.A.3.2.1.
- CC.A.6.2.5.7 The **Power System Stabiliser** must be active within the **Excitation System** at all times when **Synchronised** including when the **Under Excitation Limiter** or **Over Excitation Limiter** are active. When operating at low load when **Synchronising** or **De-Synchronising** an **Onshore Generating Unit**, the **Power System Stabiliser** may be out of service.
- CC.A.6.2.5.8 Where a **Power System Stabiliser** is fitted to a **Pumped Storage Unit** it must function when the **Pumped Storage Unit** is in both generating and pumping modes.
- CC.A.6.2.6 Overall Excitation System Control Characteristics
- CC.A.6.2.6.1 The overall **Excitation System** shall include elements that limit the bandwidth of the output signal. The bandwidth limiting must be consistent with the speed of response requirements and ensure that the highest frequency of response cannot excite torsional oscillations on other plant connected to the network. A bandwidth of 0-5 Hz will be judged to be acceptable for this application.
- CC.A.6.2.6.2 The response of the Automatic Voltage Regulator combined with the Power System Stabiliser shall be demonstrated by injecting similar step signal disturbances into the Automatic Voltage Regulator reference as detailed in OC5A.2.2 and OC5.A.2.4. The Automatic Voltage Regulator shall include a facility to allow step injections into the Automatic Voltage Regulator voltage reference, with the Onshore Generating Unit operating at points specified by The Company (up to rated MVA output). The damping shall be judged to be adequate if the corresponding Active Power response to the disturbances decays within two cycles of oscillation.
- CC.A.6.2.6.3 A facility to inject a band limited random noise signal into the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** voltage reference shall be provided for demonstrating the frequency domain response of the **Power System Stabiliser**. The tuning of the **Power System Stabiliser** shall be judged to be adequate if the corresponding **Active Power** response shows improved damping with the **Power System Stabiliser** in combination with the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** compared with the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** alone over the frequency range 0.3Hz 2Hz.
- CC.A.6.2.7 Under-Excitation Limiters
- CC.A.6.2.7.1 The security of the power system shall also be safeguarded by means of MVAr Under Excitation Limiters fitted to the generator Excitation System. The Under Excitation Limiter shall prevent the Automatic Voltage Regulator reducing the generator excitation to a level which would endanger synchronous stability. The Under Excitation Limiter shall operate when the excitation system is providing automatic control. The Under Excitation Limiter shall respond to changes in the Active Power (MW) and the Reactive Power (MVAr), and to the square of the generator voltage in such a direction that an increase in voltage will permit an increase in leading MVAr. The characteristic of the Under Excitation Limiter shall be substantially linear from no-load to the maximum Active Power output of the Onshore Generating Unit at any setting and shall be readily adjustable.

- CC.A.6.2.7.2 The performance of the **Under Excitation Limiter** shall be independent of the rate of change of the **Onshore Generating Unit** load and shall be demonstrated by testing as detailed in OC5.A.2.5. The resulting maximum overshoot in response to a step injection which operates the **Under Excitation Limiter** shall not exceed 4% of the **Onshore Generating Unit** rated MVA. The operating point of the **Onshore Generating Unit** shall be returned to a steady state value at the limit line and the final settling time shall not be greater than 5 seconds. When the step change in **Automatic Voltage Regulator** reference voltage is reversed, the field voltage should begin to respond without any delay and should not be held down by the **Under Excitation Limiter**. Operation into or out of the preset limit levels shall ensure that any resultant oscillations are damped so that the disturbance is within 0.5% of the **Onshore Generating Unit** MVA rating within a period of 5 seconds.
- CC.A.6.2.7.3 The **GB Generator** shall also make provision to prevent the reduction of the **Onshore Generating Unit** excitation to a level which would endanger synchronous stability when the **Excitation System** is under manual control.
- CC.A.6.2.8 Over-Excitation Limiters
- CC.A.6.2.8.1 The settings of the **Over-Excitation Limiter**, where it exists, shall ensure that the **Generating Unit's** excitation is not limited to less than the maximum value that can be achieved whilst ensuring the **Onshore Generating Unit** is operating within its design limits. If the **Generating Unit's** excitation is reduced following a period of operation at a high level, the rate of reduction shall not exceed that required to remain within any time dependent operating characteristics of the **Onshore Generating Unit**.
- CC.A.6.2.8.2 The performance of the **Over-Excitation Limiter**, where it exists, shall be demonstrated by testing as described in OC5.A.2.6. Any operation beyond the **Over-Excitation Limit** shall be controlled by the **Over-Excitation Limiter** without the operation of any **Protection** that could trip the **Onshore Generating Unit**.
- CC.A.6.2.8.3 The **GB Generator** shall also make provision to prevent any over-excitation restriction of the generator when the **Excitation System** is under manual control, other than that necessary to ensure the **Onshore Generating Unit** is operating within its design limits.

# APPENDIX 7 - PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINUOUSLY ACTING AUTOMATIC VOLTAGE CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR ONSHORE NON-SYNCHRONOUS GENERATING UNITS, ONSHORE DC CONVERTERS, ONSHORE POWER PARK MODULES AND OTSDUW PLANT AND APPARATUS AT THE INTERFACE POINT

#### CC.A.7.1 Scope

- CC.A.7.1.1 This Appendix sets out the performance requirements of continuously acting automatic voltage control systems for Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units, Onshore DC Converters, Onshore Power Park Modules and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point that must be complied with by the GB Code User. This Appendix does not limit any site specific requirements that may be included in a Bilateral Agreement where in The Company's reasonable opinion these facilities are necessary for system reasons.
- CC.A.7.1.2 Proposals by **GB Generators** to make a change to the voltage control systems are required to be notified to **The Company** under the **Planning Code** (PC.A.1.2(b) and (c)) as soon as the **GB Generator** anticipates making the change. The change may require a revision to the **Bilateral Agreement**.

#### CC.A.7.2 Requirements

CC.A.7.2.1 The Company requires that the continuously acting automatic voltage control system for the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter or Onshore Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall meet the following functional performance specification. If a Network Operator has confirmed to The Company that its network to which an Embedded Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, Onshore Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus is connected is restricted such that the full reactive range under the steady state voltage control requirements (CC.A.7.2.2) cannot be utilised, The Company may specify in the Bilateral Agreement alternative limits to the steady state voltage control range that reflect these restrictions. Where the Network Operator subsequently notifies The Company that such restriction has been removed, The Company may propose a Modification to the Bilateral Agreement (in accordance with the CUSC contract) to remove the alternative limits such that the continuously acting automatic voltage control system meets the following functional performance specification. All other requirements of the voltage control system will remain as in this Appendix.

#### CC.A.7.2.2 Steady State Voltage Control

CC.A.7.2.2.1 The Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, Onshore Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall provide continuous steady state control of the voltage at the Onshore Grid Entry Point (or Onshore User System Entry Point if Embedded) (or the Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) with a Setpoint Voltage and Slope characteristic as illustrated in Figure CC.A.7.2.2a. It should be noted that where the Reactive Power capability requirement of a directly connected Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, Onshore Power Park Module in Scotland, or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus in Scotland as specified in CC.6.3.2 (c), is not at the Onshore Grid Entry Point or Interface Point, the values of Qmin and Qmax shown in this figure will be as modified by the 33/132kV or 33/275kV or 33/400kV transformer.

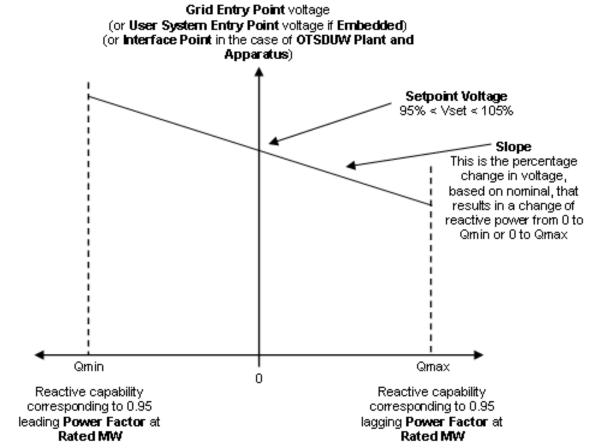


Figure CC.A.7.2.2a

CC.A.7.2.2.2 The continuously acting automatic control system shall be capable of operating to a **Setpoint Voltage** between 95% and 105% with a resolution of 0.25% of the nominal voltage. For the avoidance of doubt, values of 95%, 95.25%, 95.5% ... may be specified, but not intermediate values. The initial **Setpoint Voltage** will be 100%. The tolerance within which this **Setpoint Voltage** shall be achieved is specified in BC2.A.2.6. For the avoidance of doubt, with a tolerance of 0.25% and a **Setpoint Voltage** of 100%, the achieved value shall be between 99.75% and 100.25%. **The Company** may request the **GB Generator** to implement an alternative **Setpoint Voltage** within the range of 95% to 105%. For **Embedded GB Generators** the **Setpoint Voltage** will be discussed between **The Company** and the relevant **Network Operator** and will be specified to ensure consistency with CC.6.3.4.

CC.A.7.2.2.3 The **Slope** characteristic of the continuously acting automatic control system shall be adjustable over the range 2% to 7% (with a resolution of 0.5%). For the avoidance of doubt values of 2%, 2.5%, 3% may be specified, but not intermediate values. The initial **Slope** setting will be 4%. The tolerance within which this **Slope** shall be achieved is specified in BC2.A.2.6. For the avoidance of doubt, with a tolerance of 0.5% and a **Slope** setting of 4%, the achieved value shall be between 3.5% and 4.5%. **The Company** may request the **GB Generator** to implement an alternative slope setting within the range of 2% to 7%. For **Embedded GB Generators** the **Slope** setting will be discussed between **The Company** and the relevant **Network Operator** and will be specified to ensure consistency with CC.6.3.4.

#### Grid Entry Point voltage (or User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded) (or Interface Point in the case of an OTSDUW)

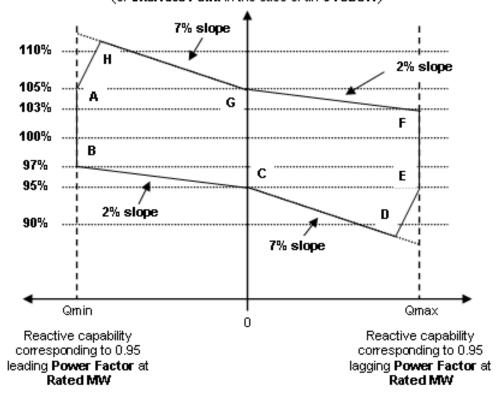
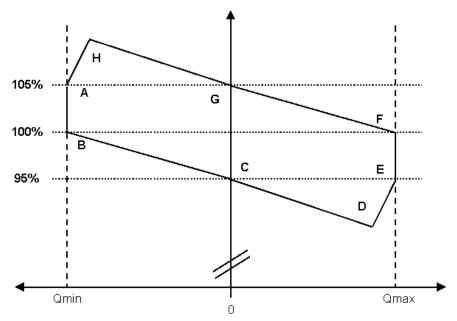


Figure CC.A.7.2.2b

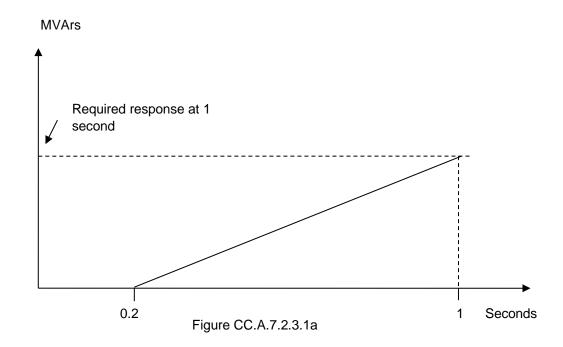
#### Onshore Grid Entry Point voltage (or Onshore User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded) Connections at 33kV and below



- CC.A.7.2.24 Figure CC.A.7.2.2b shows the required envelope of operation for Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units, Onshore DC Converters, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and Onshore Power Park Modules except for those Embedded at 33kV and below or directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System at 33kV and below. Figure CC.A.7.2.2c shows the required envelope of operation for Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units, Onshore DC Converters and Onshore Power Park Modules Embedded at 33kV and below or directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System at 33kV and below. Where the Reactive Power capability requirement of a directly connected Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module in Scotland, as specified in CC.6.3.2 (c), is not at the Onshore Grid Entry Point or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, the values of Qmin and Qmax shown in this figure will be as modified by the 33/132kV or 33/275kV or 33/400kV transformer. The enclosed area within points ABCDEFGH is the required capability range within which the Slope and Setpoint Voltage can be changed.
- CC.A.7.2.2.5 Should the operating point of the **Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit**, **Onshore DC Converter**, **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** or **Onshore Power Park Module** deviate so that it is no longer a point on the operating characteristic (figure CC.A.7.2.2a) defined by the target **Setpoint Voltage** and **Slope**, the continuously acting automatic voltage control system shall act progressively to return the value to a point on the required characteristic within 5 seconds.
- CC.A.7.2.2.6 Should the Reactive Power output of the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module reach its maximum lagging limit at an Onshore Grid Entry Point voltage (or Onshore User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) above 95%, the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module shall maintain maximum lagging Reactive Power output for voltage reductions down to 95%. This requirement is indicated by the line EF in figures CC.A.7.2.2b and CC.A.7.2.2c. Should the Reactive Power output of the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module reach its maximum leading limit at an Onshore Grid Entry Point voltage (or Onshore User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) below 105%, the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module shall maintain maximum leading Reactive Power output for voltage increases up to 105%. This requirement is indicated by the line AB in figures CC.A.7.2.2b and CC.A.7.2.2c.

- CC.A.7.2.2.7 For Onshore Grid Entry Point voltages (or Onshore User System Entry Point voltages if Embedded or Interface Point voltages) below 95%, the lagging Reactive Power capability of the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module should be that which results from the supply of maximum lagging reactive current whilst ensuring the current remains within design operating limits. An example of the capability is shown by the line DE in figures CC.A.7.2.2b and CC.A.7.2.2c. For Onshore Grid Entry Point voltages (or User System Entry Point voltages if Embedded or Interface Point voltages) above 105%, the leading Reactive Power capability of the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit. Onshore DC Converter. OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module should be that which results from the supply of maximum leading reactive current whilst ensuring the current remains within design operating limits. An example of the capability is shown by the line AH in figures CC.A.7.2.2b and CC.A.7.2.2c. Should the Reactive Power output of the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module reach its maximum lagging limit at an Onshore Grid Entry Point voltage (or Onshore User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) below 95%, the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter or Onshore Power Park **Module** shall maintain maximum lagging reactive current output for further voltage decreases. Should the Reactive Power output of the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module reach its maximum leading limit at a Onshore Grid Entry Point voltage (or User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded or Interface Point voltage in the case of an OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) above 105%, the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module shall maintain maximum leading reactive current output for further voltage increases.
- CC.A.7.2.2.8 All **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** must be capable of enabling **GB Code Users** undertaking **OTSDUW** to comply with an instruction received from **The Company** relating to a variation of the **Setpoint Voltage** at the **Interface Point** within 2 minutes of such instruction being received.
- CC.A.7.2.2.9 For **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** connected to a **Network Operator's System** where the **Network Operator** has confirmed to **The Company** that its **System** is restricted in accordance with CC.A.7.2.1, clause CC.A.7.2.2.8 will not apply unless **The Company** can reasonably demonstrate that the magnitude of the available change in **Reactive Power** has a significant effect on voltage levels on the **Onshore National Electricity Transmission System**.
- CC.A.7.2.3 <u>Transient Voltage Control</u>
- CC.A.7.2.3.1 For an on-load step change in **Onshore Grid Entry Point** or **Onshore User System Entry Point** voltage, or in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** an on-load step change in **Transmission Interface Point** voltage, the continuously acting automatic control system shall respond according to the following minimum criteria:
  - (i) the Reactive Power output response of the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module shall commence within 0.2 seconds of the application of the step. It shall progress linearly although variations from a linear characteristic shall be acceptable provided that the MVAr seconds delivered at any time up to 1 second are at least those that would result from the response shown in figure CC.A.7.2.3.1a.
  - (ii) the response shall be such that 90% of the change in the Reactive Power output of the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module, will be achieved within
    - 1 second, where the step is sufficiently large to require a change in the steady state Reactive Power output from zero to its maximum leading value or maximum lagging value, as required by CC.6.3.2 (or, if appropriate, CC.A.7.2.2.6 or CC.A.7.2.2.7); and

- 2 seconds, for Plant and Apparatus installed on or after 1 December 2017, where the step is sufficiently large to require a change in the steady state Reactive Power output from its maximum leading value to its maximum lagging value or vice versa.
- (iii) the magnitude of the **Reactive Power** output response produced within 1 second shall vary linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the step change.
- (iv) within 2 seconds from achieving 90% of the response as defined in CC.A.7.2.3.1 (ii), the peak to peak magnitude of any oscillations shall be less than 5% of the change in steady state Reactive Power.
- (v) following the transient response, the conditions of CC.A.7.2.2 apply.



### CC.A.7.2.3.2 An Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module installed on or after 1 December 2017 shall be capable of;

- (a) changing its **Reactive Power** output from its maximum lagging value to its maximum leading value, or vice versa, then reverting back to the initial level of **Reactive Power** output once every 15 seconds for at least 5 times within any 5 minute period; and
- (b) changing its Reactive Power output from zero to its maximum leading value then reverting back to zero Reactive Power output at least 25 times within any 24 hour period and from zero to its maximum lagging value then reverting back to zero Reactive Power output at least 25 times within any 24 hour period. Any subsequent restriction on reactive capability shall be notified to The Company in accordance with BC2.5.3.2, and BC2.6.1.

In all cases, the response shall be in accordance to CC.A.7.2.3.1 where the change in Reactive Power output is in response to an on-load step change in Onshore Grid Entry Point or Onshore User System Entry Point voltage, or in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus an on-load step change in Transmission Interface Point voltage.

#### CC.A.7.2.4 Power Oscillation Damping

- CC.A.7.2.4.1 The requirement for the continuously acting voltage control system to be fitted with a **Power System Stabiliser (PSS)** shall be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** if, in **The Company's** view, this is required for system reasons. However if a **Power System Stabiliser** is included in the voltage control system its settings and performance shall be agreed with **The Company** and commissioned in accordance with BC2.11.2. To allow assessment of the performance before on-load commissioning the **GB Generator** will provide to **The Company** a report covering the areas specified in CP.A.3.2.2.
- CC.A.7.2.5 Overall Voltage Control System Characteristics
- CC.A.7.2.5.1 The continuously acting automatic voltage control system is required to respond to minor variations, steps, gradual changes or major variations in **Onshore Grid Entry Point** voltage (or **Onshore User System Entry Point** voltage if **Embedded** or **Interface Point** voltage in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**).
- CC.A.7.2.5.2 The overall voltage control system shall include elements that limit the bandwidth of the output signal. The bandwidth limiting must be consistent with the speed of response requirements and ensure that the highest frequency of response cannot excite torsional oscillations on other plant connected to the network. A bandwidth of 0-5Hz would be judged to be acceptable for this application. All other control systems employed within the Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, Onshore DC Converter, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module should also meet this requirement
- CC.A.7.2.5.3 The response of the voltage control system (including the **Power System Stabiliser** if employed) shall be demonstrated by testing in accordance with OC5A.A.3.

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#### **EUROPEAN CONNECTION CONDITIONS**

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#### ECC.1 INTRODUCTION

#### ECC.1.1 The European Connection Conditions ("ECC") specify both:

- (a) the minimum technical, design and operational criteria which must be complied with by:
  - (i) any **EU Code User** connected to or seeking connection with the **National Electricity Transmission System**, or
  - (ii) **EU Generators** or **HVDC System Owners** connected to or seeking connection to a **User's System** which is located in **Great Britain** or **Offshore**, or
  - (iii) Network Operators who are EU Code Users
  - (iv) Network Operators who are GB Code Users but only in respect of:-
    - (a) Their obligations in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** for whom the requirements of ECC.3.1(b)(iii) apply alone; and/or
    - (b) The requirements of this ECC only in relation to each EU Grid Supply Point. Network Operators in respect of all other Grid Supply Points should continue to satisfy the requirements as specified in the CCs.
  - (v) Non-Embedded Customers who are EU Code Users
- (b) the minimum technical, design and operational criteria with which The Company will comply in relation to the part of the National Electricity Transmission System at the Connection Site with Users. In the case of any OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, the ECC also specify the minimum technical, design and operational criteria which must be complied with by the User when undertaking OTSDUW.
- (c) The requirements of **Assimilated Law** (Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/631) shall not apply to
  - (i) Power Generating Modules that are installed to provide backup power and operate in parallel with the Total System for less than 5 minutes per calendar month while the System is in normal state. Parallel operation during maintenance or commissioning of tests of that Power Generating Module shall not count towards that five minute limit.
  - (ii) Power Generating Modules connected to the Transmission System or Network Operators System which are not operated in synchronism with a Synchronous Area.
  - (iii) Power Generating Modules that do not have a permanent Connection Point or User System Entry Point and used by The Company to temporarily provide power when normal System capacity is partly or completely unavailable.
  - (iv) Electricity Storage Modules.
- (d) Storage Users are required to comply with the entirety of the ECC but are not subject to the requirements of Assimilated Law (Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/631, Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1388 and Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1485). The requirements of the ECC shall therefore be enforceable against Storage Users under the Grid Code only (and not under any of the aforementioned Assimilated Law) and any derogation sought by a Storage User in respect of the ECC shall be deemed a derogation from the Grid Code only (and not from the aforementioned Assimilated Law).

#### ECC.2 OBJECTIVE

- The objective of the **ECC** is to ensure that by specifying minimum technical, design and operational criteria the basic rules for connection to the **National Electricity Transmission System** and (for certain **Users**) to a **User's System** are similar for all **Users** of an equivalent category and will enable **The Company** to comply with its statutory and **ESO Licence** obligations and the applicable **Assimilated Law**.
- In the case of any **OTSDUW** the objective of the **ECC** is to ensure that by specifying the minimum technical, design and operational criteria the basic rules relating to an **Offshore**Transmission System designed and constructed by an **Offshore Transmission Licensee** and designed and/or constructed by a **User** under the **OTSDUW Arrangements** are equivalent.
- Provisions of the ECC which apply in relation to OTSDUW and OTSUA, and/or a Transmission Interface Site, shall (in any particular case) apply up to the OTSUA Transfer Time, whereupon such provisions shall (without prejudice to any prior non-compliance) cease to apply, without prejudice to the continuing application of provisions of the ECC applying in relation to the relevant Offshore Transmission System and/or Connection Site. It is the case therefore that in cases where the OTSUA becomes operational prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time that a EU Generator is required to comply with this ECC both as it applies to its Plant and Apparatus at a Connection Site\Connection Point and the OTSUA at the Transmission Interface Site/Transmission Interface Point until the OTSUA Transfer Time and this ECC shall be construed accordingly.
- In relation to **OTSDUW**, provisions otherwise to be contained in a **Bilateral Agreement** may be contained in the **Construction Agreement**, and accordingly a reference in the **ECC** to a relevant **Bilateral Agreement** includes the relevant **Construction Agreement**.

#### ECC.3 SCOPE

- ECC.3.1 The ECC applies to The Company and to Users, which in the ECC means:
  - (a) EU Generators (other than those which only have Embedded Small Power Stations), including those undertaking OTSDUW including Power Generating Modules, and DC Connected Power Park Modules. For the avoidance of doubt, Electricity Storage Modules are included within the definition of Power Generating Modules for which the requirements of the ECC would be equally applicable.
  - (b) Network Operators but only in respect of:-
    - (i) Network Operators who are EU Code Users
    - (ii) Network Operators who only have EU Grid Supply Points
    - (iii) **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** as provided for in ECC.3.2, ECC.3.3, EC3.4, EC3.5, ECC5.1, ECC.6.4.4 and ECA.3.4;
    - (iv) Notwithstanding the requirements of ECC3.1(b)(i)(ii) and (iii), Network Operators who own and/or operate EU Grid Supply Points, are only required to satisfy the requirements of this ECC in relation to each EU Grid Supply Point. Network Operators in respect of all other Grid Supply Points should continue to satisfy the requirements as specified in the CCs.
  - (c) Non-Embedded Customers who are also EU Code Users;
  - (d) HVDC System Owners who are also EU Code Users;
  - (e) **BM Participants** and **Externally Interconnected System Operators** who are also **EU Code Users** in respect of ECC.6.5, ECC.7.9, ECC.7.10 and ECC.7.11 only; and.

- (f) In relation to Distribution Restoration Zones, Restoration Contractors who are Non-CUSC Parties and whose Embedded Plant needs to comply with the requirements of EREC G99, other than those included in (a) to (e) above, shall only be required to satisfy ECC.6.1.2, ECC.6.2.2.1.2, ECC.6.2.2.7, ECC.6.3, ECC.6.6, ECC.7.10, ECC.7.11 and ECC.8.1 unless additional technical requirements are provided for in the Anchor Restoration Contract or Top Up Restoration Contract. Restoration Contractors who are Non-CUSC Parties and whose Embedded Plant needs to comply with EREC G59 are not included in the scope of the ECC and should refer to the CC.
- ECC.3.2 The above categories of **User** will become bound by the applicable sections of the **ECC** prior to them generating, distributing, storing, supplying or consuming, as the case may be, and references to the various categories should, therefore, be taken as referring to them in that prospective role.
- ECC.3.3 Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded HVDC Systems not subject to a Bilateral Agreement Provisions.

The following provisions apply in respect of **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**.

- The obligations within the ECC that are expressed to be applicable to EU Generators in respect of Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and HVDC System Owners in respect of Embedded HVDC Systems not subject to a Bilateral Agreement (where the obligations are in each case listed in ECC.3.3.2) shall be read and construed as obligations that the Network Operator within whose System any such Medium Power Station or HVDC System is Embedded must ensure are performed and discharged by the EU Generator or the HVDC Owner. Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded HVDC Systems not subject to a Bilateral Agreement which are located Offshore and which are connected to an Onshore User System will be required to meet the applicable requirements of the Grid Code as though they are an Onshore Generator or Onshore HVDC System Owner connected to an Onshore User System Entry Point.
- The Network Operator within whose System a Medium Power Station not subject to a Bilateral Agreement is Embedded or a HVDC System not subject to a Bilateral Agreement is Embedded must ensure that the following obligations in the ECC are performed and discharged by the EU Generator in respect of each such Embedded Medium Power Station or the HVDC System Owner in the case of an Embedded HVDC System:

ECC.5.1

ECC.5.2.2

ECC.5.3

ECC.6.1.3

ECC.6.1.5 (b)

ECC.6.3.2, ECC.6.3.3, ECC.6.3.4, ECC.6.3.6, ECC.6.3.7, ECC.6.3.8, ECC.6.3.9, ECC.6.3.10, ECC.6.3.12, ECC.6.3.13, ECC.6.3.15, ECC.6.3.16

ECC.6.4.4

ECC.6.5.6 (where required by ECC.6.4.4)

In respect of ECC.6.2.2.2, ECC.6.2.2.3, ECC.6.2.2.5, ECC.6.1.5(a), ECC.6.1.5(b) and ECC.6.3.11 equivalent provisions as co-ordinated and agreed with the **Network Operator** and **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** may be required. Details of any such requirements will be notified to the **Network Operator** in accordance with ECC.3.5.

ECC.3.3.3 In the case of **Embedded Medium Power Station**s not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC Systems** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** the requirements in:

ECC.6.1.6

ECC.6.3.8

ECC.6.3.12

ECC.6.3.15

ECC.6.3.16

ECC.6.3.17

that would otherwise have been specified in a **Bilateral Agreement** will be notified to the relevant **Network Operator** in writing in accordance with the provisions of the **CUSC** and the **Network Operator** must ensure such requirements are performed and discharged by the **Generator** or the **HVDC System** owner.

- In the case of Offshore Embedded Power Generating Modules connected to an Offshore User's System which directly connects to an Offshore Transmission System, any additional requirements in respect of such Offshore Embedded Power Generating Modules may be specified in the relevant Bilateral Agreement with the Network Operator or in any Bilateral Agreement between The Company and such Offshore Generator.
- In the case of a Generator undertaking OTSDUW connecting to an Onshore Network Operator's System, any additional requirements in respect of such OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus will be specified in the relevant Bilateral Agreement with the EU Generator. For the avoidance of doubt, requirements applicable to EU Generators undertaking OTSDUW and connecting to a Network Operator's User System, shall be consistent with those applicable requirements of Generators undertaking OTSDUW and connecting to a Transmission Interface Point.
- The requirements of this ECC shall apply to EU Code Users in respect of Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules and Electricity Storage Modules) and HVDC Systems.

#### ECC.4 PROCEDURE

The CUSC contains certain provisions relating to the procedure for connection to the National Electricity Transmission System or, in the case of Embedded Power Stations or Embedded HVDC Systems, becoming operational and includes provisions relating to certain conditions to be complied with by EU Code Users prior to and during the course of The Company notifying the User that it has the right to become operational. The procedure for an EU Code User to become connected is set out in the Compliance Processes.

#### ECC.5 CONNECTION

- The provisions relating to connecting to the **National Electricity Transmission System** (or to a **User's System** in the case of a connection of an **Embedded Large Power Station** or **Embedded Medium Power Stations** or **Embedded HVDC System**) are contained in:
  - (a) the CUSC and/or CUSC Contract (or in the relevant application form or offer for a CUSC Contract);
  - (b) or, in the case of an Embedded Development, the relevant Distribution Code and/or the Embedded Development Agreement for the connection (or in the relevant application form or offer for an Embedded Development Agreement),

and include provisions relating to both the submission of information and reports relating to compliance with the relevant European Connection Conditions for that EU Code User, Safety Rules, commissioning programmes, Operation Diagrams and approval to connect (and their equivalents in the case of Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement or Embedded HVDC Systems not subject to a Bilateral Agreement). References in the ECC to the "Bilateral Agreement" and/or "Construction Agreement" and/or "Embedded Development Agreement" shall be deemed to include references to the application form or offer therefor.

# ECC.5.2 <u>Items For Submission</u>

- Prior to the **Completion Date** (or, where the **EU Generator** is undertaking **OTSDUW**, any later date specified) under the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**, the following is submitted pursuant to the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**:
  - (a) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for Forecast Data items such as Demand, pursuant to the requirements of the Planning Code;
  - (b) details of the **Protection** arrangements and settings referred to in ECC.6;
  - (c) copies of all Safety Rules and Local Safety Instructions applicable at Users' Sites which will be used at the Transmission/User interface (which, for the purpose of OC8, must be to The Company's satisfaction regarding the procedures for Isolation and Earthing. The Company will consult the Relevant Transmission Licensee when determining whether the procedures for Isolation and Earthing are satisfactory);
  - (d) information to enable the preparation of the **Site Responsibility Schedules** on the basis of the provisions set out in Appendix 1;
  - (e) an **Operation Diagram** for all **HV Apparatus** on the **User** side of the **Connection Point** as described in ECC.7:
  - (f) the proposed name of the **User Site** (which shall not be the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name of any **Transmission Site** or of any other **User Site**);
  - (g) written confirmation that **Safety Co-ordinators** acting on behalf of the **User** are authorised and competent pursuant to the requirements of **OC8**;
  - (h) Such **RISSP** prefixes pursuant to the requirements of **OC8**. Such **RISSP** prefixes shall be circulated utilising a proforma in accordance with **OC8**;
  - a list of the telephone numbers for Joint System Incidents at which senior management representatives nominated for the purpose can be contacted and confirmation that they are fully authorised to make binding decisions on behalf of the User, pursuant to OC9;
  - (j) a list of managers who have been duly authorised to sign **Site Responsibility Schedules** on behalf of the **User**;
  - (k) information to enable the preparation of the **Site Common Drawings** as described in ECC.7;
  - (I) confirmation of access to the **Designated Information Exchange System** as referenced in ECC.6.5.9;
  - (m) for Sites in Scotland and Offshore a list of persons appointed by the User to undertake operational duties on the User's System (including any OTSDUW prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time) and to issue and receive operational messages and instructions in relation to the User's System (including any OTSDUW prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time); and an appointed person or persons responsible for the maintenance and testing of User's Plant and Apparatus.

- (n) a list of contact details for outage and network planning, which shall be updated by the **EU Code User** as needed; and
- (o) a list of email and telephone contact details for the User Site, which shall be updated by the User as needed. The persons specified in the contact details should be able to assist in the sharing of dynamic system behaviour monitoring data as well as supporting any post-Event investigations.
- Prior to the **Completion Date** the following must be submitted to **The Company** by the **Network Operator** in respect of an **Embedded Development**:
  - (a) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for Forecast Data items such as Demand, pursuant to the requirements of the Planning Code;
  - (b) details of the **Protection** arrangements and settings referred to in ECC.6;
  - (c) the proposed name of the **Embedded Medium Power Station** or **Embedded HVDC System** (which shall be agreed with **The Company** unless it is the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name of other **Transmission Site** or **User Site**);
- Prior to the Completion Date contained within an Offshore Transmission Distribution
  Connection Agreement the following must be submitted to The Company by the Network
  Operator in respect of a proposed new Interface Point within its User System:
  - (a) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for Forecast Data items such as Demand, pursuant to the requirements of the Planning Code;
  - (b) details of the **Protection** arrangements and settings referred to in ECC.6;
  - (c) the proposed name of the **Interface Point** (which shall not be the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name of any **Transmission Site** or of any other **User Site**);
- In the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** (in addition to items under ECC.5.2.1 in respect of the **Connection Site**), prior to the **Completion Date** (or any later date specified) under the **Construction Agreement** the following must be submitted to **The Company** by the **User** in respect of the proposed new **Connection Point** and **Interface Point**:
  - (a) updated **Planning Code** data (**Standard Planning Data**, **Detailed Planning Data** and **OTSDUW Data and Information**), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for **Forecast Data** items such as **Demand**, pursuant to the requirements of the **Planning Code**;
  - (b) details of the **Protection** arrangements and settings referred to in ECC.6;
  - (c) information to enable preparation of the **Site Responsibility Schedules** at the **Transmission Interface Site** on the basis of the provisions set out in Appendix E1.
  - (d) the proposed name of the **Interface Point** (which shall not be the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name of any **Transmission Site** or of any other **User Site**);
- ECC.5.3 (a) Of the items ECC.5.2.1 (c), (e), (g), (h), (k) and (m) need not be supplied in respect of **Embedded Power Stations** or **Embedded HVDC Systems**,
  - (b) item ECC.5.2.1(i) need not be supplied in respect of **Embedded Small Power Stations** and **Embedded Medium Power Stations** or **Embedded HVDC Systems** with a **Registered Capacity** of less than 100MW, and
  - (c) items ECC.5.2.1(d) and (j) are only needed in the case where the **Embedded Power** Station or the **Embedded HVDC System** is within a **Connection Site** with another **User**.

- ECC.6 TECHNICAL, DESIGN AND OPERATIONAL CRITERIA
- ECC.6.1 National Electricity Transmission System Performance Characteristics
- ECC.6.1.1 The Company shall ensure that, subject as provided in the Grid Code, the National Electricity Transmission System complies with the following technical, design and operational criteria in relation to the part of the National Electricity Transmission System at the Connection Site with a User and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, a Transmission Interface Point (unless otherwise specified in ECC.6) although in relation to operational criteria The Company may be unable (and will not be required) to comply with this obligation to the extent that there are insufficient Power Stations or User Systems are not available or Users do not comply with The Company's instructions or otherwise do not comply with the Grid Code and each User shall ensure that its Plant and Apparatus complies with the criteria set out in ECC.6.1.5.
- ECC.6.1.2 Grid Frequency Variations
- ECC.6.1.2.1 Grid Frequency Variations
- ECC.6.1.2.1.1 The **Frequency** of the **National Electricity Transmission System** shall be nominally 50Hz and shall be controlled within the limits of 49.5 50.5Hz unless exceptional circumstances prevail, for example but not limited to, situations such as during **System Restoration**.
- ECC.6.1.2.1.2 The **System Frequency** could rise to 52Hz or fall to 47Hz in exceptional circumstances. Design of **User's Plant** and **Apparatus** and **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** must enable operation of that **Plant** and **Apparatus** within that range in accordance with the following:

Frequency Range	<u>Requirement</u>
51.5Hz - 52Hz	Operation for a period of at least 15 minutes is required each
	time the Frequency is above 51.5Hz.
51Hz - 51.5Hz	Operation for a period of at least 90 minutes is required each
	time the Frequency is above 51Hz.
49.0Hz - 51Hz	Continuous operation is required
47.5Hz - 49.0Hz	Operation for a period of at least 90 minutes is required each
	time the Frequency is below 49.0Hz.
47Hz - 47.5Hz	Operation for a period of at least 20 seconds is required
	each time the Frequency is below 47.5Hz.

- ECC.6.1.2.1.3 For the avoidance of doubt, disconnection, by frequency or speed based relays is not permitted within the frequency range 47.5Hz to 51.5Hz. **EU Generators** should however be aware of the combined voltage and frequency operating ranges as defined in ECC.6.3.12 and ECC.6.3.13.
- ECC.6.1.2.1.4 The Company in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and/or Network Operator and a User may agree on wider variations in frequency or longer minimum operating times to those set out in ECC.6.1.2.1.2 or specific requirements for combined frequency and voltage deviations, for example but not limited to, situations such as during System Restoration. Any such requirements in relation to Power Generating Modules shall be in accordance with ECC.6.3.12 and ECC.6.3.13. A User shall not unreasonably withhold consent to apply wider frequency ranges or longer minimum times for operation taking account of their economic and technical feasibility.
- ECC.6.1.2.2 <u>Grid Frequency variations for HVDC Systems</u> and Remote End HVDC Converter Stations
- ECC.6.1.2.2.1 **HVDC Systems** and **Remote End HVDC Converter Stations** shall be capable of staying connected to the **System** and remaining operable within the frequency ranges and time periods specified in Table ECC.6.1.2.2 below. This requirement shall continue to apply during the **Fault Ride Through** conditions defined in ECC.6.3.15

Frequency Range (Hz)	Time Period for Operation (s)	
47.0 – 47.5Hz	60 seconds	

47.5 – 49.0Hz	90 minutes and 30 seconds
49.0 – 51.0Hz	Unlimited
51.0 – 51.5Hz	90 minutes and 30 seconds
51.5Hz – 52 Hz	20 minutes

- Table ECC.6.1.2.2 Minimum time periods <u>HVDC Systems</u> and <u>Remote End HVDC Converter Stations</u> shall be able to operate for different frequencies deviating from a nominal value without disconnecting from the <u>National Electricity Transmission System</u>
- ECC.6.1.2.2.2 The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and a HVDC System Owner may agree wider frequency ranges or longer minimum operating times if required to preserve or restore system security, for example but not limited to, situations such as during System Restoration. If wider frequency ranges or longer minimum times for operation are economically and technically feasible, the HVDC System Owner shall not unreasonably withhold consent.
- ECC.6.1.2.2.3 Not withstanding the requirements of ECC.6.1.2.2.1, an HVDC System or Remote End HVDC Converter Station shall be capable of automatic disconnection at frequencies specified by The Company and/or Relevant Network Operator.
- ECC.6.1.2.2.4 In the case of **Remote End HVDC Converter Stations** where the **Remote End HVDC Converter Station** is operating at either nominal frequency other than 50Hz or a variable frequency, the requirements defined in ECC6.1.2.2.1 to ECC.6.1.2.2.3 shall apply to the **Remote End HVDC Converter Station** other than in respect of the frequency ranges and time periods.
- ECC.6.1.2.3 Grid Frequency Variations for DC Connected Power Park Modules
- ECC.6.1.2.3.1 DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of staying connected to the Remote End DC Converter network at the HVDC Interface Point and operating within the Frequency ranges and time periods specified in Table ECC.6.1.2.3 below. Where a nominal frequency other than 50Hz, or a Frequency variable by design is used as agreed with The Company and the Relevant Transmission Licensee the applicable Frequency ranges and time periods shall be specified in the Bilateral Agreement which shall (where applicable) reflect the requirements in Table ECC.6.1.2.3.

Frequency Range (Hz)	Time Period for Operation (s)
47.0 – 47.5Hz	20 seconds
47.5 – 49.0Hz	90 minutes
49.0 – 51.0Hz	Unlimited
51.0 – 51.5Hz	90 minutes
51.5Hz – 52 Hz	15 minutes

- Table ECC.6.1.2.3 Minimum time periods a **DC Connected Power Park Module** shall be able to operate for different frequencies deviating from a nominal value without disconnecting from the **System**
- ECC.6.1.2.3.2 The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and a Generator may agree wider frequency ranges or longer minimum operating times if required to preserve or restore system security and to ensure the optimum capability of the DC Connected Power Park Module, for example but not limited to, situations such as during System Restoration. If wider frequency ranges or longer minimum times for operation are economically and technically feasible, the EU Generator shall not unreasonably withhold consent.

# ECC.6.1.4 Grid Voltage Variations

# ECC.6.1.4.1 <u>Grid Voltage Variations for Users excluding DC Connected Power Park Modules and Remote End HVDC Converters</u>

The voltage on part of the National Electricity Transmission System operating at nominal voltages of greater than 300kV at each Connection Site with a User (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, a Transmission Interface Point, excluding DC Connected Power Park Modules and Remote End HVDC Converters) will normally remain within ±5% of the nominal value unless abnormal conditions prevail. The minimum voltage is -10% and the maximum voltage is +10% unless abnormal conditions prevail, for example, but not limited to, situations such as during **System Restoration**, but voltages between +5% and +10% will not last longer than 15 minutes unless abnormal conditions prevail. For nominal voltages of 110kV and up to and including 300kV voltages on the parts of the National Electricity Transmission System at each Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, a Transmission Interface Point) will normally remain within the limits ±10% of the nominal value unless abnormal conditions prevail for example, but not limited to, situations such as during System Restoration. At nominal System voltages below 110kV the voltage of the National Electricity Transmission System at each Connection Site with a User (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, a Transmission Interface Point), excluding Connection Sites for DC Connected Power Park Modules and Remote End HVDC **Converters**) will normally remain within the limits ±6% of the nominal value unless abnormal conditions prevail for example but not limited to, situations such as during System Restoration. Under fault conditions, the voltage may collapse transiently to zero at the point of fault until the fault is cleared. The normal operating ranges of the National Electricity **Transmission System** are summarised below:

National Electricity Transmission System	Normal Ope	Time period for Operation	
Nominal Voltage	Voltage	Pu (1pu relates to	•
	(percentage of	the Nominal	
	Nominal Voltage)	Voltage)	
Greater than 300kV	V -10% to +5%	0.90pu- 1.05pu	Unlimited
	V +5% to +10%	1.05pu- 1.10pu	15 minutes
110kV up to 300kV	V ±10%	0.90- 1.10pu	Unlimited
Below 110kV	±6%	0.94pu- 1.06pu	Unlimited

**The Company** and a **User** may agree greater variations or longer minimum time periods of operation in voltage to those set out above in relation to a particular **Connection Site**, and insofar as a greater variation is agreed, the relevant figure set out above shall, in relation to that **User** at the particular **Connection Site**, be replaced by the figure agreed.

# ECC.6.1.4.2 Grid Voltage Variations for all DC Connected Power Park Modules

ECC.6.1.4.2.1 All **DC Connected Power Park Modules** shall be capable of staying connected to the **Remote End HVDC Converter Station** at the **HVDC Interface Point** and operating within the voltage ranges and time periods specified in Tables ECC.6.1.4.2(a) and ECC.6.1.4.2(b) below. The applicable voltage range and time periods specified are selected based on the reference 1pu voltage.

Voltage Range (pu)	Time Period for Operation (s)	
0.85pu — 0.9pu	60 minutes	
0.9pu — 1.1pu	Unlimited	
1.1pu – 1.15pu	15 minutes	

Table ECC.6.1.4.2(a) – Minimum time periods for which **DC Connected Power Park Modules** shall be capable of operating for different voltages deviating from reference 1pu without disconnecting from the network where the nominal voltage base is 110kV or above and less than 300kV.

Voltage Range (pu)	Time Period for Operation (s)	
0.85pu – 0.9pu	60 minutes	
0.9pu – 1.05pu	Unlimited	
1.05pu – 1.15pu	15 minutes	

- Table ECC.6.1.4.2(b) Minimum time periods for which **DC Connected Power Park Modules** shall be capable of operating for different voltages deviating from reference 1pu without disconnecting from the network where the nominal voltage base is from 300kV up to and including 400kV.
- ECC.6.1.4.2.2 The Company and a EU Generator in respect of a DC Connected Power Park Module may agree greater voltage ranges or longer minimum operating times. If greater voltage ranges or longer minimum times for operation are economically and technically feasible, the EU Generator shall not unreasonably withhold any agreement.
- ECC.6.1.4.2.3 For DC Connected Power Park Modules which have an HVDC Interface Point to the Remote End HVDC Converter Station, The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee may specify voltage limits at the HVDC Interface Point at which the DC Connected Power Park Module is capable of automatic disconnection.
- ECC.6.1.4.2.4 For **HVDC** Interface Points which fall outside the scope of ECC.6.1.4.2.1, ECC.6.1.4.2.2 and ECC.6.1.4.2.3, **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** shall specify any applicable requirements at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point**.
- ECC.6.1.4.2.5 Where the nominal frequency of the AC collector **System** which is connected to an **HVDC**Interface Point is at a value other than 50Hz, the voltage ranges and time periods specified by **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** shall be proportional to the values specified in Table ECC.6.1.4.2(a) and Table ECC.6.1.4.2(b)
- ECC.6.1.4.3 Grid Voltage Variations for all Remote End HVDC Converters
- ECC.6.1.4.3.1 All **Remote End HVDC Converter Stations** shall be capable of staying connected to the **HVDC Interface Point** and operating within the voltage ranges and time periods specified in Tables ECC.6.1.4.3(a) and ECC.6.1.4.3(b) below. The applicable voltage range and time periods specified are selected based on the reference 1pu voltage.

Voltage Range (pu)	Time Period for Operation (s)	
0.85pu – 0.9pu	60 minutes	
0.9pu – 1.1pu	Unlimited	
1.1pu – 1.15pu	15 minutes	

Table ECC.6.1.4.3(a) – Minimum time periods for which a **Remote End HVDC Converter** shall be capable of operating for different voltages deviating from reference 1pu without disconnecting from the network where the nominal voltage base is 110kV or above and less than 300kV.

Voltage Range (pu)	Time Period for Operation (s)	
0.85pu – 0.9pu	60 minutes	
0.9pu – 1.05pu	Unlimited	

1.05pu – 1.15pu	15 minutes

- Table ECC.6.1.4.3(b) Minimum time periods for which a Remote End HVDC Converter shall be capable of operating for different voltages deviating from reference 1pu without disconnecting from the network where the nominal voltage base is from 300kV up to and including 400kV.
- ECC.6.1.4.3.2 **The Company** and a **HVDC System Owner** may agree greater voltage ranges or longer minimum operating times which shall be in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.1.4.2.
- ECC.6.1.4.3.4 For **HVDC Interface Points** which fall outside the scope of ECC.6.1.4.3.1 **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** shall specify any applicable requirements at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point**.
- ECC.6.1.4.3.5 Where the nominal frequency of the AC collector **System** which is connected to an **HVDC**Interface Point is at a value other than 50Hz, the voltage ranges and time periods specified by **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** shall be proportional to the values specified in Table ECC.6.1.4.3(a) and Table ECC.6.1.4.3(b)

Voltage Waveform Quality

All Plant and Apparatus connected to the National Electricity Transmission System, and that part of the National Electricity Transmission System at each Connection Site or, in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, at each Interface Point, should be capable of withstanding the following distortions of the voltage waveform in respect of harmonic content and phase unbalance:

#### (a) Harmonic Content

The Electromagnetic Compatibility Levels for harmonic distortion on the Onshore Transmission System from all sources under both Planned Outage and fault outage conditions, (unless abnormal conditions prevail) shall comply with Engineering Recommendation G5. The Electromagnetic Compatibility Levels for harmonic distortion on an Offshore Transmission System will be defined in relevant Bilateral Agreements.

Engineering Recommendation G5 contains planning criteria which The Company will apply to the connection of non-linear Load to the National Electricity Transmission System, which may result in harmonic emission limits being specified for these Loads in the relevant Bilateral Agreement. The application of the planning criteria will take into account the position of existing GB Code User's and EU Code Users' Plant and Apparatus (and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) in relation to harmonic emissions. EU Code Users must ensure that connection of distorting loads to their User Systems do not cause any harmonic emission limits specified in the Bilateral Agreement, or where no such limits are specified, the relevant planning levels specified in Engineering Recommendation G5 to be exceeded.

# (b) Phase Unbalance

Under Planned Outage conditions, the weekly 95 percentile of Phase (Voltage) Unbalance, calculated in accordance with IEC 61000-4-30 and IEC 61000-3-13, on the National Electricity Transmission System for voltages above 150kV should remain, in England and Wales, below 1.5%, and in Scotland, below 2%, and for voltages of 150kV and below, across GB below 2%, unless abnormal conditions prevail and Offshore (or in the case of OTSDUW, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) will be defined in relevant Bilateral Agreements.

The Phase Unbalance is calculated from the ratio of root mean square (rms) of negative phase sequence voltage to rms of positive phase sequence voltage, based on 10-minute average values, in accordance with IEC 61000-4-30.

Across GB, under the **Planned Outage** conditions stated in ECC.6.1.5(b) infrequent short duration peaks with a maximum value of 2% are permitted for **Phase (Voltage) Unbalance**, for voltages above 150kV, subject to the prior agreement of **The Company** under the **Bilateral Agreement** and in relation to **OTSDUW**, the **Construction Agreement**. **The Company** will only agree following a specific assessment of the impact of these levels on **Transmission Apparatus** and other **Users Apparatus** with which it is satisfied.

#### Voltage Fluctuations

- ECC.6.1.7 Voltage changes at a **Point of Common Coupling** on the **Onshore Transmission System** shall not exceed:
  - (a) The limits specified in Table ECC.6.1.7(a) with the stated frequency of occurrence, where:

(i)

$$\%\Delta V_{\text{steadystate}} = \left| \ 100 \ x \ \frac{\Delta V_{\text{steadystate}}}{Vn} \right|$$
 and 
$$\%\Delta V_{\text{max}} = 100 \ x \ \frac{\Delta V_{\text{max}}}{V_{n}} \ ;$$

- (ii) V<sub>n</sub> is the nominal system voltage;
- (iii) V<sub>steadystate</sub> is the voltage at the end of a period of 1 s during which the rate of change of system voltage over time is ≤ 0.5%;
- (iv)  $\Delta V_{\text{steadystate}}$  is the difference in voltage between the initial steady state voltage prior to the RVC (V<sub>0</sub>) and the final steady state voltage after the RVC (V<sub>0</sub>);
- (v)  $\Delta V_{\text{max}}$  is the absolute change in the system voltage relative to the initial steady state system voltage (V<sub>0</sub>);
- (vi) All voltages are the r.m.s. of the voltage measured over one cycle refreshed every half a cycle as per BS EN 61000-4-30; and
- (vii) The applications in the 'Example Applicability' column are examples only and are not definitive.

Cat- egory	Title	Maximum number of occurrence	Limits %∆V <sub>max</sub> & %∆V <sub>steadystate</sub>	Example Applicability
1	Frequent events	(see NOTE 1)	As per Figure ECC.6.1.7 (1)	Any single or repetitive RVC that falls inside Figure ECC.6.1.7 (1)
2	Infrequent events	4 events in 1 calendar month (see NOTE 2)	As per Figure ECC.6.1.7 (2) $ \%\Delta V_{\text{steadystate}}  \le 3\%$ For decrease in voltage: $ \%\Delta V_{\text{max}}  \le 10\%$ (see NOTE 3) For increase in voltage: $ \%\Delta V_{\text{max}}  \le 6\%$ (see NOTE 4)	Infrequent motor starting, transformer energisation, re-energisation (see NOTE 7)

3	Very infrequent events	1 event in 3 calendar months (see NOTE 2)	As per Figure ECC.6.1.7 (3) $ \%\Delta V_{\text{steadystate}}  \le 3\%$ For decrease in voltage: $ \%\Delta V_{\text{max}}  \le 12\%$ (see NOTE 5) For increase in voltage: $ \%\Delta V_{\text{max}}  \le 6\%$ (see NOTE 6)	Commissioning, maintenance & post fault switching (see NOTE 7)
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- NOTE 1:  $\pm 6\%$  is permissible for 100 ms reduced to  $\pm 3\%$  thereafter as per Figure ECC.6.1.7 (1) . If the profile of repetitive voltage change(s) falls within the envelope given in Figure ECC.6.1.7 (1) , the assessment of such voltage change(s) shall be undertaken according to the recommendations for assessment of flicker <u>and</u> shall conform to the planning levels provided for flicker. If any part of the voltage change(s) falls outside the envelope given in Figure ECC.6.1.7(1), the assessment of such voltage changes, repetitive or not, shall be done according to the guidance and limits for RVCs.
- NOTE 2: No more than 1 event is permitted per day, consisting of up to 4 RVCs, each separated by at least 10 minutes with all switching completed within a two-hour window.
- NOTE 3: -10% is permissible for 100 ms reduced to -6% until 2 s then reduced to -3% thereafter as per Figure ECC.6.1.7 (2).
- NOTE 4: +6% is permissible for 0.8 s from the instant the event begins then reduced to +3% thereafter as per Figure ECC.6.1.7 (2).
- NOTE 5: -12% is permissible for 100 ms reduced to -10% until 2 s then reduced to -3% thereafter as per Figure ECC.6.1.7 (3).
- NOTE 6: +6% is permissible for 0.8 s from the instant the event begins then reduced to +3% thereafter as per Figure ECC.6.1.7 (3).
- NOTE 7: These are examples only. Customers may opt to conform to the limits of another category providing the frequency of occurrence is not expected to exceed the 'Maximum number of occurrence' for the chosen category.

# Table ECC.6.1.7 (a) - Planning levels for RVC

- (b) The voltage change limit is the absolute maximum allowed of either the phase-to-earth voltage change or the phase-to-phase voltage change, whichever is the highest. The limits do not apply to single phasor equivalent voltages, e.g. positive phase sequence (PPS) voltages. For high impedance earthed systems, the maximum phase-to-phase, i.e. line voltage, should be used for assessment.
- (c) The RVCs in Category 2 and 3 should not exceed the limits depicted in the time dependent characteristic shown in Figure ECC.6.1.7 (2) and Figure ECC.6.1.7 (3) respectively. These limits do not apply to: 1) fault clearance operations; or 2) immediate operations in response to fault conditions; or 3) operations relating to post fault system restoration (for the avoidance of doubt this third exception pertains to a fault that is external to the **Users** plant and apparatus).
- (d) Any RVCs permitted in Category 2 and Category 3 should be at least 10 minutes apart.
- (e) The value of V<sub>steadystate</sub> should be established immediately prior to the start of a RVC. Following a RVC, the voltage should remain within the relevant envelope, as shown in Figures ECC.6.1.7 (1), ECC.6.1.7 (2), ECC.6.1.7 (3), until a V<sub>steadystate</sub> condition has been satisfied.

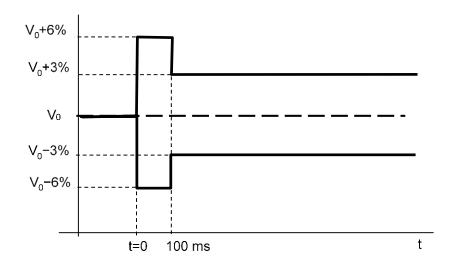


Figure ECC.6.1.7 (1) — Voltage characteristic for frequent events

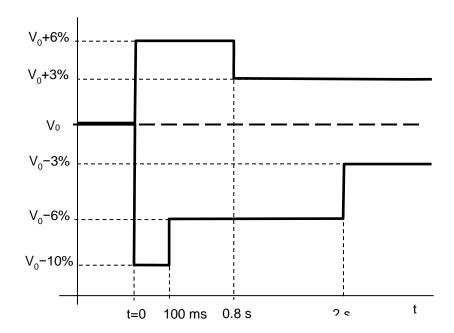


Figure ECC.6.1.7 (2) — Voltage characteristic for infrequent events

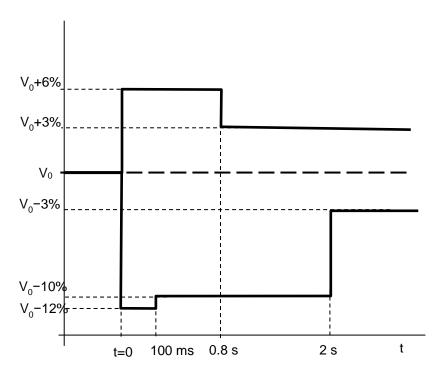


Figure ECC.6.1.7 (3) — Voltage characteristic for very infrequent events

- (f) The voltage change between two steady state voltage conditions should not exceed 3%. (The limit is based on 3% of the nominal voltage of the system (V<sub>n</sub>) as measured at the PCC. The step voltage change as measured at the customer's supply terminals or equipment terminals could be greater. For example: The step voltage change limit stated in BS EN 61000-3-3 and BS EN 61000-3-11 is 3.3% when measured at the equipment terminals.)
- (g) The limits apply to voltage changes measured at the Point of Common Coupling.
- (h) Category 3 events that are planned should be notified to the Company in advance.
- (i) For connections where voltage changes would constitute a risk to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or, in **The Company's** view, the **System** of any **GB Code User**, **Bilateral Agreements** may include provision for **The Company** to reasonably limit the number of voltage changes in Category 2 or 3 to a lower number than specified in Table ECC.6.1.7(a) to ensure that the total number of voltage changes at the **Point of Common Coupling** across multiple **Users** remains within the limits of Table ECC.6.1.7(a).
- (j) The planning levels applicable to Flicker Severity Short Term (Pst) and Flicker Severity Long Term (Plt) are set out in Table ECC.6.1.7(b).

	Planning level	
Supply system Nominal voltage	Flicker Severity Short Term (Pst)	Flicker Severity Long Term (Plt)
Up to and including 33 kV	0.9	0.7
66kV and greater	0.8	0.6

NOTE 1: The magnitude of Pst is linear with respect to the magnitude of the voltage changes giving rise to it.

NOTE 2: Extreme caution is advised in allowing any excursions of Pst and Plt above the planning level.

# Table ECC.6.7.1(b) — Planning levels for flicker

The values and figures referred to in this paragraph ECC.6.1.7 are derived from Engineering Recommendation P28 Issue 2.

Voltage fluctuations at a **Point of Common Coupling** with a fluctuating **Load** directly connected to an **Offshore Transmission System** (or in the case of **OTSDUW**, **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**) shall not exceed the limits set out in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

Sub-Synchronous Resonance and Sub-Synchronous Torsional Interaction (SSTI)

- ECC.6.1.9 The Company shall ensure that Users' Plant and Apparatus will not be subject to unacceptable Sub-Synchronous Oscillation conditions as specified in the relevant License Standards.
- The Company shall ensure where necessary, and in consultation with Relevant Transmission Licensees where required, that any relevant site specific conditions applicable at a User's Connection Site, including a description of the Sub-Synchronous Oscillation conditions considered in the application of the relevant License Standards, are set out in the User's Bilateral Agreement.
- ECC.6.2 Plant and Apparatus relating to Connection Sites and Interface Points and HVDC Interface
  Points

The following requirements apply to Plant and Apparatus relating to the Connection Point and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus relating to the Interface Point (until the OTSUA Transfer Time), HVDC Interface Points relating to Remote End HVDC Converters and Connection Points which (except as otherwise provided in the relevant paragraph) each EU Code User must ensure are complied with in relation to its Plant and Apparatus and which in the case of ECC.6.2.2.2.2, ECC.6.2.3.1.1 and ECC.6.2.1.1(b) only, The Company must ensure are complied with in relation to Transmission Plant and Apparatus, as provided in those paragraphs.

# ECC.6.2.1 General Requirements

- ECC.6.2.1.1 (a) The design of connections between the **National Electricity Transmission System** and:
  - (i) any Power Generating Module Generating Unit (other than a CCGT Unit or Power Park Unit) HVDC Equipment, Power Park Module or CCGT Module, or
  - (ii) any Network Operator's User System, or
  - (iii) Non-Embedded Customers equipment;

will be consistent with the Licence Standards.

In the case of **OTSDUW**, the design of the **OTSUA's** connections at the **Interface Point** and **Connection Point** will be consistent with **Licence Standards**.

- (b) The National Electricity Transmission System (and any OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) at nominal System voltages of 132kV and above is/shall be designed to be earthed with an Earth Fault Factor of, in England and Wales or Offshore, below 1.4 and in Scotland, below 1.5. Under fault conditions the rated Frequency component of voltage could fall transiently to zero on one or more phases or, in England and Wales, rise to 140% phase-to-earth voltage, or in Scotland, rise to 150% phase-to-earth voltage. The voltage rise would last only for the time that the fault conditions exist. The fault conditions referred to here are those existing when the type of fault is single or two phase-to-earth.
- (c) For connections to the National Electricity Transmission System at nominal System voltages of below 132kV the earthing requirements and voltage rise conditions will be advised by The Company as soon as practicable prior to connection and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall be advised to The Company by the EU Code User.

# ECC.6.2.1.2 Substation Plant and Apparatus

- (a) The following provisions shall apply to all Plant and Apparatus which is connected at the voltage of the Connection Point (and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point ) and which is contained in equipment bays that are within the Transmission busbar Protection zone at the Connection Point. This includes circuit breakers, switch disconnectors, disconnectors, Earthing Devices, power transformers, voltage transformers, reactors, current transformers, surge arresters, bushings, neutral equipment, capacitors, line traps, coupling devices, external insulation and insulation coordination devices. Where necessary, this is as more precisely defined in the Bilateral Agreement.
  - (i) Plant and/or Apparatus in respect of EU Code Users connecting to a new Connection Point (including OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point )

Each item of such Plant and/or Apparatus installed in relation to a new Connection Point (or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point or Remote End HVDC Converter Station at the HVDC Interface Point) shall comply with the relevant Technical Specifications and any further requirements identified by The Company, acting reasonably, to reflect the options to be followed within the Technical Specifications and/or to complement if necessary the Technical Specifications so as to enable The Company to comply with its obligations in relation to the National Electricity Transmission System or the Relevant Transmission Licensee to comply with its obligations in relation to its Transmission System. This information, including the application dates of the relevant Technical Specifications, will be as specified in the Bilateral Agreement.

(ii) <u>EU Code User's Plant and/or Apparatus connecting to an existing Connection Point</u> (including OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point)

Each new additional and/or replacement item of such Plant and/or Apparatus installed in relation to a change to an existing Connection Point (or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point and Connection Point or Remote End HVDC Converter Stations at the HVDC Interface Point)—shall comply with the standards/specifications applicable when the change was designed, or such other standards/specifications as necessary to ensure that the item of Plant and/or Apparatus is reasonably fit for its intended purpose having due regard to the obligations of The Company, the relevant User the Relevant Transmission Licensee under their respective Licences. Where appropriate this information, including the application dates of the relevant standards/specifications, will be as specified in the varied Bilateral Agreement.

(iii) Used Plant and/or Apparatus being moved, re-used or modified

If, after its installation, any such item of **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** is subsequently:

moved to a new location; or

used for a different purpose; or

otherwise modified;

then the standards/specifications as described in (i) or (ii) above as applicable will apply as appropriate to such **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**, which must be reasonably fit for its intended purpose having due regard to the obligations of **The Company**, the relevant **User** and the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** under their respective **Licences**.

- (b) The Company shall at all times maintain a list of those Technical Specifications and additional requirements which might be applicable under this ECC.6.2.1.2 and which may be referenced by The Company in the Bilateral Agreement. The Company shall provide a copy of the list upon request to any EU Code User. The Company shall also provide a copy of the list to any EU Code User upon receipt of an application form for a Bilateral Agreement for a new Connection Point.
- (c) Where the EU Code User provides The Company with information and/or test reports in respect of Plant and/or Apparatus which the EU Code User reasonably believes demonstrate the compliance of such items with the provisions of a Technical Specification then The Company shall promptly and without unreasonable delay give due and proper consideration to such information.
- (d) Plant and Apparatus shall be designed, manufactured and tested in premises with an accredited certificate in accordance with the quality assurance requirements of the relevant standard in the BS EN ISO 9000 series (or equivalent as reasonably approved by The Company) or in respect of test premises which do not include a manufacturing facility premises with an accredited certificate in accordance with BS EN 45001.
- (e) Each connection between a User and the National Electricity Transmission System must be controlled by a circuit-breaker (or circuit breakers) capable of interrupting the maximum short circuit current at the point of connection. The Electricity Ten Year Statement gives values of short circuit current and the rating of Transmission circuit breakers at existing and committed Connection Points for future years.
- (f) Each connection between a Generator undertaking OTSDUW or an Onshore Transmission Licensee, must be controlled by a circuit breaker (or circuit breakers) capable of interrupting the maximum short circuit current at the Transmission Interface Point. The Electricity Ten Year Statement gives values of short circuit current and the rating of Transmission circuit breakers at existing and committed Transmission Interface Points for future years.
- ECC.6.2.2 Requirements at Connection Points or, in the case of OTSDUW at Interface Points that relate to Generators or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus
- ECC.6.2.2.1 Not Used.
- ECC.6.2.2.2 <u>Power Generating Module, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, HVDC Equipment and Power Station Protection Arrangements</u>
- ECC.6.2.2.2.1 Minimum Requirements
- ECC.6.2.2.2.1.1 Protection of Power Generating Modules (other than Power Park Units), HVDC Equipment, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and their connections to the National Electricity Transmission System shall meet the requirements given below. These are necessary to reduce the impact on the National Electricity Transmission System of faults on OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus circuits or circuits owned by Generators (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC System Owners.
- ECC.6.2.2.2.1.2 Restoration Contractors shall, if required by a Restoration Plan, have the ability to switch:
  - a) From the normal to the alternative **Protection** settings on their **Plant** and **Apparatus** and:-
  - b) From the alternative to the normal **Protection** settings whilst their **Plant** remains in service.

Any alternative **Protection** settings shall be included in the **Restoration Plan**. Normal and alternative **Protection** settings shall be agreed between **The Company** and/or **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and/or **Network Operator** as part of developing a **Restoration Plan**.

#### ECC.6.2.2.2. Fault Clearance Times

- (a) The required fault clearance time for faults on the Generator's (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC System Owner's equipment directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and for faults on the National Electricity Transmission System directly connected to the EU Generator (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC System Owner's equipment or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, from fault inception to the circuit breaker arc extinction, shall be set out in the Bilateral Agreement. The fault clearance time specified in the Bilateral Agreement shall not be shorter than the durations specified in (i), (ii) and (iii) below:
  - (i) 80ms for connections operating at a nominal voltage of greater than 300kV
  - (ii) 100ms for connections operating at a nominal voltage of greater than 132kV and up to 300kV
  - (iii) 120ms for connections operating at a nominal voltage of 132kV and below

but this shall not prevent the **User** or **The Company** or the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** or the **EU Generator** (including in respect of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** and **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) from selecting a shorter fault clearance time on their own **Plant** and **Apparatus** provided **Discrimination** is achieved.

A longer fault clearance time may be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** for faults on the **National Electricity Transmission System**. A longer fault clearance time for faults on the **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner's** equipment or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** may be agreed with **The Company** in accordance with the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement** but only if **System** requirements, in **The Company's** view, permit. The probability that the fault clearance time stated in the **Bilateral Agreement** will be exceeded by any given fault, must be less than 2%.

(b) In the event that the required fault clearance time is not met as a result of failure to operate on the Main Protection System(s) provided, the Generators or HVDC System Owners or Generators in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall, except as specified below provide Independent Back-Up Protection. The Relevant Transmission Licensee will also provide Back-Up Protection and the Relevant Transmission Licensee's and the User's Back-Up Protections will be co-ordinated so as to provide Discrimination.

On a Power Generating Module (other than a Power Park Unit), HVDC Equipment or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and connected to the National Electricity Transmission System operating at a nominal voltage of greater than 132kV and where two Independent Main Protections are provided to clear faults on the HV Connections within the required fault clearance time, the Back-Up Protection provided by EU Generators (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and DC Connected Power Park Modules) and HVDC System Owners shall operate to give a fault clearance time of no longer than 300ms at the minimum infeed for normal operation for faults on the HV Connections. Where two Independent Main Protections are installed the Back-Up Protection may be integrated into one (or both) of the Independent Main Protection relays.

On a Power Generating Module (other than a Power Park Unit), HVDC Equipment or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and connected to the National Electricity Transmission System at 132 kV and below and where only one Main Protection is provided to clear faults on the HV Connections within the required fault clearance time, the Independent Back-Up Protection provided by the Generator (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus and DC Connected Power Park Modules) and the HVDC System Owner shall operate to give a fault clearance time of no longer than 300ms at the minimum infeed for normal operation for faults on the HV Connections.

A Power Generating Module (other than a Power Park Unit), HVDC Equipment or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) with Back-Up Protection or Independent Back-Up Protection will also be required to withstand, without tripping, the loading incurred during the clearance of a fault on the National Electricity Transmission System by breaker fail Protection at a nominal voltage of greater than 132kV or of a fault cleared by Back-Up Protection where the EU Generator (including in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or DC Connected Power Park Module) or HVDC System is connected at 132kV and below. This will permit Discrimination between the Generator in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or DC Connected Power Park Modules or HVDC System Owners' Back-Up Protection or Independent Back-Up Protection and the Back-Up Protection provided on the National Electricity Transmission System and other Users' Systems.

- (c) When the Power Generating Module (other than Power Park Units), or the HVDC Equipment or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus is connected to the National Electricity **Transmission System** operating at a nominal voltage of greater than 132kV, and in Scotland and Offshore also at 132kV, and a circuit breaker is provided by the Generator (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or DC Connected Power Park Modules) or the HVDC System owner, or the Relevant Transmission Licensee, as the case may be, to interrupt fault current interchange with the National Electricity Transmission System, or Generator's System, or HVDC System Owner's System, as the case may be, circuit breaker fail **Protection** shall be provided by the **Generator** (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC System-Owner, or the Relevant Transmission Licensee, as the case may be, on this circuit breaker. In the event, following operation of a Protection system, of a failure to interrupt fault current by these circuit-breakers within the Fault Current Interruption Time, the circuit breaker fail Protection is required to initiate tripping of all the necessary electrically adjacent circuit-breakers so as to interrupt the fault current within the next 200ms.
- (d) The target performance for the **System Fault Dependability Index** shall be not less than 99%. This is a measure of the ability of **Protection** to initiate successful tripping of circuit breakers which are associated with the faulty item of **Apparatus**.

# ECC.6.2.2.3 Equipment including **Protection** equipment to be provided

The Relevant Transmission Licensee shall specify the Protection schemes and settings necessary to protect the National Electricity Transmission System, taking into account the characteristics of the Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment.

The protection schemes needed for the **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** and the **National Electricity Transmission System** as well as the settings relevant to the **Power Generating Module** and/or **HVDC Equipment** shall be coordinated and agreed between **The Company** and the **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner**. The agreed **Protection** schemes and settings will be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

The protection schemes and settings for internal electrical faults must not prevent the **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** from satisfying the requirements of the Grid Code although **EU Generators** should be aware of the requirements of ECC.6.3.13.1.;

electrical Protection of the Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment shall take precedence over operational controls, taking into account the security of the National Electricity Transmission System and the health and safety of personnel, as well as mitigating any damage to the Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment.

# ECC.6.2.2.3.1 Protection of Interconnecting Connections

The requirements for the provision of **Protection** equipment for interconnecting connections will be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**. In this **ECC** the term "interconnecting connections" means the primary conductors from the current transformer accommodation on the circuit side of the circuit breaker to the **Connection Point** or the primary conductors from the current transformer accommodation on the circuit side of the **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** of the circuit breaker to the **Transmission Interface Point**.

#### ECC.6.2.2.3.2 Circuit-breaker fail Protection

The EU Generator or HVDC System Owner will install circuit breaker fail Protection equipment in accordance with the requirements of the Bilateral Agreement. The EU Generator or HVDC System Owner will also provide a back-trip signal in the event of loss of air from its pressurised head circuit breakers, during the Power Generating Module (other than a CCGT Unit or Power Park Unit) or HVDC Equipment run-up sequence, where these circuit breakers are installed.

# ECC.6.2.2.3.3 Loss of Excitation

The **EU Generator** must provide **Protection** to detect loss of excitation in respect of each of its **Generating Units** within a **Synchronous Power Generating Module** to initiate a **Generating Unit** trip.

#### ECC.6.2.2.3.4 Pole-Slipping Protection

Where, in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, **System** requirements dictate, **The Company** will specify in the **Bilateral Agreement** a requirement for **EU Generators** to fit pole-slipping **Protection** on their **Generating Units** within each **Synchronous Power Generating Module**.

#### ECC.6.2.2.3.5 Signals for Tariff Metering

**EU Generators** and **HVDC System Owners** will install current and voltage transformers supplying all tariff meters at a voltage to be specified in, and in accordance with, the **Bilateral Agreement**.

#### ECC.6.2.2.3.6 Commissioning of Protection Systems

No **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** equipment shall be energised until the **Protection** settings have been finalised. The **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** shall agree with **The Company** (in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**) and carry out a combined commissioning programme for the **Protection** systems, and generally, to a minimum standard as specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

# ECC.6.2.2.4 Work on Protection Equipment

No busbar **Protection**, mesh corner **Protection**, circuit-breaker fail **Protection** relays, AC or DC wiring (other than power supplies or DC tripping associated with the **Power Generating Module**, **HVDC Equipment** itself) may be worked upon or altered by the **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** personnel in the absence of a representative of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** to perform such work or alterations in the absence of a representative of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**.

#### ECC.6.2.2.5 Relay Settings

**Protection** and relay settings will be co-ordinated (both on connection and subsequently) across the **Connection Point** in accordance with the **Bilateral Agreement** and in relation to **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, across the **Interface Point** in accordance with the **Bilateral Agreement** to ensure effective disconnection of faulty **Apparatus**.

#### ECC.6.2.2.6 Changes to **Protection** Schemes and **HVDC System** Control Modes

- ECC.6.2.2.6.1 Any subsequent alterations to the protection settings (whether by **The Company**, the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, the **EU Generator**, or the **HVDC System Owner**) shall be agreed between **The Company** (in co-ordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**) and the **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** in accordance with the Grid Code (ECC.6.2.2.5). No alterations are to be made to any protection schemes unless agreement has been reached between **The Company**, the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, the **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner**.
- ECC.6.2.2.6.2 The parameters of different control modes of the **HVDC System** shall be able to be changed in the **HVDC Converter Station**, if required by **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and in accordance with ECC.6.2.2.6.4.
- ECC.6.2.2.6.3 Any change to the schemes or settings of parameters of the different control modes and protection of the HVDC System including the procedure shall be agreed with The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and the HVDC System Owner.
- ECC.6.2.2.6.4 The control modes and associated set points shall be capable of being changed remotely, as specified by **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**.
- ECC.6.2.2.7 Control Schemes and Settings
- ECC.6.2.2.7.1 The schemes and settings of the different control devices on the Power Generating Module and HVDC Equipment that are necessary for Transmission System stability and for taking emergency action shall be agreed with The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and the EU Generator or HVDC System Owner. Restoration Contractors shall have the ability to switch from alternative control schemes and settings on their Plant and Apparatus whilst remaining in service if they are required to satisfy their obligations in a Restoration Plan. Changes to any control schemes and settings shall be agreed between The Company and/or Relevant Transmission Licensee and/or Network Operator as part of developing a Restoration Plan which shall be in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.2.2.6.
- ECC.6.2.2.7.2 Subject to the requirements of ECC.6.2.2.7.1 any changes to the schemes and settings, defined in ECC.6.2.2.7.1, of the different control devices of the **Power Generating Module** or **Restoration Contractor** or **HVDC Equipment** shall be coordinated and agreed between the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, the **EU Generator**, **Restoration Contractor** and **HVDC System Owner**.
- ECC.6.2.2.8 Ranking of Protection and Control
- ECC.6.2.2.8.1 **The Company** in coordination with **Relevant Transmission Licensees**, shall agree and coordinate the protection and control devices of **EU Generators Plant** and **Apparatus** in accordance with the following general priority ranking (from highest to lowest):
  - (i) The interface between the **National Electricity Transmission System** and the **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment Protection** equipment;
  - (ii) frequency control (active power adjustment);
  - (iii) power restriction; and
  - (iv) power gradient constraint;
- ECC.6.2.2.8.2 A control scheme, specified by the **HVDC System Owner** consisting of different control modes, including the settings of the specific parameters, shall be coordinated and agreed between **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and the **HVDC System Owner**. These details would be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECC.6.2.2.8.3 **The Company** in coordination with **Relevant Transmission Licensees**, shall agree and coordinate the protection and control devices of **HVDC System Owners Plant** and **Apparatus** in accordance with the following general priority ranking (from highest to lowest)
  - (i) The interface between the **National Electricity Transmission System** and **HVDC System Protection** equipment;
  - (ii) Active Power control for emergency assistance

- (iii) automatic remedial actions as specified in ECC.6.3.6.1.2.5
- (iv) Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode (LFSM) of operation;
- (v) Frequency Sensitive Mode of operation and Frequency control; and
- (vi) power gradient constraint.

#### ECC.6.2.2.9 Synchronising

- ECC.6.2.2.9.1 For any **Power Generating Module** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or **Type D Power Generating Module**, synchronisation shall be performed by the **EU Generator** only after instruction by **The Company** in accordance with the requirements of BC.2.5.2.
- ECC.6.2.2.9.2 Each **Power Generating Module** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or **Type D Power Generating Module** shall be equipped with the necessary synchronisation facilities. Synchronisation shall be possible within the range of frequencies specified in ECC.6.1.2.
- ECC.6.2.2.9.3 The requirements for synchronising equipment shall be specified in accordance with the requirements in the **Electrical Standards** listed in the annex to the **General Conditions**. The synchronisation settings shall include the following elements below. Any variation to these requirements shall be pursuant to the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement**.
  - (a) voltage
  - (b) Frequency
  - (c) phase angle range
  - (d) phase sequence
  - (e) deviation of voltage and Frequency
- ECC.6.2.2.9.4 HVDC Equipment shall be required to satisfy the requirements of ECC.6.2.2.9.1 ECC.6.2.2.9.3. In addition, unless otherwise specified by The Company, during the synchronisation of a DC Connected Power Park Module to the National Electricity Transmission System, any HVDC Equipment shall have the capability to limit any steady state voltage changes to the limits specified within ECC.6.1.7 or ECC.6.1.8 (as applicable) which shall not exceed 5% of the pre-synchronisation voltage. The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall specify any additional requirements for the maximum magnitude, duration and measurement of the voltage transients over and above those defined in ECC.6.1.7 and ECC.6.1.8 in the Bilateral Agreement.
- ECC.6.2.2.9.5 **EU Generators** in respect of **DC Connected Power Park Modules** shall also provide output synchronisation signals specified by **The Company** in co-ordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**.
- ECC.6.2.2.9.6 In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.2.2.9.1 to ECC.6.2.2.9.5, **EU Generators** and **HVDC System Owners** should also be aware of the requirements of ECC.6.5.10 relating to busbar voltage
- ECC.6.2.2.9.10 HVDC Parameters and Settings
- The parameters and settings of the main control functions of an HVDC System shall be agreed between the HVDC System owner and The Company, in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee. The parameters and settings shall be implemented within such a control hierarchy that makes their modification possible if necessary. Those main control functions are at least:
  - (b) Frequency Sensitive Modes (FSM, LFSM-O, LFSM-U);
  - (c) **Frequency** control, if applicable;
  - (d) Reactive Power control mode, if applicable;

- (e) power oscillation damping capability;
- (f) subsynchronous torsional interaction damping capability,.

#### ECC.6.2.2.11 Automatic Reconnection

ECC.6.2.2.11.1 EU Generators in respect of Type A, Type B, Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) which have signed a CUSC Contract with The Company are not permitted to automatically reconnect to the Total System without instruction from The Company. The Company will issue instructions for reconnection or re-synchronisation in accordance with the requirements of BC2.5.2. Where synchronising is permitted in accordance with BC2.5.2, the voltage and frequency at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point shall be within the limits defined in ECC.6.1.2 and ECC.6.1.4 and the ramp rate limits pursuant to BC1.A.1.1. For the avoidance of doubt this requirement does not apply to EU Generators who are not required to satisfy the requirements of the Balancing Codes.

# ECC.6.2.2.12 <u>Automatic Disconnection</u>

- ECC.6.2.2.12.1 No **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** shall disconnect within the frequency range or voltage range defined in ECC.6.1.2 and ECC.6.1.4.
- ECC.6.2.2.13 <u>Special Provisions relating to Power Generating Modules embedded within Industrial Sites</u> which supply electricity as a bi-product of their industrial process
- ECC.6.2.2.13.1 **Generators** in respect of **Power Generating Modules** which form part of an industrial network, where the **Power Generating Module** is used to supply critical loads within the industrial process shall be permitted to operate isolated from the **Total System** if agreed with **The Company** in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECC.6.2.2.13.2 Except for the requirements of ECC.6.3.3 and ECC.6.3.7.1, **Power Generating Modules** which are embedded within industrial sites are not required to satisfy the requirements of ECC.6.3.6.2.1 and ECC.6.3.9. In this case this exception would only apply to **Power Generating Modules** on industrial sites used for combined heat and power production which are embedded in the network of an industrial site where all the following criteria are met.
  - (a) The primary purpose of these sites is to produce heat for production processes of the industrial site concerned,
  - (b) Heat and power generation is inextricably interlinked, that is to say any change to heat generation results inadvertently in a change of active power generating and vica versa.
  - (c) The Power Generating Modules are of Type A, Type B or Type C.
  - (d) Combined heat and power generating facilities shall be assessed on the basis of their electrical **Maximum Capacity**.
- ECC.6.2.3 Requirements at EU Grid Supply Points relating to Network Operators and Non-Embedded Customers
- ECC.6.2.3.1 <u>Protection Arrangements for EU Code Users in respect of Network Operators and Non-</u> Embedded Customers
- ECC.6.2.3.1.1 Protection arrangements for EU Code Users in respect of Network Operators and Non-Embedded Customers User Systems directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System, shall meet the requirements given below:

# Fault Clearance Times

(a) The required fault clearance time for faults on Network Operator and Non-Embedded Customer equipment directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System, and for faults on the National Electricity Transmission System directly connected to the Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's equipment, from fault inception to the circuit breaker arc extinction, shall be set out in each Bilateral Agreement. The fault clearance time specified in the Bilateral Agreement shall not be shorter than the durations specified in (i), (ii) and (iii) below:

- (i) 80ms for connections operating at a nominal voltage of greater than 300kV
- (ii) 100ms for connections operating at a nominal voltage of greater than 132kV and up to 300kV
- (iii) 120ms for connections operating at a nominal voltage of greater than 132kV and below

but this shall not prevent the **User** or **The Company** or **Relevant Transmission Licensee** from selecting a shorter fault clearance time on its own **Plant** and **Apparatus** provided **Discrimination** is achieved.

For the purpose of establishing the **Protection** requirements in accordance with ECC.6.2.3.1.1 only, the point of connection of the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** equipment to the **National Electricity Transmission System** shall be deemed to be the low voltage busbars at an **EU Grid Supply Point**, irrespective of the ownership of the equipment at the **EU Grid Supply Point**.

A longer fault clearance time may be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** for faults on the **National Electricity Transmission System**. A longer fault clearance time for faults on the **Network Operator** and **Non-Embedded Customers** equipment may be agreed with **The Company** in accordance with the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement** but only if **System** requirements in **The Company's** view permit. The probability that the fault clearance time stated in the **Bilateral Agreement** will be exceeded by any given fault must be less than 2%.

- (b) (i) For the event of failure of the **Protection** systems provided to meet the above fault clearance time requirements, **Back-Up Protection** shall be provided by the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** as the case may be.
  - (ii) The Relevant Transmission Licensee will also provide Back-Up Protection, which will result in a fault clearance time longer than that specified for the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer Back-Up Protection so as to provide Discrimination.
  - (iii) For connections with the National Electricity Transmission System at 132kV and below, it is normally required that the Back-Up Protection on the National Electricity Transmission System shall discriminate with the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer's Back-Up Protection.
  - (iv) For connections with the National Electricity Transmission System operating at a nominal voltage greater than 132kV, the Back-Up Protection will be provided by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, as the case may be, with a fault clearance time not longer than 300ms for faults on the Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Apparatus.
  - (v) Such Protection will also be required to withstand, without tripping, the loading incurred during the clearance of a fault on the National Electricity Transmission System by breaker fail Protection operating at a nominal voltage of greater than 132kV. This will permit Discrimination between Network Operator's Back-Up Protection or Non-Embedded Customer's Back-Up Protection, as the case may be, and Back-Up Protection provided on the National Electricity Transmission System and other User Systems. The requirement for and level of Discrimination required will be specified in the Bilateral Agreement.
- (c) (i) Where the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer is connected to part of the National Electricity Transmission System operating at a nominal voltage greater than 132kV and in Scotland also at 132kV, and a circuit breaker is provided by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, or the Relevant Transmission Licensee, as the case may be, to interrupt the interchange of fault current with the National Electricity Transmission System or the System of the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, as the case may be, circuit breaker fail Protection will be provided by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, or the Relevant Transmission Licensee, as the case may

be, on this circuit breaker.

- (ii) In the event, following operation of a **Protection** system, of a failure to interrupt fault current by these circuit-breakers within the **Fault Current Interruption Time**, the circuit breaker fail **Protection** is required to initiate tripping of all the necessary electrically adjacent circuit-breakers so as to interrupt the fault current within the next 200ms.
- (d) The target performance for the **System Fault Dependability Index** shall be not less than 99%. This is a measure of the ability of **Protection** to initiate successful tripping of circuit breakers which are associated with the faulty items of **Apparatus**.

#### ECC.6.2.3.2 Fault Disconnection Facilities

- (a) Where no Transmission circuit breaker is provided at the User's connection voltage, the User must provide The Company with the means of tripping all the User's circuit breakers necessary to isolate faults or System abnormalities on the National Electricity Transmission System. In these circumstances, for faults on the User's System, the User's Protection should also trip higher voltage Transmission circuit breakers. These tripping facilities shall be in accordance with the requirements specified in the Bilateral Agreement.
- (b) The Company may require the installation of a System to Generator Operational Intertripping Scheme in order to enable the timely restoration of circuits following power System fault(s). These requirements shall be set out in the relevant Bilateral Agreement.

# ECC.6.2.3.3 <u>Automatic Switching Equipment</u>

Where automatic reclosure of **Transmission** circuit breakers is required following faults on the **User's System**, automatic switching equipment shall be provided in accordance with the requirements specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

# ECC.6.2.3.4 Relay Settings

**Protection** and relay settings will be co-ordinated (both on connection and subsequently) across the **Connection Point** in accordance with the **Bilateral Agreement** to ensure effective disconnection of faulty **Apparatus**.

#### ECC.6.2.3.5 Work on Protection equipment

Where a **Transmission Licensee** owns the busbar at the **Connection Point**, no busbar **Protection**, mesh corner **Protection** relays, AC or DC wiring (other than power supplies or DC tripping associated with the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer's Apparatus** itself) may be worked upon or altered by the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** personnel in the absence of a representative of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** to perform such work or alterations in the absence of a representative of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**.

# ECC.6.2.3.6 Equipment including **Protection** equipment to be provided

The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall specify and agree the Protection schemes and settings at each EU Grid Supply Point required to protect the National Electricity Transmission System in accordance with the characteristics of the Network Operator's or Non Embedded Customer's System. The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and the Network Operator or Non Embedded Customer shall agree on the protection schemes and settings in respect of the busbar protection zone in respect of each EU Grid Supply Point.

Protection of the Network Operator's or Non Embedded Customer's System shall take precedence over operational controls whilst respecting the security of the National Electricity Transmission System and the health and safety of staff and the public.

# ECC.6.2.3.6.1 <u>Protection of Interconnecting Connections</u>

The requirements for the provision of **Protection** equipment for interconnecting connections will be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

# ECC.6.2.3.7 Changes to Protection Schemes

#### ECC.6.2.3.7.1 At EU Grid Supply Points

Any alterations to the busbar protection settings at the EU Grid Supply Point (whether by The Company, the Relevant Transmission Licensee, the Network Operator or the Non Embedded Customer) shall be agreed between The Company (in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee) and the Network Operator or Non Embedded Customer in accordance with the Grid Code (ECC.6.2.3.4). No alterations are to be made to any busbar protection schemes unless agreement has been reached between The Company, the Relevant Transmission Licensee, the Network Operator or Non Embedded Customer.

No **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** equipment shall be energised until the **Protection** settings have been agreed prior to commissioning. The **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** shall agree with **The Company** (in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**) and carry out a combined commissioning programme for the **Protection** systems, and generally, to a minimum standard as specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

# ECC.6.2.3.7.2 Network Operators Systems

Network Operators shall, if required in a Restoration Plan, have the ability to switch:-

- a) From the normal to the alternative **Protection** settings on their **Plant** and **Apparatus**;
   and:-
- b) From the alternative to the normal **Protection** settings whilst their **Plant** remains in service.

Any alternative **Protection** settings shall be included in the **Restoration Plan**. Normal and alternative **Protection** settings shall be agreed between **The Company** and the **Network Operator** as part of developing a **Restoration Plan**.

#### ECC.6.2.3.8 Control Requirements

ECC.6.2.3.8.1 The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and the Network Operator or Non Embedded Customer shall agree on the control schemes and settings at each EU Grid Supply Point of the different control devices of the Network Operator's or Non Embedded Customer's System relevant for security of the National Electricity Transmission System. Such requirements would be pursuant to the terms of the Bilateral Agreement which shall also cover at least the following elements:

- (a) Isolated (National Electricity Transmission System) operation;
- (b) Damping of oscillations;
- (c) Disturbances to the National Electricity Transmission System;
- (d) Automatic switching to emergency supply and restoration to normal topology;
- (e) Automatic circuit breaker re-closure (on 1-phase faults).

ECC.6.2.3.8.2 Subject to the requirements of ECC.6.2.3.8.1, any changes to the schemes and settings, defined in ECC.6.2.3.8.1 of the different control devices of the Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's System at the EU Grid Supply Point shall be coordinated and agreed between The Company, the Relevant Transmission Licensee, the Network Operator or Non Embedded Customer. Network Operators shall have the ability to switch between alternative control settings on their Plant and Apparatus if they are required to do so to be able to satisfy their obligations of a Restoration Plan. Any alternative control settings shall be included in the Restoration Plan.

# ECC.6.2.3.9 Ranking of Protection and Control

- ECC.6.2.3.9.1 The **Network Operator** or the **Non Embedded Customer** who owns or operates an **EU Grid Supply Point** shall set the **Protection** and control devices of its **System**, in compliance with the following priority ranking, organised in decreasing order of importance:
  - (a) National Electricity Transmission System Protection;
  - (b) Protection equipment at each EU Grid Supply Point;
  - (c) Frequency control (Active Power adjustment);
  - (d) Power restriction.

## ECC.6.2.3.10 Synchronising

- ECC.6.2.3.10.1 Each **Network Operator** or **Non Embedded Customer** at each **EU Grid Supply Point** shall be capable of synchronisation within the range of frequencies specified in ECC.6.1.2 unless otherwise agreed with **The Company**.
- ECC.6.2.3.10.2 The Company and the Network Operator or Non Embedded Customer shall agree on the settings of the synchronisation equipment at each EU Grid Supply Point prior to the Completion Date. The Company and the relevant Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer shall agree the synchronisation settings which shall include the following elements.
  - (a) Voltage;
  - (b) Frequency;
  - (c) phase angle range;
  - (d) deviation of voltage and Frequency.
- ECC.6.3 <u>GENERAL POWER GENERATING MODULE, OTSDUW AND HVDC EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS</u>
- This section sets out the technical and design criteria and performance requirements for Power Generating Modules (which includes Electricity Storage Modules) and HVDC Equipment (whether directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System or Embedded) and (where provided in this section) OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus which each Generator or HVDC System Owner must ensure are complied with in relation to its Power Generating Modules, HVDC Equipment and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus. References to Power Generating Modules, HVDC Equipment in this ECC.6.3 should be read accordingly. For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements applicable to Synchronous Power Generating Modules also apply to Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules and the requirements applicable to Power Park Modules apply to Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules also apply irrespective of whether the Electricity Storage Module operates in such a mode as to import or export power from the Total System.

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ECC.6.3.2 REACTIVE CAPABILITY

ECC.6.3.2.1 Reactive Capability for Type B Synchronous Power Generating Modules

- ECC.6.3.2.1.1 When operating at Maximum Capacity, all Type B Synchronous Power Generating Modules must be capable of continuous operation at any points between the limits of 0.95 Power Factor lagging and 0.95 Power Factor leading at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point unless otherwise agreed with The Company or relevant Network Operator. At Active Power output levels other than Maximum Capacity, all Generating Units within a Type B Synchronous Power Generating Module must be capable of continuous operation at any point between the Reactive Power capability limits identified on the HV Generator Performance Chart unless otherwise agreed with The Company or relevant Network Operator.
- ECC.6.3.2.2 Reactive Capability for Type B Power Park Modules
- ECC.6.3.2.2.1 When operating at Maximum Capacity all Type B Power Park Modules must be capable of continuous operation at any points between the limits of 0.95 Power Factor lagging and 0.95 Power Factor leading at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point unless otherwise agreed with The Company or relevant Network Operator. At Active Power output levels other than Maximum Capacity, each Power Park Module must be capable of continuous operation at any point between the Reactive Power capability limits identified on the HV Generator Performance Chart unless otherwise agreed with The Company or Network Operator.
- ECC.6.3.2.3 Reactive Capability for Type C and D Synchronous Power Generating Modules
- In addition to meeting the requirements of ECC.6.3.2.3.2 ECC.6.3.2.3.5, **EU Generators** which connect a **Type C** or **Type D Synchronous Power Generating Module**(s) to a **Non Embedded Customers System** or private network, may be required to meet additional reactive compensation requirements at the point of connection between the **System** and the **Non Embedded Customer** or private network where this is required for **System** reasons.
- All Type C and Type D Synchronous Power Generating Modules shall be capable of satisfying the Reactive Power capability requirements at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point as defined in Figure ECC.6.3.2.3 when operating at Maximum Capacity.
- At Active Power output levels other than Maximum Capacity, all Generating Units within a Synchronous Power Generating Module must be capable of continuous operation at any point between the Reactive Power capability limit identified on the HV Generator Performance Chart at least down to the Minimum Stable Operating Level. At reduced Active Power output, Reactive Power supplied at the Grid Entry Point (or User System Entry Point if Embedded) shall correspond to the HV Generator Performance Chart of the Synchronous Power Generating Module, taking the auxiliary supplies and the Active Power and Reactive Power losses of the Generating Unit transformer or Station Transformer into account.

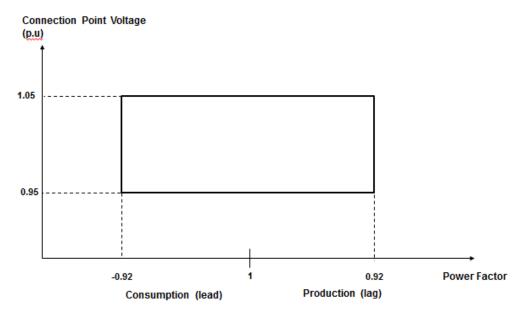


Figure ECC.6.3.2.3

- In addition, to the requirements of ECC.6.3.2.3.1 ECC.6.3.2.3.3 the short circuit ratio of all **Onshore Synchronous Generating Units** with an **Apparent Power** rating of less than 1600MVA shall not be less than 0.5. The short circuit ratio of **Onshore Synchronous Generating Units** with a rated **Apparent Power** of 1600MVA or above shall be not less than 0.4.
- ECC.6.3.2.4 Reactive Capability for Type C and D Power Park Modules, HVDC Equipment and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point
- EU Generators or HVDC System Owners which connect an Onshore Type C or Onshore Type D Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment to a Non Embedded Customers System or private network, may be required to meet additional reactive compensation requirements at the point of connection between the System and the Non Embedded Customer or private network where this is required for System reasons.
- ECC.6.3.2.4.2 All Onshore Type C Power Park Modules and Onshore Type D Power Park Modules or HVDC Converters at an HVDC Converter Station with a Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point voltage above 33kV, or Remote End HVDC Converters with an HVDC Interface Point voltage above 33kV, or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus with an Interface Point voltage above 33kV shall be capable of satisfying the Reactive Power capability requirements at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, or HVDC Interface Point in the case of a Remote End HVDC Converter Station) as defined in Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(a) when operating at Maximum Capacity (or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSUW Plant and Apparatus). In the case of Remote End HVDC Converters and DC Connected Power Park Modules, The Company in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee may agree to alternative reactive capability requirements to those specified in Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(a), where it is demonstrated that it is uneconomic and inefficient to do so, for example in the case of new technologies or advanced control strategies. For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements for Offshore Power Park Modules and DC Connected Power Park Modules are defined in ECC.6.3.2.5 and ECC.6.3.2.6.

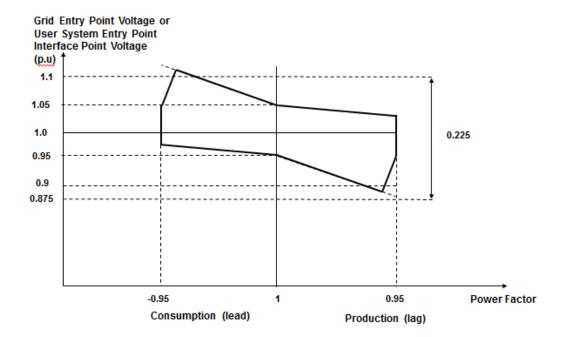


Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(a)

All Onshore Type C or Type D Power Park Modules or HVDC Converters at a HVDC Converter Station with a Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point voltage at or below 33kV or Remote End HVDC Converter Station with an HVDC Interface Point Voltage at or below 33kV shall be capable of satisfying the Reactive Power capability requirements at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point as defined in Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(b) when operating at Maximum Capacity. In the case of Remote End HVDC Converters The Company in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee may agree to alternative reactive capability requirements to those specified in Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(b), where it is demonstrated that it is uneconomic and inefficient to do so, for example in the case of new technologies or advanced control strategies. For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements for Offshore Power Park Modules and DC Connected Power Park Modules are defined in ECC.6.3.2.5 and ECC.6.3.2.6.

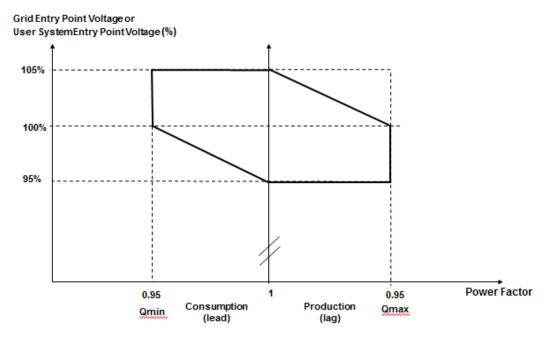


Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(b)

All Type C and Type D Power Park Modules, HVDC Converters at a HVDC Converter Station including Remote End HVDC Converters or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, shall be capable of satisfying the Reactive Power capability requirements at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSUW Plant and Apparatus or HVDC Interface Point in the case of Remote End HVDC Converter Stations) as defined in Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(c) when operating below Maximum Capacity. With all Plant in service, the Reactive Power limits will reduce linearly below 50% Active Power output as shown in Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(c) unless the requirement to maintain the Reactive Power limits defined at Maximum Capacity (or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) under absorbing Reactive Power conditions down to 20% Active Power output has been specified by The Company. These Reactive Power limits will be reduced pro rata to the amount of Plant in service. In the case of Remote End HVDC Converters, The Company in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee may agree to alternative reactive capability requirements to those specified in Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(a), where it is demonstrated that it is uneconomic and inefficient to do so, for example in the case of new technologies or advanced control strategies. For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements for Offshore Power Park Modules and DC Connected Power Park Modules are defined in ECC.6.3.2.5 and ECC.6.3.2.6.

ECC.6.3.2.4.4

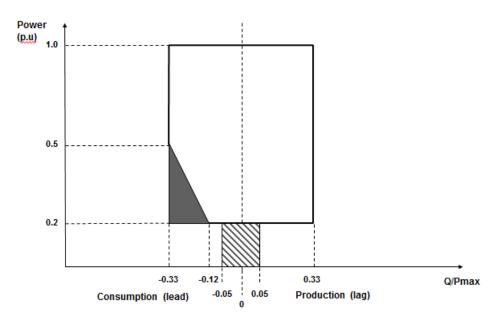


Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(c)

ECC.6.3.2.5 Reactive Capability for Offshore Synchronous Power Generating Modules,

Configuration 1 AC connected Offshore Power Park Modules and Configuration 1 DC

Connected Power Park Modules.

The short circuit ratio of any Offshore Synchronous Generating Units within a Synchronous Power Generating Module shall not be less than 0.5. Notwithstanding the requirements of ECC.6.3.2.5.2 and ECC.6.3.2.5.3, all Offshore Synchronous Generating Units, Configuration 1 AC Connected Offshore Power Park Modules or Configuration 1 DC Connected Power Park Modules must be capable of maintaining zero transfer of Reactive Power at the Offshore Grid Entry Point. The steady state tolerance on Reactive Power transfer to and from an Offshore Transmission System expressed in MVAr shall be no greater than 5% of the Maximum Capacity.

ECC.6.3.2.5.2 If an **EU Generator** (including those in respect of **DC Connected Power Park Modules** or those which are **Restoration Contractors**), wish to provide a **Reactive Power** capability in excess of the minimum requirements defined in ECC.6.3.2.5.1, then such capability (including steady state tolerance) shall be agreed between the **Generator**, **Offshore Transmission Licensee** and **The Company** and/or the relevant **Network Operator**.

In the case of EU Code Users and Restoration Contractors who own and operate Anchor Plant and/or Top Up Restoration Plant or EU Code Users who own and operate Plant and Apparatus which is operating with a Grid Forming Capability in service, the Reactive Power capability requirements (including steady state tolerance) at the Offshore Grid Entry Point shall be agreed between the Restoration Contractor or EU Code User, the Offshore Transmission Licensee and The Company in order to facilitate the operation of an Offshore Local Joint Restoration Plan.

ECC.6.3.2.6 Reactive Capability for Configuration 2 AC Connected Offshore Power Park Modules and Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules.

All Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Modules and Configuration 2

DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of satisfying the minimum Reactive
Power capability requirements at the Offshore Grid Entry Point as defined in Figure
ECC.6.3.2.6(a) when operating at Maximum Capacity. The Company in co-ordination
with the Relevant Transmission Licensee may agree to alternative reactive capability
requirements to those specified in Figure ECC.6.3.2.6(a), where it is demonstrated that it
is uneconomic and inefficient to do so, for example in the case of new technologies or
advanced control strategies.

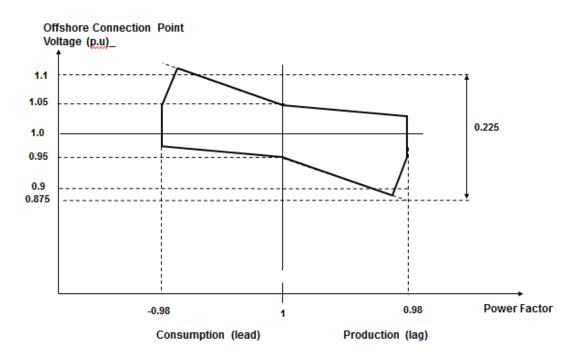


Figure ECC.6.3.2.6(a)

All AC Connected Configuration 2 Offshore Power Park Modules and Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of satisfying the Reactive Power capability requirements at the Offshore Grid Entry Point as defined in Figure ECC.6.3.2.6(b) when operating below Maximum Capacity. With all Plant in service, the Reactive Power limits will reduce linearly below 50% Active Power output as shown in Figure ECC.6.3.2.6(b) unless the requirement to maintain the Reactive Power limits defined at Maximum Capacity (or Interface Point Capacity in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) under absorbing Reactive Power conditions down to 20% Active Power output has been specified with The Company. These Reactive Power limits will be reduced pro rata to the amount of Plant in service. The Company in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee may agree to alternative reactive capability requirements to those specified in Figure ECC.6.3.2.6(b), where it is demonstrated that it is uneconomic and inefficient to do so, for example in the case of new technologies or advanced control strategies.

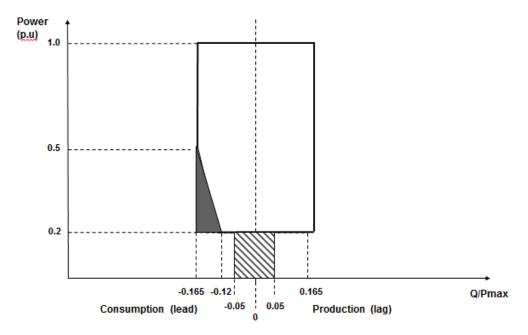
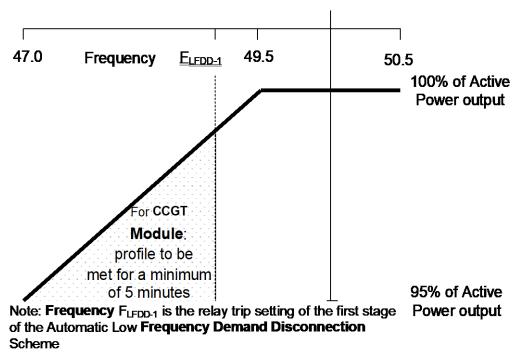


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- ECC.6.3.2.6.3 For the avoidance of doubt, if an **EU Generator** (including **Generators** in respect of **DC Connected Power Park Modules** or those which are **Restoration Contractors** referred to in ECC.6.3.2.6.2) wishes to provide a **Reactive Power** capability in excess of the minimum requirements defined in ECC.6.3.2.6.1, then such capability (including any steady state tolerance) shall be agreed between the **EU Generator**, **Offshore Transmission Licensee** and **The Company** and/or the relevant **Network Operator**.
- ECC.6.3.2.6.4 In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.2.6.2, EU Generators and HVDC System Owners and Restoration Contractors who own and operate Anchor Plant and/or Top Up Restoration Plant, then the Reactive Power capability requirements (including steady state tolerance) at the Offshore Grid Entry Point shall be agreed between the Generator, Offshore Transmission Licensee and The Company in order to facilitate the operation of an Offshore Local Joint Restoration Plan.
- ECC.6.3.3 OUTPUT POWER WITH FALLING FREQUENCY
- ECC.6.3.3.1 Output power with falling frequency for **Power Generating Modules** and **HVDC Equipment**
- ECC.6.3.3.1.1 Each Power Generating Module and HVDC Equipment must be capable of:
  - (a) continuously maintaining constant **Active Power** output for **System Frequency** changes within the range 50.5 to 49.5 Hz; and

(b) (subject to the provisions of ECC.6.1.2) maintaining its Active Power output at a level not lower than the figure determined by the linear relationship shown in Figure ECC.6.3.3(a) for **System Frequency** changes within the range 49.5 to 47 Hz for all ambient temperatures up to and including 25°C, such that if the System Frequency drops to 47 Hz the Active Power output does not decrease by more than 5%. In the case of a CCGT Module, the above requirement shall be retained down to the Low Frequency Relay trip setting of 48.8 Hz, which reflects the first stage of the Automatic Low Frequency Demand Disconnection scheme notified to Network Operators under OC6.6.2. For **System Frequency** below that setting, the existing requirement shall be retained for a minimum period of 5 minutes while System Frequency remains below that setting, and special measure(s) that may be required to meet this requirement shall be kept in service during this period. After that 5 minutes period, if System Frequency remains below that setting, the special measure(s) must be discontinued if there is a materially increased risk of the Gas Turbine tripping. The need for special measure(s) is linked to the inherent Gas Turbine Active Power output reduction caused by reduced shaft speed due to falling System Frequency. Where the need for special measures is identified in order to maintain output in line with the level identified in Figure ECC.6.3.3(a) these measures should be still continued at ambient temperatures above 25°C maintaining as much of the Active Power achievable within the capability of the plant. For the avoidance of doubt, Generators in respect of Pumped Storage shall also be required to satisfy the requirements of OC6.6.6.

Figure ECC.6.3.3(a) Active Power Output with falling frequency for Power Generating Modules and HVDC Systems and Electricity Storage Modules when operating in an exporting mode of operation



(c) For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of a Power Generating Module including a DC Connected Power Park Module using an Intermittent Power Source where the mechanical power input will not be constant over time, the requirement is that the Active Power output shall be independent of System Frequency under (a) above and should not drop with System Frequency by greater than the amount specified in (b) above.

(d) An HVDC System must be capable of maintaining its Active Power input (i.e. when operating in a mode analogous to Demand) from the National Electricity Transmission System (or User System in the case of an Embedded HVDC System) at a level not greater than the figure determined by the linear relationship shown in Figure ECC.6.3.3(b) for System Frequency changes within the range 49.5 to 47 Hz, such that if the System Frequency drops to 47.8 Hz the Active Power input decreases by more than 60%.

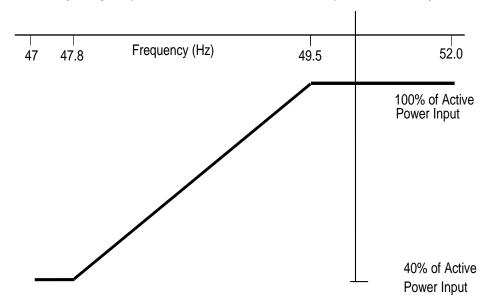


Figure ECC.6.3.3(b) Active Power input with falling frequency for HVDC Systems

- (e) In the case of an Offshore Generating Unit or Offshore Power Park Module or DC Connected Power Park Module or Remote End HVDC Converter or Transmission DC Converter, the EU Generator shall comply with the requirements of ECC.6.3.3. EU Generators should be aware that Section K of the STC places requirements on Offshore Transmission Licensees which utilise a Transmission DC Converter as part of their Offshore Transmission System to make appropriate provisions to enable EU Generators to fulfil their obligations.
- (f) Transmission DC Converters and Remote End HVDC Converters shall provide a continuous signal indicating the real time frequency measured at the Interface Point to the Offshore Grid Entry Point or HVDC Interface Point for the purpose of Offshore Generators or DC Connected Power Park Modules to respond to changes in System Frequency on the Main Interconnected Transmission System. A DC Connected Power Park Module or Offshore Power Generating Module shall be capable of receiving and processing this signal within 100ms.
- (g) For HVDC Systems with a Completion Date on or after 31 December 2026, HVDC System Owners shall ensure that each HVDC System has the capability to provide a continuous signal indicating the real time frequency measured at the Grid Entry Point and HVDC Interface Point and other signals as agreed with The Company for the purpose of participating in a Local Joint Restoration Plan or wider System Restoration event. The frequency signal at the Interface Point shall be capable of being received and processed within 100ms.
- (h) For Transmission DC Converters with a Completion Date on or after 31 December 2026, Offshore Transmission Licensees shall ensure that each Transmission DC Converter has the capability to provide a continuous signal indicating the real time frequency measured at the Offshore Grid Entry Point and HVDC Interface Point to the Interface Point for the purpose of participating in an Offshore Local Joint Restoration Plan or wider System Restoration event. The frequency signal at the Interface Point shall be capable of being received and processed within 100ms. This requirement shall be necessary where one or more Offshore Generators are part of an Offshore Local Joint Restoration Zone Plan.

# ECC.6.3.4 ACTIVE POWER OUTPUT UNDER SYSTEM VOLTAGE VARIATIONS

At the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point, the Active Power output under steady state conditions of any Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System or in the case of OTSDUW, the Active Power transfer at the Interface Point, under steady state conditions of any OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus should not be affected by voltage changes in the normal operating range specified in paragraph ECC.6.1.4 by more than the change in Active Power losses at reduced or increased voltage.

# ECC.6.3.5 <u>SYSTEM RESTORATION</u>

- ECC.6.3.5.1 It is not a mandatory requirement for **Generators**, or **HVDC System Owners** to provide an **Anchor Plant Capability** or **Top Up Restoration Capability**, however **EU Code Users** may wish to notify **The Company** of their ability to provide such a facility and the cost of the service. **The Company** will then consider whether it wishes to contract with the **EU Code User** for the provision of such a service which would be specified via an **Anchor Restoration Contract** or **Top Up Restoration Contract**. Where an **EU Code User** does not offer to provide a cost for the provision of an **Anchor Plant Capability**, **The Company** may make such a request if it considers **System** security to be at risk due to a lack of **Anchor Plant** capability.
- ECC.6.3.5.2 It is an essential requirement that **The Company** has a means of implementing **System Restoration** in accordance with the requirements of the **Electricity System Restoration Standard**. This is facilitated by agreeing contracts with **Restoration Contractors** who have **Plant** at a number of strategically located sites. In the case of **Restoration Contractors** who are party to a **Distribution Restoration Zone Plan**, **The Company** shall agree the requirements with the relevant **Network Operator** and **Restoration Contractors**.
- ECC.6.3.5.3 The following requirements shall apply in respect of each **Type C Power Generating Module**, **Type D Power Generating Module** and **DC Connected Power Park Module** which have an **Anchor Restoration Contract**.
  - (i) The Power-Generating Module or DC Connected Power Park Module shall be capable of starting from a Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown without any external electrical energy supply within either 2 hours of receiving an instruction from The Company in the case of Local Joint Restoration Plan or alternatively 8 hours of receiving an instruction from a Network Operator in the case of a Distribution Restoration Zone Plan;
  - (ii) Each **Power Generating Module** or **DC Connected Power Park Module** shall be able to synchronise within the frequency limits defined in ECC.6.1.2 and, where applicable, voltage limits specified in ECC.6.1.4;
  - (iii) The **Power Generating Module** or **DC Connected Power Park Module** shall be capable of energising an unenergised part of the **System**;
  - (iv) The Power-Generating Module or DC Connected Power Park Module shall be capable of automatically regulating dips in voltage caused by connection of demand;
  - (v) The Power Generating Module or DC Connected Power Park Module shall;
    - be capable of a **Block Load Capability**,

be capable of operating in **LFSM-O** and **LFSM-U**, as specified in ECC.6.3.7.1 and ECC.6.3.7.2,

control **Frequency** in case of overfrequency and underfrequency within the whole **Active Power** output range between the **Minimum Regulating Level** and **Maximum Capacity** as well as at **Houseload Operation** levels, and

be capable of parallel operation together with other **Power Generating Modules** including **DC Connected Power Park Modules** within an isolated part of the **Total System** that is still supplying **Customers**, and controlling voltage automatically during the system restoration phase;

- (vi) Power Park Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) and HVDC Equipment which provide an Anchor Plant Capability, shall also be capable of satisfying the relevant Grid Forming Capability requirements defined in ECC.6.3.19 as agreed with The Company.
- ECC.6.3.5.4 Each HVDC System or Remote End HVDC Converter Station which has Anchor Plant Capability and an Anchor Restoration Contract shall be capable of energising the busbar of an AC substation to which another HVDC Converter Station is connected. The timeframe after shutdown of the HVDC System prior to energisation of the AC substation shall be pursuant to the terms of the Anchor Restoration Contract. The HVDC System shall be able to synchronise within the Frequency limits defined in ECC.6.1.2.1.2 and voltage limits defined in ECC.6.1.4.1 unless otherwise specified in the Anchor Restoration Contract. Wider Frequency and voltage ranges can be specified in the Anchor Restoration Contract in order to restore System security.
- ECC.6.3.5.5 With regard to the capability to take part in operation of an isolated part of the **Total System** that is still supplying **Customers**:
  - Power Generating Modules including DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of taking part in island operation if specified in the Anchor Restoration Contract or Top Up Restoration Contract and:
  - ii the **Frequency** limits for island operation shall be those specified in ECC.6.1.2;
  - iii the voltage limits for island operation shall be those defined in ECC.6.1.4;
  - Power Generating Modules including DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be able to operate in Frequency Sensitive Mode during island operation, as specified in ECC.6.3.7.3. In the event of a power surplus, Power Generating Modules including DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of reducing the Active Power output from a previous operating point to any new operating point within the Power Generating Module Performance Chart. Power Generating Modules including DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of reducing Active Power output as much as inherently technically feasible, but to at least 55 % of Maximum Capacity;
    - v The method for detecting a change from interconnected system operation to island operation shall be agreed between the EU Generator, The Company and the Relevant Transmission Licensee. The agreed method of detection must not rely solely on The Company, Relevant Transmission Licensee's or Network Operators switchgear position signals;
    - vi **Power Generating Modules** including **DC Connected Power Park Modules** shall be able to operate in **LFSM-O** and **LFSM-U** during island operation, as specified in ECC.6.3.7.1 and ECC.6.3.7.2;
- ECC.6.3.5.6 With regard to quick re-synchronisation capability:
  - (i) In case of disconnection of the Power Generating Module including DC Connected Power Park Modules from the System, the Power Generating Module shall be capable of quick re-synchronisation in line with the Protection strategy agreed between The Company and/or Network Operator in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and the Generator;
  - (ii) A **Power Generating Module** including a **DC Connected Power Park Module** with a minimum re-synchronisation time greater than 15 minutes after its disconnection from any external power supply must be capable of **Houseload Operation** from any operating point on its **Power Generating Module Performance Chart**. In this case, the identification of **Houseload Operation** must not be based solely on the **Total System's**-switchgear position signals;
  - (iii) Power Generating Modules including DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of Houseload Operation, irrespective of any auxiliary connection to the Total System. The minimum operation time shall be specified by The Company, taking into consideration the specific characteristics of prime mover technology.

- ECC.6.3.5.7 Restoration Contractors who are Offshore Generators and Transmission DC Converter owners who are part of an Offshore Local Joint Restoration Plan shall ensure their Plant and Apparatus is designed to satisfy the requirements of ECC.7.10 and ECC.7.11.
- ECC.6.3.6 CONTROL ARRANGEMENTS
- ECC.6.3.6.1 **ACTIVE POWER** CONTROL
- ECC.6.3.6.1.1 Active Power control in respect of Power Generating Modules including DC Connected Power Park Modules
- ECC.6.3.6.1.1.1 Type A Power Generating Modules shall be equipped with a logic interface (input port) in order to cease Active Power output within five seconds following receipt of a signal from The Company. The Company shall specify the requirements for such facilities, including the need for remote operation, in the Bilateral Agreement where they are necessary for System reasons.
- ECC.6.3.6.1.1.2**Type B Power Generating Modules** shall be equipped with an interface (input port) in order to be able to reduce **Active Power** output following receipt of a signal from **The Company**. **The Company** shall specify the requirements for such facilities, including the need for remote operation, in the **Bilateral Agreement** where they are necessary for **System** reasons.
- ECC.6.3.6.1.1.3 Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules and DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of adjusting the Active Power setpoint in accordance with instructions issued by The Company.
- ECC.6.3.6.1.2 Active Power control in respect of HVDC Systems and Remote End HVDC Converter Stations
- ECC.6.3.6.1.2.1 **HVDC Systems** shall be capable of adjusting the transmitted **Active Power** upon receipt of an instruction from **The Company** which shall be in accordance with the requirements of BC2.6.1.
- ECC.6.3.6.1.2.2The requirements for fast **Active Power** reversal (if required) shall be specified by **The Company**. Where **Active Power** reversal is specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**, each **HVDC System** and **Remote End HVDC Converter Station** shall be capable of operating from maximum import to maximum export in a time which is as fast as technically feasible or in a time that is no greater than 2 seconds except where a **HVDC Converter Station Owner** has justified to **The Company** that a longer reversal time is required.
- ECC.6.3.6.1.2.3Where an HVDC System connects various Control Areas or Synchronous Areas, each HVDC System or Remote End HVDC Converter Station shall be capable of responding to instructions issued by The Company under the Balancing Code to modify the transmitted Active Power for the purposes of cross-border balancing.
- ECC.6.3.6.1.2.4An **HVDC System** shall be capable of adjusting the ramping rate of **Active Power** variations within its technical capabilities in accordance with instructions issued by **The Company**. In case of modification of **Active Power** according to ECC.6.3.15 and ECC.6.3.6.1.2.2, there shall be no adjustment of ramping rate.
- ECC.6.3.6.1.2.5If specified by **The Company**, in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensees**, the control functions of an **HVDC System** shall be capable of taking automatic remedial actions including, but not limited to, stopping the ramping and blocking FSM, LFSM-O, LFSM-U and **Frequency** control. The triggering and blocking criteria shall be specified by **The Company**.
- ECC.6.3.6.2 MODULATION OF ACTIVE POWER

ECC.6.3.6.2.1 Each Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) and Onshore HVDC Converters at an Onshore HVDC Converter Station must be capable of contributing to Frequency control by continuous modulation of Active Power supplied to the National Electricity Transmission System. For the avoidance of doubt each Onshore HVDC Converter at an Onshore HVDC Converter Station and/or OTSDUW DC Converter shall provide each EU Code User in respect of its Offshore Power Stations connected to and/or using an Offshore Transmission System a continuous signal indicating the real time Frequency measured at the Transmission Interface Point. A DC Connected Power Park Module or Offshore Power Generating Module shall be capable of receiving and processing this signal within 100ms.

#### ECC.6.3.6.3 MODULATION OF REACTIVE POWER

ECC.6.3.6.3.1 Notwithstanding the requirements of ECC.6.3.2, each Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment (and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at a Transmission Interface Point and Remote End HVDC Converter at an HVDC Interface Point) (as applicable) must be capable of contributing to voltage control by continuous changes to the Reactive Power supplied to the National Electricity Transmission System or the User System in which it is Embedded.

# ECC.6.3.7 FREQUENCY RESPONSE

- ECC.6.3.7.1 <u>Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode Overfrequency (LFSM-O)</u>
- ECC.6.3.7.1.1 Each Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) and HVDC Systems shall be capable of reducing Active Power output in response to Frequency on the Total System when this rises above 50.4Hz. For the avoidance of doubt, the provision of this reduction in Active Power output is not an Ancillary Service. Such provision is known as Limited High Frequency Response. The Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems shall be capable of operating stably during LFSM-O operation. However for a Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems operating in Frequency Sensitive Mode the requirements of LFSM-O shall apply when the frequency exceeds 50.5Hz.
- ECC.6.3.7.1.2 (i) The rate of change of **Active Power** output must be at a minimum a rate of 2 percent of output per 0.1 Hz deviation of **System Frequency** above 50.4Hz (ie a **Droop** of 10%) as shown in Figure ECC.6.3.7.1 below. This would not preclude a **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** from designing their **Power Generating Module** with a **Droop** of less than 10% but in all cases the **Droop** should be 2% or greater.
  - (ii) The reduction in **Active Power** output must be continuously and linearly proportional, as far as is practicable, to the excess of **Frequency** above 50.4 Hz and must be provided increasingly with time over the period specified in (iii) below.
  - (iii) As much as possible of the proportional reduction in Active Power output must result from the frequency control device (or speed governor) action and must be achieved within 10 seconds of the time of the Frequency increase above 50.4 Hz. The Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems shall be capable of initiating a power Frequency response with an initial delay that is as short as possible. If the delay exceeds 2 seconds the EU Generator or HVDC System Owner shall justify the variation, providing technical evidence to The Company.
  - (iv) The residue of the proportional reduction in Active Power output which results from automatic action of the Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC System output control devices other than the frequency control devices (or speed governors) must be achieved within 3 minutes for the time of the Frequency increase above 50.4Hz.
  - (v) For the avoidance of doubt, the **LFSM-O** response must be reduced when the **Frequency** falls again and, when to a value less than 50.4Hz, as much as possible of the increase in **Active Power** must be achieved within 10 seconds.

(vi) For Type A and Type B Power Generating Modules which are not required to have Frequency Sensitive Mode (FSM) as described in ECC.6.3.7.3 for deviations in Frequency up to 50.9Hz at least half of the proportional reduction in Active Power output must be achieved in 10 seconds of the time of the Frequency increase above 50.4Hz. For deviations in Frequency beyond 50.9Hz the measured rate of change of Active Power reduction must exceed 0.5%/sec of the initial output. The LFSM-O response must be reduced when the Frequency subsequently falls again and when to a value less than 50.4Hz, at least half the increase in Active Power must be achieved in 10 seconds. For a Frequency excursion returning from beyond 50.9Hz the measured rate of change of Active Power increase must exceed 0.5%/second.

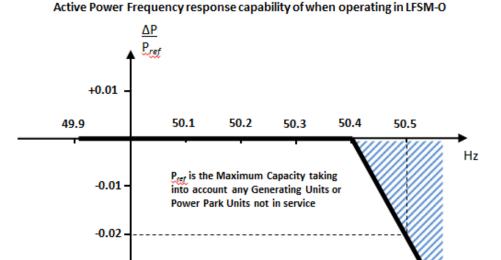


Figure ECC.6.3.7.1 –  $P_{ref}$  is the reference **Active Power** to which  $\Delta P$  is related and  $\Delta P$  is the change in **Active Power** output from the **Power Generating Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) or **HVDC System**. The **Power Generating Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules** or **HVDC Systems**) has to provide a negative **Active Power** output change with a droop of 10% or less based on Pref.

ECC.6.3.7.1.3 Each Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems which is providing Limited High Frequency Response (LFSM-O) must continue to provide it until the Frequency has returned to or below 50.4Hz or until otherwise instructed by The Company. EU Generators in respect of Gensets and HVDC Converter Station Owners in respect of an HVDC System should also be aware of the requirements in BC.3.7.2.2.

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ECC.6.3.7.1.4 Steady state operation below the Minimum Stable Operating Level in the case of Power Generating Modules including DC Connected Power Park Modules or Minimum Active Power Transmission Capacity in the case of HVDC Systems is not expected but if System operating conditions cause operation below the Minimum Stable Operating Level or Minimum Active Power Transmission Capacity which could give rise to operational difficulties for the Power Generating Module including a DC Connected Power Park Module or HVDC Systems then the EU Generator or HVDC System Owner shall be able to return the output of the Power Generating Module including a DC Connected Power Park Module to an output of not less than the Minimum Stable Operating Level or HVDC System to an output of not less than the Minimum Active Power Transmission Capacity.

Owner to avoid such tripping provided that the System Frequency is below 52Hz in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.1.2. If the System Frequency is at or above 52Hz, the requirement to make all reasonable efforts to avoid tripping does not apply and the EU Generator or HVDC System Owner is required to take action to protect its Power Generating Modules including DC Connected Power Park Modules or HVDC Converter Stations.

- ECC.6.3.7.2 <u>Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode Underfrequency (LFSM-U)</u>
- ECC.6.3.7.2.1 Each Type C Power Generating Module and Type D Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems operating in Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode shall be capable of increasing Active Power output in response to System Frequency when this falls below 49.5Hz. For the avoidance of doubt, the provision of this increase in Active Power output is not a mandatory Ancillary Service and it is not anticipated Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems are operated in an inefficient mode to facilitate delivery of LFSM-U response, but any inherent capability (where available) should be made without undue delay. The Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems shall be capable of stable operation during LFSM-U Mode. For example, an EU Generator which is operating with no headroom (eg it is operating at maximum output or is de-loading as part of a run down sequence and has no headroom) would not be required to provide LFSM-U.
- The rate of change of **Active Power** output must be at a minimum a rate of 2 percent of output per 0.1 Hz deviation of **System Frequency** below 49.5Hz (ie a **Droop** of 10%) as shown in Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.2 below. This requirement only applies if the **Power Generating Module** has headroom and the ability to increase **Active Power** output. In the case of a **Power Park Module** or **DC Connected Power Park Module** the requirements of Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.2 shall be reduced pro-rata to the amount of **Power Park Units** in service and available to generate. For the avoidance of doubt, this would not preclude an **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** from designing their **Power Generating Module** with a lower **Droop** setting, for example between 3 5%.
  - (ii) As much as possible of the proportional increase in **Active Power** output must result from the **Frequency** control device (or speed governor) action and must be achieved for **Frequencies** below 49.5 Hz. The **Power Generating Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) or **HVDC Systems** shall be capable of initiating a power **Frequency** response with minimal delay. If the delay exceeds 2 seconds the **EU Generator** or HV**DC System Owner** shall justify the delay, providing technical evidence to **The Company**).
  - (iii) The actual delivery of **Active Power Frequency Response** in **LFSM-U** mode shall take into account

The ambient conditions when the response is to be triggered

The operating conditions of the **Power Generating Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) or **HVDC Systems** in particular limitations on operation near **Maximum Capacity** or **Maximum HVDC Active Power Transmission Capacity** at low frequencies and the respective impact of ambient conditions as detailed in ECC.6.3.3.

The availability of primary energy sources.

(iv) In LFSM\_U Mode, the Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) and HVDC Systems, shall be capable of providing a power increase up to its Maximum Capacity or Maximum HVDC Active Power Transmission Capacity (as applicable).

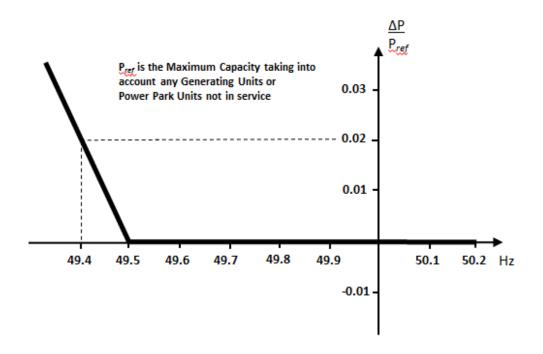


Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.2 –  $P_{ref}$  is the reference **Active Power** to which  $\Delta P$  is related and  $\Delta P$  is the change in **Active Power** output from the **Power Generating Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) or **HVDC System**. The **Power Generating Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules** or **HVDC Systems**) has to provide a positive **Active Power** output change with a droop of 10% or less based on Pref.

- ECC.6.3.7.2.3 <u>Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode Electricity Storage Modules when operating in an importing mode of operation</u>
- ECC.6.3.7.2.3.1 Each Generator or Defence Service Provider or Restoration Contractor or Non-Embedded Customer in respect of an Electricity Storage Module is required to meet the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.3.1 (a) (f) except where it has been agreed with The Company that such an Electricity Storage Module is unable to meet these requirements in which case the requirements of OC6.6.6 shall apply:-
  - (a) Be capable of automatically maintaining its Active Power output within the shaded operating region shown in Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.3(a) until the stored energy has been depleted, except in the case of a Restoration Contractor which shall not deplete its stored energy below the level required to meet its contractual obligations. The Electricity Storage Module could initially be operating at any level of import between zero Active Power and the Maximum Import Power within a System Frequency range of 50Hz and 49.5Hz as shown in Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.3(a). For the avoidance of doubt, the Electricity Storage Module would only be required to reach its Maximum Capacity if the Electricity Storage Module has headroom and the ability to increase Active Power output. A typical value of the Droop would be 0.6% where this does not result in control system instability or plant difficulties. In all cases the Droop shall be between 0.6% and 1.2% and shall be agreed with The Company.
  - (b) Automatically respond in accordance with the characteristic of Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.3(a) when the **System Frequency** falls to 49.5Hz and below.
  - (c) The reduction in Active Power import (during an import mode of operation), and the transition to the final value of Active Power output shall be continuously and linearly proportional, as far as is practicable, to the reduction in Frequency below 49.5 Hz. Active Power output must be provided increasingly with time as required by ECC.6.3.7.2.3.1 (d) below.

- (d) As much as possible of the proportional reduction in Active Power import (when the Electricity Storage Module is in a mode analogous to Demand) must result from the Frequency control device (or speed governor) action and must be achieved within 10 seconds of the time of the Frequency decreases below 49.5 Hz. The Electricity Storage Module shall be capable of initiating a power Frequency response with an initial delay that is as short as possible. Delays that exceed 2 seconds shall be justified by the Generator or Defence Service Provider or Restoration Contractor or Non-Embedded Customer providing technical evidence to The Company and in any event as much as possible of the proportional reduction in Active Power import shall be achieved within 10 seconds. This performance requirement is to be maintained when the Electricity Storage Module makes the transition to an Active Power export mode of operation unless the energy store is depleted, in which case it shall be required to operate at zero Active Power output.
- (e) Where the **Electricity Storage Module** is not capable of making a transition from import operation to export operation within 20 seconds of the **System Frequency** falling to 49.2Hz, then it shall then immediately reduce its **Active Power** import to zero.
- (f) If the Electricity Storage Module has not achieved at least a zero Active Power import when the System Frequency has reached 48.9Hz, it shall be instantaneously tripped. Where a Electricity Storage Module trips, it shall not be permitted to reconnect to the System until instructed by The Company in accordance with BC2.5.2 and as provided for in ECC.6.2.2.11.

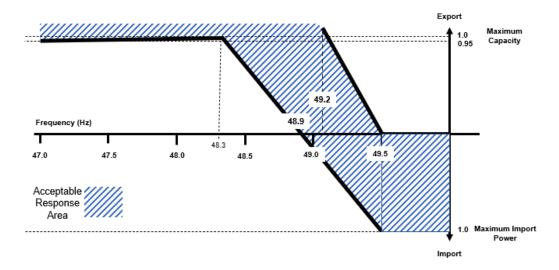


Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.3(a) **Active Power** performance with falling frequency

Where an **Electricity Storage Module** has been importing and has responded in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.3.1, its performance, once the **System Frequency** starts to rise above the minimum reached, shall be in accordance with Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.3(b) in respect of the **Active Power** output and **Active Power** import. For example, Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.3(b), illustrates the four operating points W, X, Y and Z. If points W, X, Y and Z denotes the minimum frequency that the **Total System** reached during a particular low **System Frequency** event, as the **System Frequency** starts to rise, the **Active Power** output of the **Electricity Storage Module** should remain at a constant level (where the energy source has not been depleted) until 49.5Hz is reached as denoted by the dashed black lines. Once the **System Frequency** has risen above 49.5Hz the **Electricity Storage Module** is permitted to reduce **Active Power** output so long as it is operates within the shaded area above 49.5Hz shown in Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.3(b), unless the **Electricity Storage Module** has insufficient capability in which case it shall operate at zero **Active Power**.

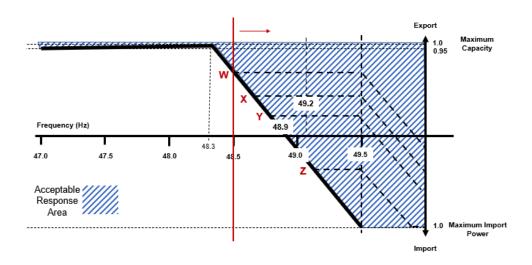


Figure ECC.6.3.7.2.3(b) Active Power performance with increasing frequency

ECC.6.3.7.2.3.3 Where an **Electricity Storage Module** is exporting **Active Power** to the **Total System** (including zero) and the **System Frequency** falls below 49.5Hz the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.1 and ECC.6.3.7.2.2 shall apply.

### ECC.6.3.7.3 Frequency Sensitive Mode – (FSM)

ECC.6.3.7.3.1 In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.1 and ECC.6.3.7.2 each Type C Power Generating Module and Type D Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems must be fitted with a fast acting proportional Frequency control device (or turbine speed governor) and unit load controller or equivalent control device to provide Frequency response under normal operational conditions in accordance with Balancing Code 3 (BC3). In the case of a Power Park Module including a DC Connected Power Park Module, the Frequency or speed control device(s) may be on the Power Park Module (including a DC Connected Power Park Module) or on each individual Power Park Unit (including a Power Park Unit within a DC Connected Power Park Module) or be a combination of both. The Frequency control device(s) (or speed governor(s)) must be designed and operated to the appropriate:

- (i) European Specification: or
- in the absence of a relevant European Specification, such other standard which is in common use within the European Community (which may include a manufacturer specification);

as at the time when the installation of which it forms part was designed or (in the case of modification or alteration to the **Frequency** control device (or turbine speed governor)) when the modification or alteration was designed.

The **European Specification** or other standard utilised in accordance with sub paragraph ECC.6.3.7.3.1 (a) (ii) will be notified to **The Company** by the **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner**:

- (i) as part of the application for a Bilateral Agreement; or
- (ii) as part of the application for a varied Bilateral Agreement; or
- (iii) in the case of an Embedded Development, within 28 days of entry into the Embedded Development Agreement (or such later time as agreed with **The Company**) or
- (iv) as soon as possible prior to any modification or alteration to the **Frequency** control device (or governor); and
- ECC.6.3.7.3.2 The Frequency control device (or speed governor) in co-ordination with other control devices must control each Type C Power Generating Module and Type D Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems Active Power Output or Active Power transfer capability with stability over the entire operating range of the Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC Systems; and
- ECC.6.3.7.3.3 **Type C** and **Type D Power Generating Modules** and **DC Connected Power Park Modules** shall also meet the following minimum requirements:
  - (i) capable of providing **Active Power Frequency** response in accordance with the performance characteristic shown in Figure 6.3.7.3.3(a) and parameters in Table 6.3.7.3.3(a)

Active Power Frequency Response capability of Power Generating Modules Including HVDC connected Power Park Modules when operating in FSM

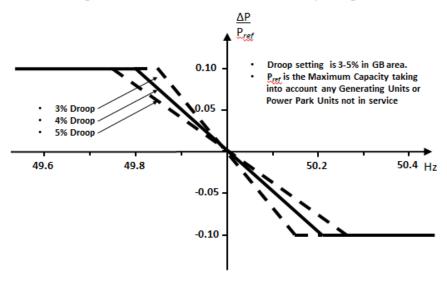


Figure 6.3.7.3.3(a) – Frequency Sensitive Mode capability of Power Generating Modules and DC Connected Power Park Modules

Parameter	Setting
Nominal System Frequency	50Hz
Active Power as a percentage of	10%
Maximum Capacity $(\frac{ AP_1 }{P_{max}})$	

Frequency Response Insensitivity in mHz $( \Delta f_i )$	±15mHz
Frequency Response Insensitivity as a percentage of nominal frequency $\binom{ \Delta f_i }{f_n}$	±0.03%
Frequency Response Deadband in mHz	0 (mHz)
Droop (%)	3 – 5%

Table 6.3.7.3.3(a) – Parameters for **Active Power Frequency** response in **Frequency Sensitive Mode** including the mathematical expressions in Figure 6.3.7.3.3(a).

(ii) In satisfying the performance requirements specified in ECC.6.3.7.3(i) **EU Generators** in respect of each **Type C** and **Type D Power Generating Modules and DC Connected Power Park Module** should be aware:-

in the case of overfrequency, the **Active Power Frequency** response is limited by the **Minimum Regulating Level**,

in the case of underfrequency, the **Active Power Frequency** response is limited by the **Maximum Capacity**,

the actual delivery of **Active Power** frequency response depends on the operating and ambient conditions of the **Power Generating Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) when this response is triggered, in particular limitations on operation near **Maximum Capacity** at low **Frequencies** as specified in ECC.6.3.3 and available primary energy sources.

The frequency control device (or speed governor) must also be capable of being set so that it operates with an overall speed **Droop** of between 3 – 5%. The **Frequency Response Deadband** and **Droop** must be able to be reselected repeatedly. For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of a **Power Park Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) the speed **Droop** should be equivalent of a fixed setting between 3% and 5% applied to each **Power Park Unit** in service.

(iii) In the event of a **Frequency** step change, each **Type C** and **Type D Power Generating Module** and **DC Connected Power Park Module** shall be capable of activating full and stable **Active Power Frequency** response (without undue power oscillations), in accordance with the performance characteristic shown in Figure 6.3.7.3.3(b) and parameters in Table 6.3.7.3.3(b).

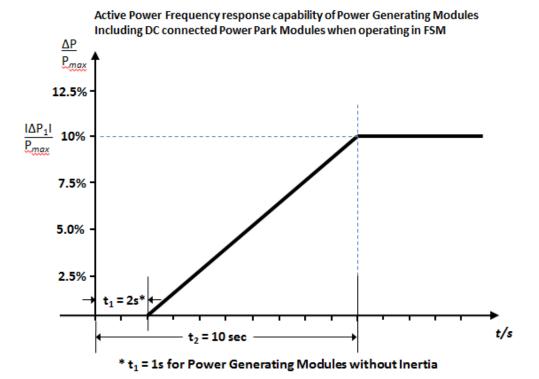


Figure 6.3.7.3.3(b) Active Power Frequency Response capability.

Parameter	Setting
Active Power as a percentage of Maximum Capacity (frequency response range) $(\frac{ \Delta P_1 }{P_{max}})$	10%
Maximum admissible initial delay t <sub>1</sub> for <b>Power Generating Modules</b> (including <b>DC Connected Power Park Modules</b> ) with inertia unless justified as specified in ECC.6.3.7.3.3 (iv)	2 seconds
Maximum admissible initial delay t <sub>1</sub> for Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) which do not contribute to System inertia unless justified as specified in ECC.6.3.7.3.3 (iv)	1 second
Activation time t <sub>2</sub>	10 seconds

Table 6.3.7.3.3(b) – Parameters for full activation of **Active Power Frequency** response resulting from a **Frequency** step change. Table 6.3.7.3.3(b) also includes the mathematical expressions used in Figure 6.3.7.3.3(b).

- (iv) The initial activation of Active Power Primary Frequency response shall not be unduly delayed. For Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) with inertia the delay in initial Active Power Frequency response shall not be greater than 2 seconds. For Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) without inertia, the delay in initial Active Power Frequency response shall not be greater than 1 second. If the Generator cannot meet this requirement they shall provide technical evidence to The Company demonstrating why a longer time is needed for the initial activation of Active Power Frequency response.
- (v) in the case of Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) other than the Steam Unit within a CCGT Module the combined effect of the Frequency Response Insensitivity and Frequency Response Deadband of the Frequency control device (or speed governor) should be no greater than 0.03Hz (for the avoidance of doubt, ±0.015Hz). In the case of the Steam Unit within a CCGT Module, the Frequency Response Deadband should be set to an appropriate value consistent with the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.3.5(ii) and the requirements of BC3.7.2.2 for the provision of LFSM-O taking account of any Frequency Response Insensitivity of the Frequency control device (or speed governor);

### ECC.6.3.7.3.4 **HVDC Systems** shall also meet the following minimum requirements:

(i) **HVDC Systems** shall be capable of responding to **Frequency** deviations in each connected AC **System** by adjusting their **Active Power** import or export as shown in Figure 6.3.7.3.4(a) with the corresponding parameters in Table 6.3.7.3.4(a).

### Active Power Frequency response capability of HVDC systems when operating in FSI

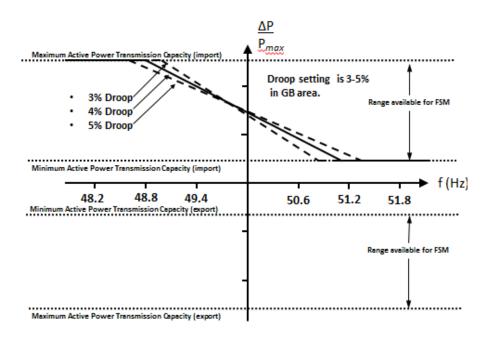


Figure 6.3.7.3.4(a) – **Active Power** frequency response capability of a **HVDC System** operating in **Frequency Sensitive Mode** (FSM).  $\Delta P$  is the change in active power output from the **HVDC System**..

Parameter	Setting
Frequency Response Deadband	0

<b>Droop</b> S1 and S2 (upward and downward regulation) where S1=S2.	3 – 5%
Frequency Response Insensitivity	±15mHz

Table 6.3.7.3.4(a) – Parameters for **Active Power Frequency** response in **FSM** including the mathematical expressions in Figure 6.3.7.3.4.

- (ii) Each **HVDC System** shall be capable of adjusting the **Droop** for both upward and downward regulation and the **Active Power** range over which **Frequency Sensitive Mode** of operation is available as defined in ECC.6.3.7.3.4.
- (iii) In addition to the requirements in ECC.6.3.7.4(i) and ECC.6.3.7.4(ii) each **HVDC System** shall be capable of:-

delivering the response as soon as technically feasible

delivering the response on or above the solid line in Figure 6.3.7.3.4(b) in accordance with the parameters shown in Table 6.3.7.3.4(b)

initiating the delivery of **Primary Response** in no less than 0.5 seconds unless otherwise agreed with **The Company**. Where the initial delay time (t<sub>1</sub> – as shown in Figure 6.3.7.3.4(b)) is longer than 0.5 seconds the **HVDC Converter Station Owner** shall reasonably justify it to **The Company**.

Active Power Frequency response capability of HVDC Systems when operating in FSM

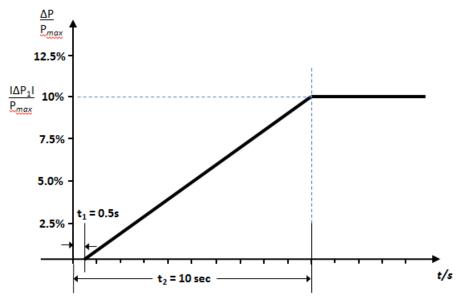


Figure 6.3.7.3.4(b) **Active Power Frequency Response** capability of a **HVDC System**. ΔP is the change in **Active Power** triggered by the step change in frequency

Parameter	Setting
Active Power as a percentage of Maximum Capacity (frequency response range) $\binom{ \Delta P_1 }{P_{max}}$	10%
Maximum admissible delay t <sub>1</sub>	0.5 seconds

Maximum admissible time for full	10 seconds
activation t2, unless longer activation	
times are agreed with The Company	
times are agreed with The Company	

Table 6.3.7.3.4(b) – Parameters for full activation of **Active Power Frequency** response resulting from a **Frequency** step change.

- (iv) For HVDC Systems connecting various Synchronous Areas, each HVDC System shall be capable of adjusting the full Active Power Frequency Response when operating in Frequency Sensitive Mode at any time and for a continuous time period. In addition, the Active Power controller of each HVDC System shall not have any adverse impact on the delivery of frequency response.
- ECC.6.3.7.3.5 For HVDC Systems and Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules), other than the Steam Unit within a CCGT Module the combined effect of the Frequency Response Insensitivity and Frequency Response Deadband of the Frequency control device (or speed governor) should be no greater than 0.03Hz (for the avoidance of doubt, ±0.015Hz). In the case of the Steam Unit within a CCGT Module, the Frequency Response Deadband should be set to an appropriate value consistent with the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.3.5(ii) and the requirements of BC3.7.2.2 for the provision of LFSM-O taking account of any Frequency Response Insensitivity of the Frequency control device (or speed governor);
  - (i) With regard to disconnection due to underfrequency, **EU Generators** responsible for **Type C** and **Type D Power Generating Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) capable of acting as a load, including but not limited to **Pumped Storage** and tidal **Power Generating Modules**, **HVDC Systems** and **Remote End HVDC Converter Stations**, shall be capable of disconnecting their load in case of underfrequency which will be agreed with **The Company**. For the avoidance of doubt this requirement does not apply to station auxiliary supplies; **EU Generators** in respect of **Type C** and **Type D Pumped Storage Power Generating Modules** should also be aware of the requirements in OC.6.6.6.
  - (ii) Where a Type C or Type D Power Generating Module, DC Connected Power Park Module or HVDC System becomes isolated from the rest of the Total System but is still supplying Customers, the Frequency control device (or speed governor) must also be able to control System Frequency below 52Hz unless this causes the Type C or Type D Power Generating Module or DC Connected Power Park Module to operate below its Minimum Regulating Level or Minimum Active Power Transmission Capacity when it is possible that it may, as detailed in BC 3.7.3, trip after a time. For the avoidance of doubt Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) and HVDC Systems are only required to operate within the System Frequency range 47 52 Hz as defined in ECC.6.1.2 and for converter based technologies, the remaining island contains sufficient fault level for effective commutation;
  - (iii) Each **Type C** and **Type D Power Generating Module** and **HVDC Systems** shall have the facility to modify the **Target Frequency** setting either continuously or in a maximum of 0.05Hz steps over at least the range 50 ±0.1Hz should be provided in the unit load controller or equivalent device.
- ECC.6.3.7.3.6 In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.3 each **Type C** and **Type D Power Generating**Module and HVDC System shall be capable of meeting the minimum Frequency response requirement profile subject to and in accordance with the provisions of Appendix A3.
- ECC.6.3.7.3.7 For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements of Appendix A3 do not apply to **Type A** and **Type B Power Generating Modules**.
- ECC.6.3.7.3.8 Frequency control device (or speed governor) requirements during System Restoration

- Restoration Contractors shall be capable of operating their Generating Units or Power Generating Modules or HVDC Systems such that the Frequency control device (or turbine speed governor) and unit load controller or equivalent control device can be switched to Frequency control only with no load influence, during the early stages of a System Restoration whilst in island operation.
- Generators and HVDC System Owners shall advise The Company of the capability of operating their Generating Units or Power Generating Modules or HVDC Systems such that the Frequency control device (or turbine speed governor) and unit load controller or equivalent control device can be switched to Frequency control only with no load influence during the early stages of System Restoration whilst in island operation. If there is a suitable capability, The Company and the User shall agree on how it shall be used and kept available.
- ECC.6.3.7.8.3.3 In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.8.3.1 and ECC.6.3.7.8.3.2 the following shall apply:-
  - (i) Changes to any control schemes and settings identified from ECC.6.3.7.8.3.1, and ECC.6.3.7.8.3.2 shall be agreed between The Company and/or Relevant Transmission Licensee and/or Network Operator as recorded in the Restoration Plan.
  - (ii) During System Restoration, any changes to the schemes and settings defined in ECC.6.3.7.8.3.1 and ECC.6.3.7.8.3.2, of the different control devices of the Generating Unit or Power Generating Module or Restoration Contractor's Plant or HVDC System shall be coordinated and agreed between the Relevant Transmission Licensee, the EU Generator, Restoration Contractor and HVDC System Owner as part of a Restoration Plan.
- ECC.6.3.8 EXCITATION AND VOLTAGE CONTROL PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS
- ECC.6.3.8.1 <u>Excitation Performance Requirements for Type B Synchronous Power Generating Modules</u>
- ECC.6.3.8.1.1 Each Synchronous Generating Unit within a Type B Synchronous Power Generating Module shall be equipped with a permanent automatic excitation control system that shall have the capability to provide constant terminal voltage control at a selectable setpoint without instability over the entire operating range of the Type B Synchronous Power Generating Module.
- In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.8.1.1, The Company or the relevant Network Operator will specify if the control system of the Type B Synchronous Power Generating Module shall contribute to voltage control or Reactive Power control or Power Factor control at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (or other defined busbar). The performance requirements of the control system including slope (where applicable) shall be agreed between The Company and/or the relevant Network Operator and the EU Generator.
- ECC.6.3.8.2 <u>Voltage Control Requirements for Type B Power Park Modules</u>
- The Company or the relevant Network Operator will specify if the control system of the Type B Power Park Module shall contribute to voltage control or Reactive Power control or Power Factor control at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (or other defined busbar). The performance requirements of the control system including slope (where applicable) shall be agreed between The Company and/or the relevant Network Operator and the EU Generator.
- ECC.6.3.8.3 <u>Excitation Performance Requirements for Type C and Type D Onshore Synchronous</u>
  Power Generating Modules

- ECC.6.3.8.3.1 Each Synchronous Generating Unit within a Type C and Type D Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Modules shall be equipped with a permanent automatic excitation control system that shall have the capability to provide constant terminal voltage control at a selectable setpoint without instability over the entire operating range of the Synchronous Power Generating Module.
- ECC.6.3.8.3.2 The requirements for excitation control facilities are specified in ECC.A.6. Any site specific requirements shall be specified by **The Company** or the relevant **Network Operator**.
- Unless otherwise required for testing in accordance with OC5.A.2, the automatic excitation control system of an **Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Module** shall always be operated such that it controls the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** terminal voltage to a value that is
  - equal to its rated value: or
  - only where provisions have been made in the **Bilateral Agreement**, greater than its rated value.
- In particular, other control facilities including constant **Reactive Power** output control modes and constant **Power Factor** control modes (but excluding VAR limiters) are not required. However if present in the excitation or voltage control system they will be disabled unless otherwise agreed with **The Company** or the relevant **Network Operator**. Operation of such control facilities will be in accordance with the provisions contained in **BC2**.
- ECC.6.3.8.3.5 The excitation performance requirements for **Offshore Synchronous Power Generating Modules** with an **Offshore Grid Entry Point** shall be specified by **The Company**.
- ECC.6.3.8.4 <u>Voltage Control Performance Requirements for Type C and Type D Onshore Power Park</u>

  <u>Modules, Onshore HVDC Converters and OTSUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point</u>
- ECC.6.3.8.4.1 Each Type C and Type D Onshore Power Park Module, Onshore HVDC Converter and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall be fitted with a continuously acting automatic control system to provide control of the voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) without instability over the entire operating range of the Onshore Power Park Module, or Onshore HVDC Converter or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus. Any Plant or Apparatus used in the provisions of such voltage control within an Onshore Power Park Module may be located at the Power Park Unit terminals, an appropriate intermediate busbar or the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point. In the case of an Onshore HVDC Converter at a HVDC Converter Station any Plant or Apparatus used in the provisions of such voltage control may be located at any point within the User's Plant and Apparatus including the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point. OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus used in the provision of such voltage control may be located at the Offshore Grid Entry Point an appropriate intermediate busbar or at the Interface Point. When operating below 20% Maximum Capacity the automatic control system may continue to provide voltage control using any available reactive capability. If voltage control is not being provided, the automatic control system shall be designed to ensure a smooth transition between the shaded area below 20% of Active Power output and the non-shaded area above 20% of Active Power output in Figure ECC.6.3.2.4(c) and Figure ECC.6.3.2.6(b) The performance requirements for a continuously acting automatic voltage control system that shall be complied with by the User in respect of Onshore Power Park Modules, Onshore HVDC Converters at an Onshore HVDC Converter Station, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point are defined in ECC.A.7.

- In particular, other control facilities, including constant **Reactive Power** output control modes and constant **Power Factor** control modes (but excluding VAR limiters) are not required. However if present in the voltage control system they will be disabled unless otherwise agreed with **The Company** or the relevant **Network Operator**. Operation of such control facilities will be in accordance with the provisions contained in BC2. Where **Reactive Power** output control modes and constant **Power Factor** control modes have been fitted within the voltage control system they shall be required to satisfy the requirements of ECC.A.7.3 and ECC.A.7.4.
- ECC.6.3.8.5 Excitation Control Performance requirements applicable to AC Connected Offshore

  Synchronous Power Generating Modules and voltage control performance requirements applicable to AC connected Offshore Power Park Modules, DC Connected Power Park Modules and Remote End HVDC Converters
- A continuously acting automatic control system is required to provide control of Reactive Power (as specified in ECC.6.3.2.5 and ECC.6.3.2.6) at the Offshore Grid Entry Point (or HVDC Interface Point in the case of Configuration 1 DC Connected Power Park Modules and Remote End HVDC Converters) without instability over the entire operating range of the AC connected Offshore Synchronous Power Generating Module or Configuration 1 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 1 DC Connected Power Park Modules or Remote End HVDC Converter. The performance requirements for this automatic control system will be specified by The Company which would be consistent with the requirements of ECC.6.3.2.5 and ECC.6.3.2.6.
- A continuously acting automatic control system is required to provide control of Reactive Power (as specified in ECC.6.3.2.8) at the Offshore Grid Entry Point (or HVDC Interface Point in the case of Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules) without instability over the entire operating range of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules. otherwise the requirements of ECC.6.3.2.6 shall apply. The performance requirements for this automatic control system are specified in ECC.A.8
- In addition to ECC.6.3.8.5.1 and ECC.6.3.8.5.2 the requirements for excitation or voltage control facilities, including **Power System Stabilisers**, where these are necessary for system reasons, will be specified by **The Company**. Reference is made to on-load commissioning witnessed by **The Company** in BC2.11.2.

### ECC.6.3.9 STEADY STATE LOAD INACCURACIES

The standard deviation of Load error at steady state Load over a 30 minute period must not exceed 2.5 per cent of a Type C or Type D Power Generating Modules (including a DC Connected Power Park Module) Maximum Capacity. Where a Type C or Type D Power Generating Module (including a DC Connected Power Park Module) is instructed to Frequency sensitive operation, allowance will be made in determining whether there has been an error according to the governor droop characteristic registered under the PC.

For the avoidance of doubt in the case of a **Power Park Module** (excluding a **Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Module**) an allowance will be made for the full variation of mechanical power output.

In the case of an **Electricity Storage Module**, an allowance will be made for the storage reserve capability of the **Electricity Storage Module**.

#### ECC.6.3.10 NEGATIVE PHASE SEQUENCE LOADINGS

ECC.6.3.10.1 In addition to meeting the conditions specified in ECC.6.1.5(b), each **Synchronous Power Generating Module** will be required to withstand, without tripping, the negative phase sequence loading incurred by clearance of a close-up phase-to-phase fault, by **System Back-Up Protection** on the **National Electricity Transmission System** or **User System** located **Onshore** in which it is **Embedded**.

### ECC.6.3.11 NEUTRAL EARTHING

- At nominal **System** voltages of 110kV and above the higher voltage windings of a transformer of a **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** or transformer resulting from **OTSDUW** must be star connected with the star point suitable for connection to earth. The earthing and lower voltage winding arrangement shall be such as to ensure that the **Earth Fault Factor** requirement of paragraph ECC.6.2.1.1 (b) will be met on the **National Electricity Transmission System** at nominal **System** voltages of 110kV and above.
- ECC.6.3.12 FREQUENCY AND VOLTAGE DEVIATIONS
- ECC.6.3.12.1 As stated in ECC.6.1.2, the **System Frequency** could rise to 52Hz or fall to 47Hz. Each **Power Generating Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) must continue to operate within this **Frequency** range for at least the periods of time given in ECC.6.1.2 unless **The Company** has specified any requirements for combined **Frequency** and voltage deviations which are required to ensure the best use of technical capabilities of **Power Generating Modules** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) if required to preserve or restore system security.- Notwithstanding this requirement, **EU Generators** should also be aware of the requirements of ECC.6.3.13.
- ECC.6.3.13 <u>FREQUENCY, RATE OF CHANGE OF FREQUENCY AND VOLATGE PROTECTION SETTING ARRANGEMENTS</u>
- ECC.6.3.13.1 EU Generators (including in respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) and HVDC System Owners will be responsible for protecting all their Power Generating Modules (and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) or HVDC Equipment against damage should Frequency excursions outside the range 52Hz to 47Hz ever occur. Should such excursions occur, it is up to the EU Generator or HVDC System Owner to decide whether to disconnect their Apparatus for reasons of safety of Apparatus, Plant and/or personnel.
- ECC.6.3.13.2 Each **Power Park Module** with a **Grid Forming Capability** as provided for in ECC.6.3.19, when connected and synchronised to the **System**, is required to be capable of withstanding without tripping a rate of change of **Frequency** up to and including 2 Hz per second as measured over a rolling 500 milliseconds period. All other **Power Generating Modules** when connected and synchronised to the **System**, shall be capable of withstanding without tripping a rate of change of **Frequency** up to and including 1 Hz per second as measured over a rolling 500 milliseconds period. Voltage dips may cause localised rate of change of **Frequency** values in excess of 1 Hz per second (or 2Hz/s in the case of **Power Park Modules** with a **Grid Forming Capability**) for short periods, and in these cases, the requirements under ECC.6.3.15 (fault ride through) supersedes this clause. For the avoidance of doubt, this requirement relates to the capabilities of **Power Generating Modules** only and does not impose the need for rate of change of **Frequency** protection nor does it impose a specific setting for anti-islanding or loss-of-mains protection relays.
- ECC.6.3.13.3 Each HVDC System and Remote End HVDC Converter Station when connected and synchronised to the System, shall be capable of withstanding without tripping a rate of change of Frequency up to and including ±2.5Hz per second as measured over the previous 1 second period. Voltage dips may cause localised rate of change of Frequency values in excess of ±2.5 Hz per second for short periods, and in these cases, the requirements under ECC.6.3.15 (fault ride through) supersedes this clause. For the avoidance of doubt, this requirement relates to the capabilities of HVDC Systems and Remote End HVDC Converter Stations only and does not impose the need for rate of change of Frequency protection nor does it impose a specific setting for anti-islanding or loss-of-mains protection relays.
- ECC.6.3.13.4 Each **DC Connected Power Park Module** when connected to the **System**, shall be capable of withstanding without tripping a rate of change of **Frequency** up to and including ±2.0Hz per second as measured over the previous 1 second period. **Voltage** dips may cause localised rate of change of **Frequency** values in excess of ±2.0 Hz per second for short periods, and in these cases, the requirements under ECC.6.3.15 (fault ride through) supersedes this clause. For the avoidance of doubt, this requirement relates to the capabilities of **DC Connected Power Park Modules** only and does not impose the need for rate of change of **Frequency** protection nor does it impose a specific setting for anti-islanding or loss-of-mains protection relays.

As stated in ECC.6.1.2, the System Frequency could rise to 52Hz or fall to 47Hz and the System voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point could rise or fall within the values outlined in ECC.6.1.4. Each Type C and Type D Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or any constituent element must continue to operate within this Frequency range for at least the periods of time given in ECC.6.1.2 and voltage range as defined in ECC.6.1.4 unless The Company has agreed to any simultaneous overvoltage and underfrequency relays and/or simultaneous undervoltage and over frequency relays which will trip such Power Generating Module (including DC Connected Power Park Modules), and any constituent element within this Frequency or voltage range. In the case of Grid Forming Plant, Grid Forming Plant Owners are also required to satisfy the System Frequency and System voltage requirements as defined in ECC.6.3.19.

### ECC.6.3.14 FAST START CAPABILITY

ECC.6.3.14.1 It may be agreed in the **Bilateral Agreement** that a **Genset** shall have a **Fast-Start Capability**. Such **Gensets** may be used for **Operating Reserve** and their **Start-Up** may be initiated by **Frequency**-level relays with settings in the range 49Hz to 50Hz as specified pursuant to **OC2**.

# ECC.6.3.15 FAULT RIDE THROUGH

- ECC.6.3.15.1 General Fault Ride Through requirements, principles and concepts applicable to Type B,

  Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus

  subject to faults up to 140ms in duration
- ECC.6.3.15.1.1 ECC.6.3.15.1 ECC.6.3.15.8 section sets out the **Fault Ride Through** requirements on **Type B**, **Type C** and **Type D Power Generating Modules**, **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** and **HVDC Equipment** that shall apply in the event of a fault lasting up to 140ms in duration.
- ECC.6.3.15.1.2 Each Power Generating Module, Power Park Module, HVDC Equipment and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus is required to remain connected and stable for any balanced and unbalanced fault where the voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point or (HVDC Interface Point in the case of Remote End DC Converter Stations or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) remains on or above the heavy black line defined in sections ECC.6.3.15.2 ECC.6.3.15.7 below. For up to 30 minutes following such a fault event each Power Generating Module, Power Park Module, HVDC Equipment and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus is required to remain connected and stable provided System operating conditions have returned within those specified in ECC.6.1.
- The voltage against time curves defined in ECC.6.3.15.2 ECC.6.3.15.7 expresses the lower limit (expressed as the ratio of its actual value and its reference 1pu) of the actual course of the phase to phase voltage (or phase to earth voltage in the case of asymmetrical/unbalanced faults) on the System voltage level at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (or HVDC Interface Point in the case of Remote End HVDC Converter Stations or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) during a symmetrical or asymmetrical/unbalanced fault, as a function of time before, during and after the fault.
- ECC.6.3.15.2 <u>Voltage against time curve and parameters applicable to **Type B Synchronous Power** <u>Generating Modules</u></u>

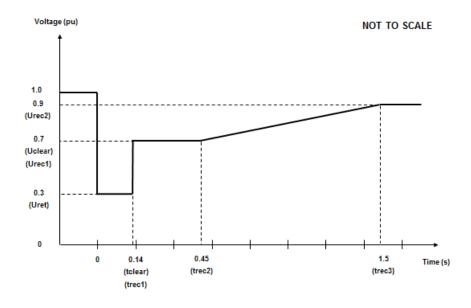


Figure ECC.6.3.15.2 - Voltage against time curve applicable to **Type B Synchronous Power Generating Modules** 

Voltage parameters (pu)		Time parameters (seconds)	
Uret	0.3	tclear	0.14
Uclear	0.7	trec1	0.14
Urec1	0.7	trec2	0.45
Urec2	0.9	trec3	1.5

Table ECC.6.3.15.2 Voltage against time parameters applicable to **Type B Synchronous Power Generating Modules** 

# ECC.6.3.15.3 Voltage against time curve and parameters applicable to Type C and D Synchronous Power Generating Modules connected below 110kV

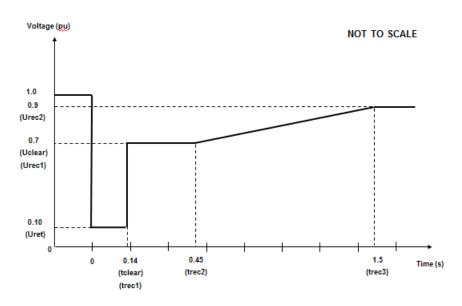


Figure ECC.6.3.15.3 - Voltage against time curve applicable to **Type C** and **D Synchronous Power Generating Modules** connected below 110kV

Voltage parameters (pu)		Time parameters (seconds)	
Uret	0.1	tclear	0.14
Uclear	0.7	trec1	0.14
Urec1	0.7	trec2	0.45
Urec2	0.9	trec3	1.5

# ECC.6.3.15.4 Voltage against time curve and parameters applicable to Type D Synchronous Power Generating Modules connected at or above 110kV

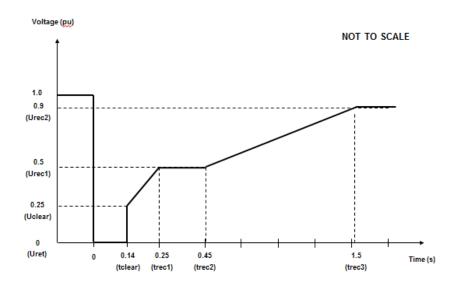


Figure ECC.6.3.15.4 - Voltage against time curve applicable to **Type D Synchronous Power Generating Modules** connected at or above 110kV

Voltage parameters (pu)		Time parameters (seconds)	
Uret	0	tclear	0.14
Uclear	0.25	trec1	0.25
Urec1	0.5	trec2	0.45
Urec2	0.9	trec3	1.5

Table ECC.6.3.15.4 Voltage against time parameters applicable to **Type D Synchronous Power Generating Modules** connected at or above 110kV

# ECC.6.3.15.5 Voltage against time curve and parameters applicable to **Type B**, **C** and **D Power Park**Modules connected below 110kV

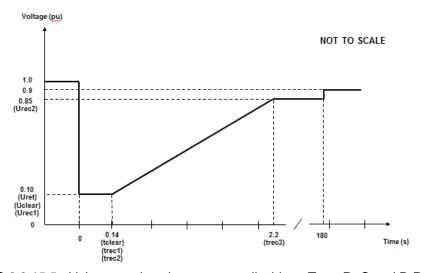


Figure ECC.6.3.15.5 - Voltage against time curve applicable to **Type B**, **C** and **D Power Park Modules** connected below 110kV

Voltage parameters (pu)		Time parameters (seconds)	
Uret	0.10	tclear	0.14

Uclear	0.10	trec1	0.14
Urec1	0.10	trec2	0.14
Urec2	0.85	trec3	2.2

Table ECC.6.3.15.5 Voltage against time parameters applicable to **Type B**, **C** and **D Power Park Modules** connected below 110kV

ECC.6.3.15.6 Voltage against time curve and parameters applicable to Type D Power Park Modules with a Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point at or above 110kV, DC Connected Power Park Modules at the HVDC Interface Point or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point.

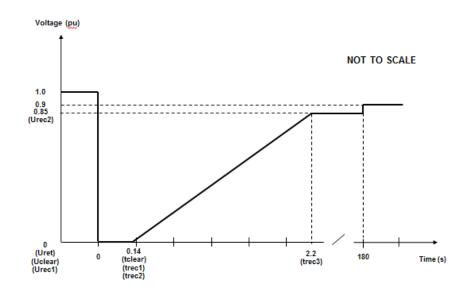


Figure ECC.6.3.15.6 - Voltage against time curve applicable to Type D Power Park Modules with a Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point at or above 110kV, DC Connected Power Park Modules at the HVDC Interface Point or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point.

Voltage parameters (pu)		Time parameters (seconds)	
Uret	0	tclear	0.14
Uclear	0	trec1	0.14
Urec1	0	trec2	0.14
Urec2	0.85	trec3	2.2

Table ECC.6.3.15.6 Voltage against time parameters applicable to a **Type D Power Park Modules** with a **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** at or above 110kV, **DC Connected Power Park Modules** at the **HVDC Interface Point** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** at the **Interface Point**.

ECC.6.3.15.7 Voltage against time curve and parameters applicable to HVDC Systems and Remote End HVDC Converter Stations

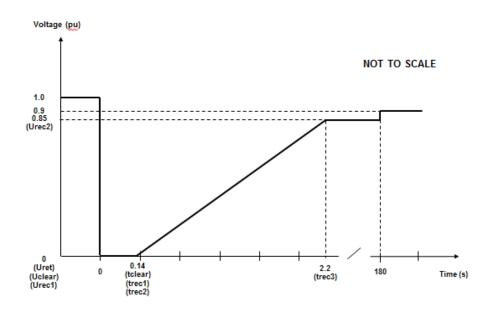


Figure ECC.6.3.15.7 - Voltage against time curve applicable to **HVDC Systems** and **Remote End HVDC**Converter Stations

Voltage parameters (pu)		Time parameters (seconds)	
Uret	0	tclear	0.14
Uclear	0	trec1	0.14
Urec1	0	trec2	0.14
Urec2	0.85	trec3	2.2

Table ECC.6.3.15.7 Voltage against time parameters applicable to **HVDC Systems** and **Remote End HVDC**Converter Stations

ECC.6.3.15.8 In addition to the requirements in ECC.6.3.15.1 – ECC.6.3.15.7:

- (i) Each Type B, Type C and Type D Power Generating Module at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point, HVDC Equipment (or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point) shall be capable of satisfying the above requirements when operating at Rated MW output and maximum leading Power Factor.
- (ii) The Company will specify upon request by the User the pre-fault and post fault short circuit capacity (in MVA) at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (or HVDC Interface Point in the case of a remote end HVDC Converter Stations or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus).
- (iii) The pre-fault voltage shall be taken to be 1.0pu and the post fault voltage shall not be less than 0.9pu.
- (iv) To allow a User to model the Fault Ride Through performance of its Type B, Type C and/or Type D Power Generating Modules or HVDC Equipment, The Company will provide additional network data as may reasonably be required by the EU Code User to undertake such study work in accordance with PC.A.8. Alternatively, The Company may provide generic values derived from typical cases.
- (v) **The Company** will publish fault level data under maximum and minimum demand conditions in the **Electricity Ten Year Statement**.

- Each EU Generator (in respect of Type B, Type C, Type D Power Generating (vi) Modules and DC Connected Power Park Modules) and HVDC System Owners (in respect of HVDC Systems) shall satisfy the requirements in ECC.6.3.15.8(i) -(vii) unless the protection schemes and settings for internal electrical faults trips the Type B, Type C and Type D Power Generating Module, HVDC Equipment (or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) from the System. The protection schemes and settings should not jeopardise Fault Ride Through performance as specified in ECC.6.3.15.8(i) – (vii). The undervoltage protection at the **Grid Entry Point** or User System Entry Point (or HVDC Interface Point in the case of a Remote End HVDC Converter Stations or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) shall be set by the EU Generator (or HVDC System Owner or OTSDUA in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) according to the widest possible range unless The Company and the EU Code User have agreed to narrower settings. All protection settings associated with undervoltage protection shall be agreed between the EU Generator and/or HVDC System Owner with The Company and Relevant Transmission Licensee's and relevant Network Operator (as applicable).
- (vii) Each Type B, Type C and Type D Power Generating Module, HVDC System and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point shall be designed such that upon clearance of the fault on the Onshore Transmission System and within 0.5 seconds of restoration of the voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point or HVDC Interface Point in the case of a Remote End HVDC Converter Stations or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus to 90% of nominal voltage or greater, Active Power output (or Active Power transfer capability in the case of OTSDW Plant and Apparatus or Remote End HVDC Converter Stations) shall be restored to at least 90% of the level immediately before the fault. Once Active Power output (or Active Power transfer capability in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Remote End HVDC Converter Stations) has been restored to the required level, Active Power oscillations shall be acceptable provided that:
  - The total **Active Energy** delivered during the period of the oscillations is at least that which would have been delivered if the **Active Power** was constant
  - The oscillations are adequately damped.
  - In the event of power oscillations, Power Generating Modules shall retain steady state stability when operating at any point on the Power Generating Module Performance Chart.

For AC Connected **Onshore** and **Offshore Power Park Modules** comprising switched reactive compensation equipment (such as mechanically switched capacitors and reactors), such switched reactive compensation equipment shall be controlled such that it is not switched in or out of service during the fault but may act to assist in post fault voltage recovery.

- ECC.6.3.15.9 General Fault Ride Through requirements for faults in excess of 140ms in duration.
- ECC.6.3.15.9.1 General Fault Ride Through requirements applicable to HVDC Equipment and OTSDUW DC Converters subject to faults and voltage dips in excess of 140ms.
- ECC.6.3.15.9.1.1 The requirements applicable to HVDC Equipment including OTSDUW DC Converters subject to faults and voltage disturbances at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point or Interface Point or HVDC Interface Point, including Active Power transfer capability shall be specified in the Bilateral Agreement.
- ECC.6.3.15.9.2 Fault Ride Through requirements for Type C and Type D Synchronous Power Generating

  Modules and Type C and Type D Power Park Modules and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus
  subject to faults and voltage disturbances on the Onshore Transmission System in excess
  of 140ms

- The Fault Ride Through requirements for Type C and Type D Synchronous Power Generating Modules subject to faults and voltage disturbances on the Onshore Transmission System in excess of 140ms are defined in ECC.6.3.15.9.2.1(a) and the Fault Ride Through Requirements for Type C and Type D Power Park Modules and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus subject to faults and voltage disturbances on the Onshore Transmission System greater than 140ms in duration are defined in ECC.6.3.15.9.2.1(b).
  - (a) Requirements applicable to **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** subject to **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** greater than 140ms in duration.

In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.15.1 – ECC.6.3.15.8 each **Synchronous Power Generating Module** shall:

(i) remain transiently stable and connected to the **System** without tripping of any **Synchronous Power Generating Module** for balanced **Supergrid Voltage** dips and associated durations on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which could be at the **Interface Point**) anywhere on or above the heavy black line shown in Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(a) Appendix 4 and Figures EA.4.3.2(a), (b) and (c) provide an explanation and illustrations of Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(a); and,

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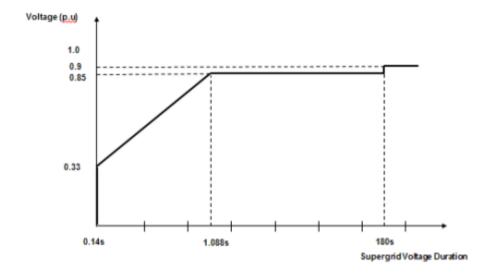


Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(a)

- (ii) provide Active Power output at the Grid Entry Point, during Supergrid Voltage dips on the Onshore Transmission System as described in Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(a), at least in proportion to the retained balanced voltage at the Onshore Grid Entry Point (for Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Modules) or Interface Point (for Offshore Synchronous Power Generating Modules) (or the retained balanced voltage at the User System Entry Point if Embedded) and shall generate maximum reactive current (where the voltage at the Grid Entry Point is outside the limits specified in ECC.6.1.4) without exceeding the transient rating limits of the Synchronous Power Generating Module and,
- (iii) restore **Active Power** output following **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** as described in Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(a), within 1 second of restoration of the voltage to 1.0pu of the nominal voltage at the:

Onshore Grid Entry Point for directly connected Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Modules or,

**Interface Point for Offshore Synchronous Power Generating Modules** or,

**User System Entry Point for Embedded Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Modules** 

or,

**User System Entry Point** for **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** which comprise **Synchronous Generating Units** and with an **Onshore User System Entry Point** (irrespective of whether they are located **Onshore** or **Offshore**)

to at least 90% of the level available immediately before the occurrence of the dip. Once the **Active Power** output has been restored to the required level, **Active Power** oscillations shall be acceptable provided that:

- the total Active Energy delivered during the period of the oscillations is at least that which would have been delivered if the Active Power was constant
- the oscillations are adequately damped.

For the avoidance of doubt a balanced **Onshore Transmission System Supergrid Voltage** meets the requirements of ECC.6.1.5 (b) and ECC.6.1.6.

- (iv) For up to 30 minutes following such a **Supergrid Voltage** dip on the **Onshore Transmission System** each **Synchronous Power Generating Module** is required to remain connected and stable provided **System** operating conditions have returned within those specified in ECC.6.1
- (b) Requirements applicable to Type C and Type D Power Park Modules and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus (excluding OTSDUW DC Converters) subject to Supergrid Voltage dips on the Onshore Transmission System greater than 140ms in duration.

In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.15.5, ECC.6.3.15.6 and ECC.6.3.15.8 (as applicable) each **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** or each **Power Park Module** and / or any constituent **Power Park Unit**, shall:

(i) remain transiently stable and connected to the **System** without tripping of any **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, or **Power Park Module** and / or any constituent **Power Park Unit**, for balanced **Supergrid Voltage** dips and associated durations on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which could be at the **Interface Point**) anywhere on or above the heavy black line shown in Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(b). Appendix 4 and Figures EA.4.3.4 (a), (b) and (c) provide an explanation and illustrations of Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(b); and,

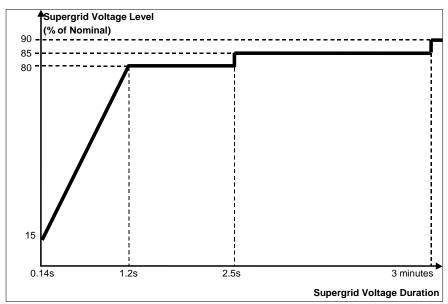


Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(b)

(ii) be required to satisfy the requirements of ECC.6.3.16. In the case of a Non-Synchronous Generating Unit or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Module where there has been a reduction in the Intermittent Power Source or in the case of OTSDUW Active Power transfer capability in the time range in Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(b) an allowance shall be made for the fall in input power and the

corresponding reduction of real and reactive current.

(iii) restore Active Power output (or, in the case of OTSDUW, Active Power transfer capability), following Supergrid Voltage dips on the Onshore Transmission System as described in Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(b), within 1 second of restoration of the voltage to 0.9 pu of the nominal voltage at the:

Onshore Grid Entry Point for directly connected Onshore Power Park Modules or,

**Interface Point** for **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** and **Offshore Power Park Modules** or,

User System Entry Point for Embedded Onshore Power Park Modules or,

User System Entry Point for Embedded Medium Power Stations which comprise Power Park Modules not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and with an Onshore User System Entry Point (irrespective of whether they are located Onshore or Offshore)

to at least 90% of the level available immediately before the occurrence of the dip except in the case of a Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Module where there has been a reduction in the Intermittent Power Source in the time range in Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(b) that restricts the Active Power output or, in the case of OTSDUW, Active Power transfer capability below this level. Once the Active Power output or, in the case of OTSDUW, Active Power transfer capability has been restored to the required level, Active Power oscillations shall be acceptable provided that:

- the total Active Energy delivered during the period of the oscillations is at least that which would have been delivered if the Active Power was constant
- the oscillations are adequately damped.

For the avoidance of doubt a balanced **Onshore Transmission System Supergrid Voltage** meets the requirements of ECC.6.1.5 (b) and ECC.6.1.6.

(iv) For up to 30 minutes following such a **Supergrid Voltage** dip on the **Onshore Transmission System** each **Power Park Module** and / or any constituent **Power Park Unit** and **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** is required to remain connected and stable provided **System** operating conditions have returned within those specified in ECC.6.1.

# ECC.6.3.15.10 Other Fault Ride Through Requirements

- (i) In the case of a Power Park Module (excluding Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules), the requirements in ECC.6.3.15.9 do not apply when the Power Park Module (excluding Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules) is operating at less than 5% of its Rated MW or during very high primary energy source conditions when more than 50% of the Power Park Units in a Power Park Module have been shut down or disconnected under an emergency shutdown sequence to protect User's Plant and Apparatus.
- (ii) In addition to meeting the conditions specified in ECC.6.1.5(b) and ECC.6.1.6, each Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Module and any constituent Power Park Unit thereof will be required to withstand, without tripping, the negative phase sequence loading incurred by clearance of a close-up phase-to-phase fault, by System Back-Up Protection on the Onshore Transmission System operating at Supergrid Voltage.

- (iii) Generators in respect of Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Modules and HVDC System Owners are required to confirm to The Company, their repeated ability to operate through balanced and unbalanced faults and System disturbances each time the voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point falls outside the limits specified in ECC.6.1.4. Demonstration of this capability would be satisfied by EU Generators and HVDC System Owners supplying the protection settings of their plant, informing The Company of the maximum number of repeated operations that can be performed under such conditions and any limiting factors to repeated operation such as protection or thermal rating; and
- (iv) Notwithstanding the requirements of ECC.6.3.15(v), **Power Generating Modules** shall be capable of remaining connected during single phase or three phase auto-reclosures to the **National Electricity Transmission System** and operating without power reduction as long as the voltage and frequency remain within the limits defined in ECC.6.1.4 and ECC.6.1.2; and
- (v) For the avoidance of doubt the requirements specified in ECC.6.3.15 do not apply to **Power Generating Modules** connected to either an unhealthy circuit and/or islanded from the **Transmission System** even for delayed auto reclosure times.
- (vi) To avoid unwanted island operation, Non-Synchronous Generating Units in Scotland (and those directly connected to a Scottish Offshore Transmission System), Power Park Modules in Scotland (and those directly connected to a Scottish Offshore Transmission System), or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus with an Interface Point in Scotland shall be tripped for the following conditions:
  - (1) **Frequency** above 52Hz for more than 2 seconds
  - (2) **Frequency** below 47Hz for more than 2 seconds
  - (3) Voltage as measured at the Onshore Connection Point or Onshore User System Entry Point or Offshore Grid Entry Point or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus is below 80% for more than 2.5 seconds
  - Voltage as measured at the Onshore Connection Point or Onshore User System Entry Point or Offshore Grid Entry Point or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus is above 120% (115% for 275kV) for more than 1 second. The times in sections (1) and (2) are maximum trip times. Shorter times may be used to protect the Non-Synchronous Generating Units, or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus.

### ECC.6.3.15.11 <u>HVDC System Robustness</u>

- The HVDC System shall be capable of finding stable operation points with a minimum change in Active Power flow and voltage level, during and after any planned or unplanned change in the HVDC System or AC System to which it is connected. The Company shall specify the changes in the System conditions for which the HVDC Systems shall remain in stable operation.
- The HVDC System owner shall ensure that the tripping or disconnection of an HVDC Converter Station, as part of any multi-terminal or embedded HVDC System, does not result in transients at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point beyond the limit specified by The Company in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee.
- The **HVDC System** shall withstand transient faults on HVAC lines in the network adjacent or close to the **HVDC System**, and shall not cause any of the equipment in the **HVDC System** to disconnect from the network due to autoreclosure of lines in the **System**.
- ECC.6.3.15.11.4 The **HVDC System Owner** shall provide information to **The Company** on the resilience of the **HVDC System** to AC **System** disturbances.

### ECC.6.3.16 FAST FAULT CURRENT INJECTION

ECC.6.3.16.1 General Fast Fault Current injection, principles and concepts applicable to Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Modules and HVDC Equipment

- In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.1.4, ECC.6.3.2, ECC.6.3.8 and ECC.A.7, each Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module or each Power Park Unit within a Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment shall be required to satisfy the following requirements unless operating in a Grid Forming Capability mode in which case the requirements of ECC.6.3.19 shall apply instead. For the purposes of this requirement, current and voltage are assumed to be positive phase sequence values.
- For any balanced fault which results in the positive phase sequence voltage falling below the voltage levels specified in ECC.6.1.4 at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** (if **Embedded**), each **Type B**, **Type C** and **Type D Power Park Module** or each **Power Park Unit** within a **Type B**, **Type C** and **Type D Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment** shall, as a minimum (unless an alternative type registered solution has otherwise been agreed with **The Company**), be required to inject a reactive current above the heavy black line shown in Figure ECC.16.3.16(a)

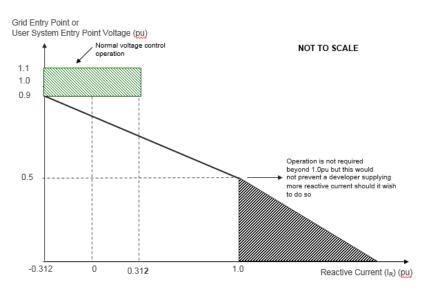


Figure ECC.6.3.16(a)

ECC.6.3.16.1.3 Figure ECC.6.3.16(a) defines the reactive current (I<sub>R</sub>) to be supplied under a faulted condition which shall be dependent upon the pre-fault operating condition and the retained voltage at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** voltage. For the avoidance of doubt, each **Power Park Module** (and any constituent element thereof) or **HVDC Equipment**, shall be required to inject a reactive current (I<sub>R</sub>) which shall be not less than its pre-fault reactive current and which shall as a minimum increase with the fall in the retained voltage each time the voltage at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** (if **Embedded**) falls below 0.9pu whilst ensuring the overall rating of the **Power Park Module** (or constituent element thereof) or **HVDC Equipment** shall not be exceeded.

ECC.6.3.16.1.4 In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.16.1.2 and ECC.6.3.16.1.3, each Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module or each Power Park Unit within a Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment shall be required to inject reactive current above the shaded area shown in Figure ECC.6.3.16(b) and Figure ECC.6.3.16(c) which illustrates how the reactive current shall be injected over time from fault inception in which the value of I<sub>R</sub> is determined from Figure ECC.6.3.16(a). In figures ECC.6.3.16(b) and ECC.6.3.16(c) ΔI<sub>R</sub> is the value of the reactive current (I<sub>R</sub>) less the prefault current. In this context fault inception is taken to be when the voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point falls below 0.9pu.

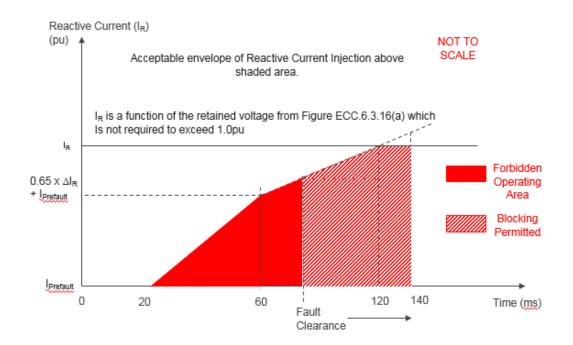


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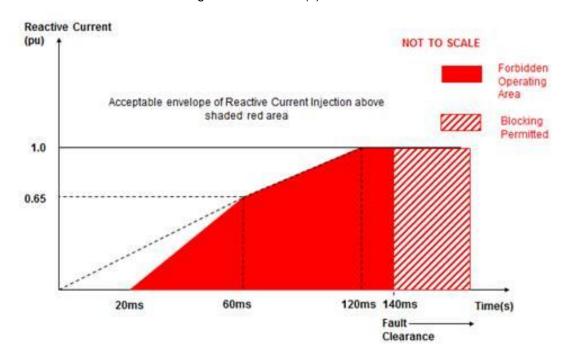


Figure ECC.16.3.16(c)

- ECC.6.3.16.1.5 The injected reactive current (I<sub>R</sub>)shall be above the shaded area shown in Figure ECC.6.3.16(b) and Figure ECC.6.3.16(c) with priority being given to reactive current injection with any residual capability being supplied as active current. Under any faulted condition, where the voltage falls outside the limits specified in ECC.6.1.4, there would be no requirement for each **Power Park Module** or constituent **Power Park Unit** or **HVDC Equipment** to exceed its transient or steady state rating of 1.0pu as defined in ECC.6.3.16.1.7.
- ECC.6.3.16.1.6 For any planned or switching events (as outlined in ECC.6.1.7 of the Grid Code) or unplanned events which results in temporary power frequency over voltages (TOV's), each Type B, Type C and Type D Power Generating Module or each Power Park Unit within a Type B, Type C or Type D Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment will be required to satisfy the transient overvoltage limits specified in the Bilateral Agreement.
- For the purposes of this requirement, the maximum rated current is taken to be the maximum current each Power Park Module (or the sum of the constituent Power Park Units which are connected to the System at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point) or HVDC Converter is capable of supplying. In the case of a Power Park Module this would be the maximum rated current at the Grid Entry Point (or User System Entry Point if Embedded) when the Power Park Module is operating at rated Active Power and rated Reactive Power (as required under ECC.6.3.2) whilst operating over the nominal voltage range as required under ECC.6.1.4 at the Grid Entry Point (or User System Entry Point if Embedded). In the case of a Power Park Unit forming part of a Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module, the maximum rated current expected would be the maximum current supplied from each constituent Power Park Unit when the Power Park Module is operating at rated Active Power and rated Reactive Power over the nominal voltage operating range as defined in ECC.6.1.4 less the contribution from the reactive compensation equipment.

For example, in the case of a 100MW **Power Park Module** (consisting of 50 x 2MW Power Park Units and +10MVAr reactive compensation equipment) the **Rated Active Power** at the **Grid Entry Point** (or **User System Entry Point** if **Embedded**) would be taken as 100MW and the rated **Reactive Power** at the **Grid Entry Point** or (**User System Entry Point** if **Embedded**) would be taken as 32.8MVArs (ie **Rated MW** output operating at 0.95 **Power Factor** lead or 0.95 **Power Factor** lag as required under ECC.6.3.2.4). In this example, the maximum rating of each constituent **Power Park Unit** is obtained when the **Power Park** 

**Module** is operating at 100MW, and +32.8MVAr less 10MVAr equal to 22.8MVAr or – 32.8MVAr (less the reactive compensation equipment component of 10MVAr (ie - 22.8MVAr) when operating within the normal voltage operating range as defined under ECC.6.1.4 (allowing for any reactive compensation equipment or losses in the **Power Park Module** array network).

For the avoidance of doubt, the total current of 1.0pu would be assumed to be on the MVA rating of the **Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment** (less losses). Under all normal and abnormal conditions, the steady state or transient rating of the **Power Park Module** (or any constituent element including the **Power Park Units**) or **HVDC Equipment**, would not be required to exceed the locus shown in Figure 16.3.16(d).

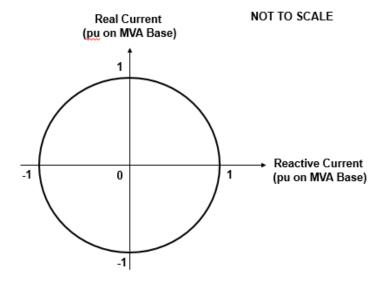


Figure ECC.16.3.16(d)

ECC.6.3.16.1.7

Each Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment shall be designed to ensure a smooth transition between voltage control mode and fault ride through mode in order to prevent the risk of instability which could arise in the transition between the steady state voltage operating range as defined under ECC.6.1.4 and abnormal conditions where the retained voltage falls below 90% of nominal voltage. Such a requirement is necessary to ensure adequate performance between the pre-fault operating condition of the Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment and its subsequent behaviour under faulted conditions. EU Generators and HVDC System Owners are required to both advise and agree with The Company the control strategy employed to mitigate the risk of such instability.

ECC.6.3.16.1.8

Each Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment shall be designed to reduce the risk of transient over voltage levels arising following clearance of the fault and in order to mitigate the risk of any form of instability which could result. EU Generators or HVDC System Owners shall be permitted to block or employ other means where the anticipated transient overvoltage would otherwise exceed the maximum permitted values specified in ECC.6.1.7. Figure ECC.16.3.16(b) and Figure ECC.16.3.16(c) shows the impact of variations in fault clearance time. For main protection operating times this would not exceed 140ms. The requirements for the maximum transient overvoltage withstand capability and associated time duration, shall be agreed between the EU Code User and The Company as part of the Bilateral Agreement. Where the EU Code User is able to demonstrate to The Company that blocking or other control strategies are required in order to prevent the risk of transient over voltage excursions as specified in ECC.6.3.16.1.5, EU Generators and HVDC System Owners are required to both advise and agree with The Company the control strategy, which must also include the approach taken to de-blocking

- In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.15, Generators in respect of Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Modules or each Power Park Unit within a Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module or DC Connected Power Park Modules and HVDC System Owners in respect of HVDC Systems are required to confirm to The Company, their repeated ability to supply Fast Fault Current to the System each time the voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point falls outside the limits specified in ECC.6.1.4. EU Generators and HVDC Equipment Owners should inform The Company of the maximum number of repeated operations that can be performed under such conditions and any limiting factors to repeated operation such as protection or thermal rating.
- To permit additional flexibility for example from **Power Park Modules** made up of full converter machines, DFIG machines, induction generators or **HVDC Systems** or **Remote End HVDC Converters**, **The Company** will permit transient or marginal deviations below the shaded area shown in Figures ECC.16.3.16(b) or ECC.16.3.16(c) provided the injected reactive current supplied exceeds the area bound in Figure ECC.6.3.16(b) or ECC.6.3.16(c). Such agreement would be confirmed and agreed between **The Company** and **Generator**.
- ECC.6.3.16.1.11 In the case of a **Power Park Module** or **DC Connected Power Park Module**, where it is not practical to demonstrate the compliance requirements of ECC.6.3.16.1.1 to ECC.6.3.16.1.6 at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point**, **The Company** will accept compliance of the above requirements at the **Power Park Unit** terminals.
- ECC.6.3.16.1.12 For the avoidance of doubt, **Generators** in respect of **Type C** and **Type D Power Park Modules** and **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** are also required to satisfy the requirements of ECC.6.3.15.9.2.1(b) which specifies the requirements for fault ride through for voltage dips in excess of 140ms.
- ECC.6.3.16.1.13 In the case of an unbalanced fault, each Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module or each Power Park Unit within a Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment shall be required to inject reactive current (IR) which shall as a minimum increase with the fall in the retained unbalanced voltage up to its maximum reactive current without exceeding the transient rating of the Power Park Module (or constituent element thereof) or HVDC Equipment.
- ECC.6.3.16.1.14 In the case of a unbalanced fault, the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** shall confirm to **The Company** their ability to prevent transient overvoltages arising on the remaining healthy phases and the control strategy employed.
- ECC.6.3.17 <u>SUBSYNCHRONOUS TORSIONAL INTERACTION DAMPING CAPABILITY, POWER OSCILLATION DAMPING CAPABILITY AND CONTROL FACILITIES FOR HVDC SYSTEMS</u>
- ECC.6.3.17.1 Subsynchronous Torsional Interaction Damping Capability
- ECC.6.3.17.1.1 HVDC System Owners, or Generators in respect of OTSDUW DC Converters or Network Operators in the case of an Embedded HVDC Systems not subject to a Bilateral Agreement must ensure that any of their Onshore HVDC Systems or OTSDUW DC Converters will not cause a sub-synchronous resonance problem on the Total System. Each HVDC System or OTSDUW DC Converter is required to be provided with sub-synchronous resonance damping control facilities. HVDC System Owners and EU Generators in respect of OTSDUW DC Converters should also be aware of the requirements in ECC.6.1.9 and ECC.6.1.10.
- ECC.6.3.17.1.2 Where specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**, each **OTSDUW DC Converter** is required to be provided with power oscillation damping or any other identified additional control facilities.

- ECC.6.3.17.1.3 Each HVDC System shall be capable of contributing to the damping of power oscillations on the National Electricity Transmission System. The control system of the HVDC System shall not reduce the damping of power oscillations. The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee (as applicable) shall specify a frequency range of oscillations that the control scheme shall positively damp and the System conditions when this occurs, at least accounting for any dynamic stability assessment studies undertaken by the Relevant Transmission Licensee or The Company (as applicable) to identify the stability limits and potential stability problems on the National Electricity Transmission System. The selection of the control parameter settings shall be agreed between The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee and the HVDC System Owner.
- ECC.6.3.17.1.4 **The Company** shall specify the necessary extent of SSTI studies and provide input parameters, to the extent available, related to the equipment and relevant system conditions on the **National Electricity Transmission System**. The SSTI studies shall be provided by the **HVDC System Owner**. The studies shall identify the conditions, if any, where SSTI exists and propose any necessary mitigation procedure. The responsibility for undertaking the studies in accordance with these requirements lies with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** in co-ordination with **The Company**. All parties shall be informed of the results of the studies.
- ECC.6.3.17.1.5 All parties identified by **The Company** as relevant to each **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** (if **Embedded**), including the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, shall contribute to the studies and shall provide all relevant data and models as reasonably required to meet the purposes of the studies. **The Company** shall collect this data and, where applicable, pass it on to the party responsible for the studies in accordance with **Assimilated Law** (Article 10 of Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1447). Specific information relating to the interface schedules, input/output requirements, timing and submission of any studies or data would be agreed between the **User** and **The Company** and specified (where applicable) in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECC.6.3.17.1.6 **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** shall assess the result of the SSTI studies. If necessary for the assessment, **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** may request that the **HVDC System Owner** perform further SSTI studies in line with this same scope and extent.
- ECC.6.3.17.1.7 **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** may review or replicate the study. The **HVDC System Owner** shall provide **The Company** with all relevant data and models that allow such studies to be performed. Submission of this data to **Relevant Transmission Licensee's** shall be in accordance with the requirements of **Assimilated Law** (Article 10 of Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1447).
- ECC.6.3.17.1.8 Any necessary mitigating actions identified by the studies carried out in accordance with paragraphs ECC.6.3.17.1.4 or ECC.6.3.17.1.6, and reviewed by **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensees**, shall be undertaken by the **HVDC System Owner** as part of the connection of the new **HVDC Converter Station**.
- ECC.6.3.17.1.9 As part of the studies and data flow in respect of ECC.6.3.17.1 ECC.6.3.17.8 the following data exchange would take place with the time scales being pursuant to the terms of the Bilateral Agreement.

Information supplied by The Company and Relevant Transmission Licensees

Studies provided by the User

User review

The Company review

Changes to studies and agreed updates between **The Company**, the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and **User** 

Final review

ECC.6.3.17.2 Interaction between HVDC Systems or other User's Plant and Apparatus

- ECC.6.3.17.2.1 Notwithstanding the requirements of ECC6.1.9 and ECC.6.1.10, when several HVDC Converter Stations or other User's Plant and Apparatus are within close electrical proximity, The Company may specify that a study is required, and the scope and extent of that study, to demonstrate that no adverse interaction will occur. If adverse interaction is identified, the studies shall identify possible mitigating actions to be implemented to ensure compliance with the requirements of ECC.6.1.9
- ECC.6.3.17.2.2 The studies shall be carried out by the connecting **HVDC System Owner** with the participation of all other **User's** identified by **The Company** in coordination with **Relevant Transmission Licensees** as relevant to each **Connection Point**.
- ECC.6.3.17.2.3 All **User's** identified by **The Company** as relevant to the connection, and where applicable **Relevant Transmission Licensee's**, shall contribute to the studies and shall provide all relevant data and models as reasonably required to meet the purposes of the studies. **The Company** shall collect this input and, where applicable, pass it on to the party responsible for the studies in accordance with **Assimilated Law** (Article 10 of Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1447). Specific information relating to the interface schedules, input/output requirements, timing and submission of any studies or data would be agreed between the **User** and **The Company** and specified (where applicable) in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECC.6.3.17.2.4 **The Company** in coordination with **Relevant Transmission Licensees** shall assess the result of the studies based on their scope and extent as specified in accordance with ECC.6.3.17.2.1. If necessary for the assessment, **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** may request the **HVDC System Owner** to perform further studies in line with the scope and extent specified in accordance with ECC.6.3.17.2.1.
- ECC.6.3.17.2.5 **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** may review or replicate some or all of the studies. The **HVDC System Owner** shall provide **The Company** all relevant data and models that allow such studies to be performed.
- ECC.6.3.17.2.6 The **EU Code User** and **The Company**, in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, shall agree any mitigating actions identified by the studies carried out following the site specific requirements and works, including any transmission reinforcement works and / or **User** works required to ensure that all sub-synchronous oscillations are sufficiently damped.
- ECC.6.1.17.3 Fast Recovery from DC faults
- ECC.6.1.17.3.1 **HVDC Systems**, including DC overhead lines, shall be capable of fast recovery from transient faults within the **HVDC System**. Details of this capability shall be subject to the **Bilateral Agreement** and the protection requirements specified in ECC.6.2.2.
- ECC.6.1.17.4 Maximum loss of **Active Power**
- ECC.6.1.14.4.1 An **HVDC System** shall be configured in such a way that its loss of **Active Power** injection in the **GB Synchronous Area** shall be in accordance with the requirements of the **SQSS**.
- ECC.6.3.18 SYSTEM TO GENERATOR OPERATIONAL INTERTRIPPING SCHEMES
- ECC.6.3.18.1 The Company may require that a System to Generator Operational Intertripping Scheme be installed as part of a condition of the connection of the EU Generator. Scheme specific details shall be included in the relevant Bilateral Agreement and shall, include the following information:
  - (1) the relevant category(ies) of the scheme (referred to as Category 1 Intertripping Scheme, Category 2 Intertripping Scheme, Category 3 Intertripping Scheme and Category 4 Intertripping Scheme);
  - (2) the **Power Generating Module** to be either permanently armed or that can be instructed to be armed in accordance with BC2.8;
  - (3) the time within which the **Power Generating Module** circuit breaker(s) are to be automatically tripped;

(4) the location to which the trip signal will be provided by The Company. Such location will be provided by The Company prior to the commissioning of the Power Generating Module.

Where applicable, the **Bilateral Agreement** shall include the conditions on the **National Electricity Transmission System** during which **The Company** may instruct the **System to Generator Operational Intertripping Scheme** to be armed and the conditions that would initiate a trip signal.

ECC.6.3.18.2 The time within which the **Power Generating Module(s)** circuit breaker(s) need to be automatically tripped is determined by the specific conditions local to the **EU Generator**. This 'time to trip' (defined as the time from provision of the trip signal by **The Company** to the specified location, to circuit breaker main contact opening) can typically range from 100ms to 10sec. A longer time to trip may allow the initiation of an automatic reduction in the **Power Generating Module(s)** circuit breaker. Where applicable **The Company** may provide separate trip signals to allow for either a longer or shorter 'time to trip' to be initiated.

#### ECC.6.3.19 GRID FORMING CAPABILITY

- ECC.6.3.19.1 In order for the National Electricity Transmission System to satisfy the stability requirements defined in the National Electricity Transmission System Security and Quality of Supply Standards, it is an essential requirement that an appropriate volume of Grid Forming Plant is available and capable of providing a Grid Forming Capability.
- ECC.6.3.19.2 **Grid Forming Capability** is not a mandatory requirement but one which will be delivered through market arrangements, the details of which shall be published on **The Company's Website**. **Grid Forming Capability** can be implemented by any technology including **Electronic Power Converters** with a **GBGF- I** ability, rotating **Synchronous Generating Units** or a combination of the two.
- ECC.6.3.19.3 As noted in ECC.6.3.19.2, **Grid Forming Capability** is not a mandatory requirement, however where a **User** (be they a **GB Code User** or **EU Code User**) or **Non-CUSC Party** wishes to offer a **Grid Forming Capability**, then they will be required to ensure their **Grid Forming Plant** meets the following requirements.
  - (i) The Grid Forming Plant must fully comply with the applicable requirements of the Grid Code including but not limited to the Planning Code (PC), Connection Conditions (CC's) or European Connection Conditions (ECC's) (as applicable), Compliance Processes (CP's) or European Compliance Processes (ECP's) (as applicable), Operating Codes (OC's), Balancing Codes (BC's) and Data Registration Code (DRC).
  - (ii) Each GBGF-I shall be capable of behaving at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point or terminals of individual unit(s) as Internal Voltage Source behind an impedance.
  - (iii) In addition to meeting the requirements of CC.6.3.15 or ECC.6.3.15, each **Grid Forming Plant** is required to remain in synchronism with the **Total System** and maintain a **Load Angle** whose value can vary between 0 and 90 degrees ( $\pi/2$  radians).
  - (iv) When subject to a fault or disturbance, or System Frequency change, each Grid Forming Plant shall be capable of supplying Active ROCOF Response Power, Active Phase Jump Power, Active Damping Power, Active Control Based Power, Control Based Reactive Power, Voltage Jump Reactive Power and GBGF Fast Fault Current Injection.
  - (v) Each **GBGF-I** shall be capable of:-

- (a) Providing a symmetrical ability for importing and exporting Active ROCOF Response Power, Active Phase Jump Power, Active Damping Power and Active Control Based Power under both rising and falling System Frequency conditions. Such requirements will apply over the full System Frequency range as detailed in CC.6.1.2 and CC.6.1.3 or ECC.6.1.2 (as applicable). In satisfying these requirements, User's and Non-CUSC Parties should be aware of (but not limited to) the exclusions in CC.6.3.3, CC.6.3.7 and BC3.7.2.1 (as applicable for GB Code User's) or ECC.6.1.2, ECC.6.3.3, ECC.6.3.7 and BC3.7.2.1(b)(i) (as applicable for EU Code User's and Non-CUSC Parties) during System Frequencies between 47Hz 52Hz, excluding CC.6.1.3 or ECC.6.1,2.1,2 for a Grid Forming Plant with time limited output ratings. For the avoidance of doubt, an asymmetrical response is permissible as agreed with The Company when required to protect User's and Non-CUSC Parties Plant and Apparatus or asymmetry in energy availability.
- (b) Operating as a voltage source behind an impedance.
- (c) being designed so as not to cause any undue interactions which could cause damage to the **Total System** or other **User's Plant** and **Apparatus**.
- (d) include an Active Control Based Power part of the control system that can respond to changes in the Grid Forming Plant or external signals from the Total System available at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point but with a bandwidth below 5 Hz to avoid AC System resonance problems.
- (e) meeting the requirements of ECC.6.3.13 irrespective of being owned or operated by a **GB Code User**, **EU Code User** or **Non-CUSC Party**.
- (f) GBGF-I with an importing capability mode of operation such as DC Converters, HVDC Systems and Electricity Storage Modules are required to have a predefined frequency response operating characteristic over the full import and export range which is contained within the envelope defined by the red and blue lines shown in Figure ECC.6.3.19.3. This characteristic shall be submitted to The Company. For the avoidance of doubt, Grid Forming Plants which are only capable of exporting Active Power to the Total System are only required to operate over the exporting power region

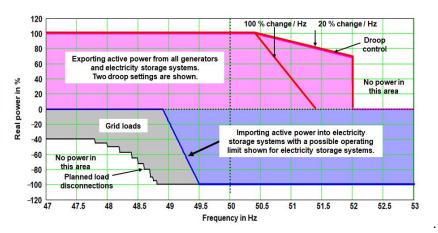


Figure ECC.6.3.19.3

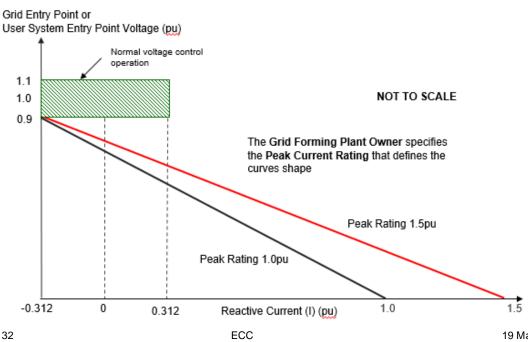
(vi) Each User or Non-CUSC Party shall design their GBGF-I system with an equivalent Damping Factor of between 0.2 and 5.0. It is down to the User or Non-CUSC Party to determine the Damping Factor, whose value shall be agreed with The Company. It is typical for the Damping Factor to be less than 1.0, though this will be dependent upon the parameters of the Grid Forming Plant and the equivalent System impedance at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point.

The output of the **Grid Forming Plant** shall be designed such that following a disturbance on the **System**, the **Active Power** output and **Reactive Power** output shall be adequately damped. The damping shall be judged to be adequate if the corresponding **Active Power** response to a disturbance decays with a response that is in line with the response of second order system that has the same equivalent **Damping Factor**.

- (vii) Each GBGF-I shall be designed so as not to interact and affect the operation, performance, safety or capability of other User's Plant and Apparatus connected to the Total System. To achieve this requirement, each User and Non-CUSC Party shall be required to submit the data required in PC.A.5.8
- ECC.6.3.19.4 In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.19.1 ECC.6.3.19.3 each **Grid Forming Plant** shall also be capable of:
  - satisfying the requirements of ECC.6.3.19.5.
  - (ii) operating at a minimum short circuit level of zero MVA at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point**.
  - (iii) providing any additional quality of supply requirements, including but not limited to reductions in the permitted frequency of Temporary Power **System** Over-voltage events (TOV's) and **System Frequency** bandwidth limitations, as agreed with **The Company**. Such requirements will be pursuant to the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement**. For the avoidance of doubt, this requirement is in addition the minimum quality of supply requirements detailed in CC.6.1.5, CC.6.1.6 and CC.6.1.7 (as applicable) or ECC.6.1.5, ECC.6.1.6 and ECC.6.1.7 (as applicable).

# ECC.6.3.19.5 GBGF Fast Fault Current Injection

ECC.6.3.19.5.1 For any balanced fault which results in the positive phase sequence voltage falling below the voltage levels specified in CC.6.1.4 or ECC.6.1.4 (as applicable) at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** (if **Embedded**), a **Grid Forming Plant** shall, as a minimum be required to inject a reactive current of at least their **Peak Current Rating** when the voltage at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** drops to zero. For intermediate retained voltages at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point**, the injected reactive current shall be on or above a line drawn from the bottom left hand corner of the normal voltage control operating zone (shown in the rectangular green shaded area of Figure ECC.6.3.19.5(a)) and the specified **Peak Current Rating** at a voltage of zero at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** as shown in Figure ECC.16.3.19.5(a). Typical examples of limit lines are shown in Figure ECC.16.3.19.5(a) for a **Peak Current Rating** of 1.0pu where the injected reactive current must be on or above the black line and a **Peak Current Rating** of 1.5pu where injected reactive current must be on or above the red line.



ECC.6.3.19.5.2 Figure ECC.6.3.19.5(a) defines the reactive current to be supplied under a faulted condition which shall be dependent upon the pre-fault operating condition and the retained voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point voltage. For the avoidance of doubt, each Grid Forming Plant (and any constituent element thereof), shall be required to inject a reactive current which shall be not less than its pre-fault reactive current and which shall as a minimum, increase each time the voltage at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (if Embedded) falls below 0.9pu whilst ensuring the overall rating of the Grid Forming Plant (or constituent element thereof) shall not be exceeded.

ECC.6.3.19.5.3 In addition to the requirements of ECC.6.3.19.5.1 and ECC.6.3.19.5.2, each **Grid Forming**Plant shall be required to inject reactive current above the shaded area shown in Figure ECC.6.3.19.5(b) when the retained voltage at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry**Point falls to 0pu. Where the retained voltage at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry**Point is below 0.9pu but above 0pu (for example when significant active current is drawn by loads and/or resistive components arising from both local and remote faults or disturbances from other **Plant** and **Apparatus** connected to the **Total System**) the injected reactive current component shall be in accordance with Figure ECC.6.3.19.5(a).

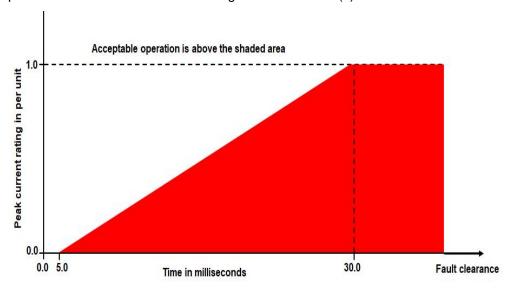


Figure ECC.6.3.19.5(b)

ECC.6.3.19.5.4 The injected current shall be above the shaded area shown in Figure ECC.6.3.19.5(b) for the duration of the fault clearance time which for faults on the **Transmission System** cleared in **Main Protection** operating times shall be up to 140ms. Under any faulted condition, where the voltage falls outside the limits specified in CC.6.1.4 or ECC.6.1.4 (as applicable), there will be no requirement for each **Grid Forming Plant** or constituent part to exceed its transient or steady state rating as defined in Table PC.A.5.8.2.

ECC.6.3.19.5.5 For any planned or switching events (as outlined in CC.6.1.7 or ECC.6.1.7 of the Grid Code) or unplanned events which results in Temporary Power **System** Over Voltages (TOV's), each **Grid Forming Plant** will be required to satisfy the transient overvoltage limits specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**.

ECC.6.3.19.5.6 For the purposes of this requirement, the maximum rated current will be the **Peak Current**Rating declared by the **Grid Forming Plant Owner** in accordance with Table PC.A.5.8.2.

- ECC.6.3.19.5.7 Each **Grid Forming Plant** shall be designed to ensure a smooth transition between voltage control mode and **Fault Ride Through** mode in order to prevent the risk of instability which could arise in the transition between the steady state voltage operating range as defined under CC.6.1.4 or ECC.6.1.4 (as applicable) and abnormal conditions where the retained voltage falls below 90% of nominal voltage. Such a requirement is necessary to ensure adequate performance between the pre-fault operating condition of the **Grid Forming Plant** and its subsequent behaviour under faulted conditions. **Grid Forming Plant Owners** are required to both advise and agree with **The Company** the control strategy employed to mitigate the risk of such instability.
- ECC.6.3.19.5.8. Each **Grid Forming Plant** shall be designed to reduce the risk of transient over voltage levels arising following clearance of the fault and in order to mitigate the risk of any form of instability which could result. The requirements for the maximum transient overvoltage withstand capability and associated time duration, shall be agreed between the **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** and **The Company** as part of the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECC.6.3.19.5.9 In addition to the requirements of CC.6.3.15 or ECC.6.3.15, each **Grid Forming Plant**Owner is required to confirm to **The Company**, their repeated ability to supply **GBGF Fast**Fault Current Injection to the **System** each time the voltage at the **Grid Entry Point** or

  User **System Entry Point** falls outside the limits specified in CC.6.1.4 or ECC.6.1.4 (as applicable). **Grid Forming Plant Owners** should inform **The Company** of the maximum number of repeated operations that can be performed under such conditions and any limiting factors to repeated operation such as protection or thermal rating.
- ECC.6.3.19.5.10 In the case of a **Power Park Module** or **DC Connected Power Park Module**, where it is not practical to demonstrate the compliance requirements of ECC.6.3.19.5.1 to ECC.6.3.19.5.5 at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point**, **The Company** will accept compliance of the above requirements at the **Power Park Unit** terminals.
- ECC.6.3.19.5.11 In the case of an unbalanced fault, each **Grid Forming Plant**, shall be required to inject current which shall as a minimum increase with the fall in the unbalanced voltage without exceeding the transient **Peak Current Rating** of the **Grid Forming Plant** (or constituent element thereof).
- ECC.6.3.19.5.12 In the case of an unbalanced fault, the **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** shall confirm to **The Company** their ability to prevent transient overvoltages arising on the remaining healthy phases and the control strategy employed.
- ECC.6.4 General Network Operator And Non-Embedded Customer Requirements
- This part of the **Grid Code** describes the technical and design criteria and performance requirements for **Network Operators** and **Non-Embedded Customers**.

#### **Neutral Earthing**

At nominal **System** voltages of 132kV and above the higher voltage windings of three phase transformers and transformer banks connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** must be star connected with the star point suitable for connection to earth. The earthing and lower voltage winding arrangement shall be such as to ensure that the **Earth Fault Factor** requirement of paragraph ECC.6.2.1.1 (b) will be met on the **National Electricity Transmission System** at nominal **System** voltages of 132kV and above.

#### Frequency Sensitive Relays

As explained under OC6, each Network Operator and Non Embedded Customer, will make arrangements that will facilitate automatic low Frequency Disconnection of Demand (based on Annual ACS Conditions). ECC.A.5.5. of Appendix E5 includes specifications of the local percentage Demand that shall be disconnected at specific frequencies. The manner in which Demand subject to low Frequency disconnection will be split into discrete MW blocks is specified in OC6.6. Technical requirements relating to Low Frequency Relays are also listed in Appendix E5.

#### Operational Metering

Where The Company can reasonably demonstrate that an Embedded Medium Power Station or Embedded HVDC System has a significant effect on the National Electricity Transmission System, it may require the Network Operator within whose System the Embedded Medium Power Station or Embedded HVDC System is situated to ensure that the operational metering equipment described in ECC.6.5.6 is installed such that The Company can receive the data referred to in ECC.6.5.6. In the case of an Embedded Medium Power Station subject to, or proposed to be subject to a Bilateral Agreement, The Company shall notify such Network Operator of the details of such installation in writing within 3 months of being notified of the application to connect under CUSC and in the case of an Embedded Medium Power Station not subject to, or not proposed to be subject to a Bilateral Agreement in writing as a Site Specific Requirement in accordance with the timescales in CUSC 6.5.5. In either case the Network Operator shall ensure that the data referred to in ECC.6.5.6 is provided to The Company.

#### ECC.6.4.5 Reactive Power Requirements at each EU Grid Supply Point

- At each EU Grid Supply Point, Non-Embedded Customers and Network Operators who are EU Code Users shall ensure their Systems are capable of steady state operation within the Reactive Power limits as specified in ECC.6.4.5.1(a) and ECC.6.4.5.1(b). Where The Company requires a Reactive Power range which is broader than the limits defined in ECC.6.4.5.1(a) and ECC.6.4.5.1(b), this will be agreed as a reasonable requirement through joint assessment between the relevant EU Code User and The Company and justified in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.4.5.1(c), (d), (e) and (f). For Non-Embedded Customers who are EU Code Users, the Reactive Power range at each EU Grid Supply Point, under both importing and exporting conditions, shall not exceed 48% of the larger of the Maximum Import Capability or Maximum Export Capability (0.9 Power Factor import or export of Active Power), except in situations where either technical or financial system benefits are demonstrated for Non-Embedded Customers and accepted by The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee.
  - (a) For **Network Operators** who are **EU Code Users** at each **EU Grid Supply Point**, the **Reactive Power** range shall not exceed:
    - (i) 48 percent (i.e. 0.9 **Power Factor**) of the larger of the **Maximum Import Capability** or **Maximum Export Capability** during **Reactive Power** import (consumption); and
    - 48 percent (i.e. 0.9 Power Factor) of the larger of the Maximum Import Capability or Maximum Export Capability during Reactive Power export (production);

Except in situations where either technical or financial system benefits are proved by **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and the relevant **Network Operator** through joint analysis.

(b) The Company in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall agree with the Network Operator on the scope of the analysis, which shall determine the optimal solution for Reactive Power exchange between their Systems at each EU Grid Supply Point, taking adequately into consideration the specific System characteristics, variable structure of power exchange, bidirectional flows and the Reactive Power capabilities of the Network Operator's System. Any proposed solutions shall take the above issues into account and shall be agreed as a reasonable requirement through joint assessment between the relevant Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer and The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee. In the event of a shared site between a GB Code User and EU Code User, the requirements would generally be allocated to each User on the basis of their Demand in the case of a Network Operator who is a GB Code User and applied on the basis of the Maximum Import Capability or Maximum Export Capability as specified in ECC.6.4.5.1 in the case of a Network Operator who is an EU Code User.

- (c) The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee may specify the Reactive Power capability range at the EU Grid Supply Point in another form other than Power Factor.
- (d) Notwithstanding the ability of **Network Operators** or **Non Embedded Customers** to apply for a derogation from ECC.6.4.5.1 (e), where an **EU Grid Supply Point** is shared between a **Power Generating Module** and a **Non-Embedded Customers System**, the **Reactive Power** range would be apportioned to each **EU Code User** at their **Connection Point**.
- Where agreed with the **Network Operator** who is an **EU Code User** and justified though appropriate **System** studies, **The Company** may reasonably require the **Network Operator** not to export **Reactive Power** at the **EU Grid Supply Point** (at nominal voltage) at an **Active Power** flow of less than 25 % of the **Maximum Import Capability**. Where applicable, the **Authority** may require **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** to justify its request through a joint analysis with the relevant **Network Operator** and demonstrate that any such requirement is reasonable. If this requirement is not justified based on the joint analysis, **The Company** in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and the **Network Operator** shall agree on necessary requirements according to the outcomes of a joint analysis.
- Notwithstanding the requirements of ECC.6.4.5.1(b) and subject to agreement between The Company and the relevant Network Operator there may be a requirement to actively control the exchange of Reactive Power at the EU Grid Supply Point for the benefit of the Total System. The Company and the relevant Network Operator shall agree on a method to carry out this control, to ensure the justified level of security of supply for both parties. Any such solution including joint study work and timelines would be agreed between The Company and the relevant Network Operator as reasonable, efficient and proportionate.
- In accordance with ECC.6.4.5.3, the relevant **Network Operator** may require **The Company** to consider its **Network Operator's System** for **Reactive Power** management. Any such requirement would need to be agreed between **The Company** and the relevant **Network Operator** and justified by **The Company**.
- ECC.6.4.6 System Restoration
- ECC.6.4.6.1 Distribution Restoration Zone Plans are dependent upon Restoration Contractors who, have an Anchor Restoration Contract which requires the capability to Start-Up from Shutdown within 8 hours and to energise a part of a Network Operator's System (and in some cases could extend to energisation of parts of the Transmission System) upon instruction from a relevant Network Operator, without an external electrical power supply. Distribution Restoration Zone Plans may also be dependent upon Top Up Restoration Contractors. Network Operators shall be responsible for instructing Restoration Contractors in accordance with a Distribution Restoration Zone Plan once The Company has issued an instruction to the Network Operator to activate a Distribution Restoration Zone as provided for in OC9.4.7.8.1.
- ECC.6.4.6.2. Where a need for a **Distribution Restoration Zone** is agreed in accordance with OC9, the following requirements shall apply:-
  - (a) Where there is a requirement for two adjacent Distribution Restoration Zones to be Synchronised as part of the wider System Restoration process and as catered for in the relevant Distribution Restoration Zone Plans, appropriate Synchronising facilities shall exist or shall be installed by the Network Operator or Relevant Transmission Licensee as set out in OC9.4.7.6.3(d). Such Synchronising facilities shall be identified as part of the development of the Restoration Plan as set out in OC9.4.7.6.1. Where a Distribution Restoration Zone extends to Transmission Plant and Apparatus as provided for in OC9.4.7.8.15, the responsibility for the provision of these facilities on Transmission equipment is the responsibility of the Relevant Transmission Licensee.

- (b) The Company and the Network Operator and Relevant Transmission Licensee (where necessary) shall agree the monitoring and operational metering which shall be installed in the Network Operator's System, including but not limited to, operational metering signals, status indications and the topology of the Network Operator's System falling within the scope of the Local Joint Restoration Plan or Distribution Restoration Zone Plan, and the output and status of Restoration Contractor's Plant and Apparatus. Where appropriate, some of this information may be supplied as outputs from the Distribution Restoration Zone Control System within the Distribution Restoration Zone where one is installed. This data shall be provided to The Company and Relevant Transmission Licensee (where necessary) through appropriate data links as agreed between The Company and the Network Operator.
- (c) **Network Operators** shall have secure, robust and power resilient communications systems between their **Control Centres** and the point at which **Restoration Contractor's Plant** and **Apparatus** is connected to the **Network Operator's System** as provided for in ECC.7.10 and ECC.7.11.

# ECC.6.5 Communications Plant

- In order to ensure control of the **National Electricity Transmission System**, telecommunications between **Users** and **The Company** must (including in respect of any **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** at the **OTSUA Transfer Time**), if required by **The Company**, be established in accordance with the requirements set down below.
- ECC.6.5.2 Control Telephony and System Telephony
- ECC.6.5.2.1 **Control Telephony** provides secure point to point telephony for routine **Control Calls**, priority **Control Calls** and emergency **Control Calls**.
- ECC.6.5.2.2 **System Telephony** uses an appropriate public communications network to provide telephony for **Control Calls**, inclusive of emergency **Control Calls**. For the avoidance of doubt, **System Telephony** could include but shall not be limited to: an analogue or digital telephone line; a mobile telephone or an internet-based voice communication system, all of which would be connected to an appropriate public communications network.
- ECC.6.5.2.3 Calls made and received over **Control Telephony** and **System Telephony** may be recorded and subsequently replayed for commercial and operational reasons.
- ECC.6.5.3 Not Used
- ECC.6.5.4 Obligations in respect of Control Telephony and System Telephony
- Where The Company requires Control Telephony, Users are required to use the Control Telephony to communicate with The Company and / or the Transmission Licensees' in respect of all Connection Points with the National Electricity Transmission System, all Embedded Large Power Stations, Embedded HVDC Systems and Network Operator's Control Centres as appropriate. The Company shall provide Control Telephony interface equipment at the User's Control Point or the Network Operators Control Centre as appropriate. Where the EU Code User's or Network Operators Control Centre telephony equipment is not capable of providing the required facilities or is otherwise incompatible with the Transmission Control Telephony, The Company shall provide a Control Telephony handset(s). Details of and relating to the Control Telephony requirements are contained in the Bilateral Agreement with EU Code User's.
- Where in **The Company's** sole opinion the installation of **Control Telephony** is not practicable at a **User's Control Point(s)**, **The Company** shall specify in the **Bilateral Agreement** whether **System Telephony** is required. Where **System Telephony** is required by **The Company**, the **User** shall ensure that **System Telephony** is installed.

- Where **System Telephony** is installed, **EU Code Users** are required to use the **System Telephony** for communication with **The Company** and the relevant **Transmission Licensees' Control Engineers** in respect of those **Control Point(s)** for which it has been installed. Details of and relating to the **System Telephony** required are contained in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- Where **Control Telephony** or **System Telephony** is installed, routine testing of such facilities may be required by **The Company** (not normally more than once in any calendar month). The **User** and **The Company** shall use reasonable endeavours to agree a test programme and where **The Company** requests the assistance of the **User** in performing the agreed test programme the **User** shall provide such assistance. **The Company** requires the **EU Code User** to test the backup power supplies feeding its **Control Telephony** facilities at least once every 5 years.
- ECC.6.5.4.5 **Control Telephony** and **System Telephony** shall only be used for the purposes of operational voice communication between **The Company** and the relevant **User**.
- Control Telephony contains emergency calling functionality to be used for operational communication only under normal and emergency conditions. Functionality enables The Company and Users to utilise a priority call in the event of an emergency. The Company and EU Code Users shall only use such priority call functionality for urgent operational communications.
- ECC.6.5.5 <u>Technical Requirements for Control Telephony and System Telephony</u>
- ECC.6.5.5.1 Detailed information on the technical interfaces and support requirements for **Control Telephony** is provided in the **Control Telephony Electrical Standard** identified in the Annex to the **General Conditions**. Where additional information, or information in relation to **Control Telephony** applicable in Scotland, is requested by **Users**, this will be provided, where possible, by **The Company**.
- System Telephony shall consist of a dedicated telephone connected to an appropriate public communications network that shall be configured by the relevant User. The Company shall provide a dedicated free phone number (UK only), for the purposes of receiving incoming calls to The Company, which Users shall utilise for System Telephony. System Telephony shall only be utilised by The Company's Control Engineer and the User's Responsible Engineer/Operator for the purposes of operational communications.
- ECC.6.5.6 Operational Metering
- ECC.6.5.6.1 It is an essential requirement for **The Company** and **Network Operators** to have visibility of the real time output and status of indications of **User's Plant and Apparatus** so they can control the operation of the **System**.
- Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Modules, HVDC Equipment, Network Operators and Non Embedded Customers are required to be capable of exchanging operational metering data with The Company and Relevant Transmission Licensees (as applicable) with time stamping. Time stamping would generally be to a sampling rate of 1 second or better unless otherwise specified by The Company in the Bilateral Agreement.
- The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall specify in the Bilateral Agreement the operational metering signals to be provided by the EU Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer. In the case of Network Operators and Non-Embedded Customers, detailed specifications relating to the operational metering standards at EU Grid Supply Points and the data required are published as Electrical Standards in the Annex to the General Conditions.

- (a) The Company or The Relevant Transmission Licensee, as applicable, shall provide system control and data acquisition (SCADA) outstation interface equipment. Each EU Code User shall provide such voltage, current, Frequency, Active Power and Reactive Power measurement outputs and plant status indications and alarms to the Transmission SCADA outstation interface equipment as required by The Company in accordance with the terms of the Bilateral Agreement. In the case of OTSDUW, the User shall provide such SCADA outstation interface equipment and voltage, current, Frequency, Active Power and Reactive Power measurement outputs and plant status indications and alarms to the SCADA outstation interface equipment as required by The Company in accordance with the terms of the Bilateral Agreement.
  - (b) For the avoidance of doubt, for **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** measurements, circuit breaker and disconnector status indications from:
    - (i) CCGT Modules from Type B, Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules, the outputs and status indications must each be provided to The Company on an individual CCGT Unit basis. In addition, where identified in the Bilateral Agreement, Active Power and Reactive Power measurements from Unit Transformers and/or Station Transformers must be provided.
    - (ii) For Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Modules the outputs and status indications must each be provided to The Company on an individual Power Park Module basis. In addition, where identified in the Bilateral Agreement, Active Power and Reactive Power measurements from station transformers must be provided.
    - (iii) In respect of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, the outputs and status indications must be provided to The Company for each piece of electrical equipment. In addition, where identified in the Bilateral Agreement, Active Power and Reactive Power measurements at the Interface Point must be provided.
  - (c) For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements of ECC.6.5.6.4(a) in the case of a Cascade Hydro Scheme will be provided for each Generating Unit forming part of that Cascade Hydro Scheme. In the case of Embedded Generating Units forming part of a Cascade Hydro Scheme the data may be provided by means other than the SCADA outstation located at the Power Station, such as, with the agreement of the Network Operator in whose system such Embedded Generating Unit is located, from the Network Operator's SCADA system to The Company. Details of such arrangements will be contained in the relevant Bilateral Agreements between The Company and the Generator and the Network Operator.
  - (d) In the case of a Power Park Module, additional energy input signals (e.g. wind speed, and wind direction) may be specified in the Bilateral Agreement. A Power Available signal will also be specified in the Bilateral Agreement. The signals would be used to establish the potential level of energy input from the Intermittent Power Source for monitoring pursuant to ECC.6.6.1 and Ancillary Services and will, in the case of a wind farm, be used to provide The Company with advanced warning of excess wind speed shutdown and to determine the level of Headroom available from Power Park Modules for the purposes of calculating response and reserve. For the avoidance of doubt, the Power Available signal would be automatically provided to The Company and represent the sum of the potential output of all available and operational Power Park Units within the Power Park Module. The refresh rate of the Power Available signal shall be specified in the Bilateral Agreement. In the case of an Electricity Storage Module, the requirement to provide a Power Available Signal when the Plant is in both an importing and exporting mode of operation would be specified in the Bilateral Agreement.
  - (e) In the case of an **Electricity Storage Module**, additional input signals (e.g. state of energy (MWhr, and system availability) may be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**. A **Power Available** signal will also be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.5.6.4(d).

- ECC.6.5.6.5 In addition to the requirements of the **Balancing Codes**, each **HVDC Converter** unit of an **HVDC system** shall be equipped with an automatic controller capable of receiving instructions from **The Company**. This automatic controller shall be capable of operating the **HVDC Converter** units of the **HVDC System** in a coordinated way. **The Company** shall specify the automatic controller hierarchy per **HVDC Converter** unit.
- ECC.6.5.6.6 The automatic controller of the **HVDC System** referred to in paragraph ECC.6.5.6.5 shall be capable of sending the following signal types to **The Company** (where applicable):
  - (a) operational metering signals, providing at least the following:
    - (i) start-up signals;
    - (ii) AC and DC voltage measurements;
    - (iii) AC and DC current measurements;
    - (iv) Active and Reactive Power measurements on the AC side;
    - (v) DC power measurements;
    - (vi) HVDC Converter unit level operation in a multi-pole type HVDC Converter;
    - (vii) elements and topology status; and
    - (viii) Frequency Sensitive Mode, Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode Overfrequency and Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode Underfrequency Active Power ranges (where applicable).
  - (b) alarm signals, providing at least the following:
    - (i) emergency blocking;
    - (ii) ramp blocking;
    - (iii) fast Active Power reversal (where applicable)
- ECC.6.5.6.7 The automatic controller referred to in ECC.6.5.6.5 shall be capable of receiving the following signal types from **The Company** (where applicable):
  - (a) operational metering signals, receiving at least the following:
    - (i) start-up command;
    - (ii) Active Power setpoints;
    - (iii) Frequency Sensitive Mode settings;
    - (iv) Reactive Power, voltage or similar setpoints;
      - (v) Reactive Power control modes;
      - (vi) power oscillation damping control; and
  - (b) alarm signals, receiving at least the following:
    - (i) emergency blocking command;
    - (ii) ramp blocking command;
    - (iii) Active Power flow direction; and
    - (iv)) fast Active Power reversal command.
  - ECC.6.5.6.8 With regards to operational metering signals, the resolution and refresh rate required would be 1 second or better unless otherwise agreed with **The Company**

ECC.6.5.6.9 In addition to the above requirements, **Restoration Contractors** shall be capable of providing the operational metering requirements specified in the **Anchor Restoration Contract** or **Top Up Restoration Contract** during **System Restoration**. In particular for renewable generation, the volume of primary energy such as wind speed and in the case of storage, storage capacity shall be provided.

#### Instructor Facilities

ECC.6.5.7 The **EU Code User** shall accommodate **Instructor Facilities** provided by **The Company** for the receipt of operational messages relating to **System** conditions.

#### **Electronic Data Communication Facilities**

- ECC.6.5.8 (a) All **BM Participants** must ensure that appropriate electronic data communication facilities are in place to permit the submission of data, as required by the **Grid Code**, to **The Company**.
  - (b) In addition,
    - (1) any **User** that wishes to participate in the **Balancing Mechanism**;

or

(2) any BM Participant in respect of its BM Units at a Power Station and the BM Participant is required to provide all Part 1 System Ancillary Services in accordance with ECC.8.1 (unless The Company has otherwise agreed)

must ensure that appropriate automatic logging devices are installed at the **Control Points** of its **BM Units** to submit data to and to receive instructions from **The Company**, as required by the **Grid Code**. For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of an **Interconnector User** the **Control Point** will be at the **Control Centre** of the appropriate **Externally Interconnected System Operator**.

(c) Detailed specifications of these required electronic facilities will be provided by The Company on request and they are listed as Electrical Standards in the Annex to the General Conditions.

# Facsimile Machines and Electronic Communication Platform

- ECC.6.5.9 Each **User** and **The Company** shall provide a facsimile machine or machines:
  - (a) in the case of **Generators**, at the **Control Point** of each **Power Station** and at its **Trading Point**;
  - (b) in the case of The Company and Network Operators, at the Control Centre(s); and
  - (c) in the case of **Non-Embedded Customers** and **HVDC Equipment** owners at the **Control Point**.

Each **User** shall notify, prior to connection to the **System** of the **User's Plant** and **Apparatus**, **The Company** of its or their telephone number or numbers, and will notify **The Company** of any changes. Prior to connection to the **System** of the **User's Plant** and **Apparatus The Company** shall notify each **User** of the telephone number or numbers of its facsimile machine or machines and will notify any changes.

#### **Electronic Communication Platform**

On a date agreed between **The Company** and an **EU Code User**, **The Company** shall provide an **Electronic Communication Platform** accessible to that **EU Code User** and that **EU Code User** shall provide access facilities at the following locations:

- (a) in the case of **EU Generators**, at the **Control Point** of each **Power Station** and at their **Trading Point(s)**;
- (b) in the case of **Network Operators**, at their **Control Centre(s)**; and

(c) in the case of **Non-Embedded Customers** and **DC Converter Station** owners at their **Control Point(s)**.

The **EU Code User** shall ensure the facilities required to access the **Electronic Communication Platform** are maintained at all times.

# ECC.6.5.10 Busbar Voltage

The Relevant Transmission Licensee shall, subject as provided below, provide each Generator or HVDC System Owner at each Grid Entry Point where one of its Power Stations or HVDC Systems is connected with appropriate voltage signals to enable the Generator or HVDC System owner to obtain the necessary information to permit its Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules) or HVDC System to be Synchronised to the National Electricity Transmission System. The term "voltage signal" shall mean in this context, a point of connection on (or wire or wires from) a relevant part of Transmission Plant and/or Apparatus at the Grid Entry Point, to which the Generator or HVDC System Owner, with The Company's agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld) in relation to the Plant and/or Apparatus to be attached, will be able to attach its Plant and/or Apparatus (normally a wire or wires) in order to obtain measurement outputs in relation to the busbar.

## ECC.6.5.11 Bilingual Message Facilities

- (a) A Bilingual Message Facility is the method by which the User's Responsible Engineer/Operator, the Externally Interconnected System Operator and The Company's Control Engineers communicate clear and unambiguous information in two languages for the purposes of control of the Total System in both normal and emergency operating conditions.
- (b) A Bilingual Message Facility, where required, will provide up to two hundred pre-defined messages with up to five hundred and sixty characters each. A maximum of one minute is allowed for the transmission to, and display of, the selected message at any destination. The standard messages must be capable of being displayed at any combination of locations and can originate from any of these locations. Messages displayed in the UK will be displayed in the English language.
- (c) Detailed information on a Bilingual Message Facility and suitable equipment required for individual **User** applications will be provided by **The Company** upon request.

## ECC.6.6 Monitoring

#### ECC.6.6.1 System Monitoring

ECC.6.6.1.1 Each Type C and Type D Power Generating Module including DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be equipped with a facility to provide fault recording and monitoring of dynamic system behaviour. These requirements are necessary to record conditions during System faults and detect poorly damped power oscillations. This facility shall record the following parameters:

- voltage,
- Active Power,
- Reactive Power, and
- Frequency.
- ECC.6.6.1.2 Detailed specifications for fault recording and dynamic system monitoring equipment including triggering criteria and sample rates are listed as **Electrical Standards** in the **Annex** to the **General Conditions**. For Dynamic System Monitoring, the specification for the communication protocol and recorded data shall also be included in the **Electrical Standard**.

- The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall specify any requirements for Power Quality Monitoring in the Bilateral Agreement. The power quality parameters to be monitored, the communication protocols for the recorded data and the time frames for compliance shall be agreed between The Company, the Relevant Transmission Licensee and EU Generator.
- ECC.6.6.1.4 **HVDC Systems** shall be equipped with a facility to provide fault recording and dynamic system behaviour monitoring of the following parameters for each of its **HVDC Converter Stations**:
  - (a) AC and DC voltage;
  - (b) AC and DC current;
  - (c) Active Power;
  - (d) Reactive Power; and
  - (e) Frequency.
- The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee may specify quality of supply parameters to be complied with by the HVDC System, provided a reasonable prior notice is given.
- ECC.6.6.1.6 The particulars of the fault recording equipment referred to in ECC.6.6.1.4, including analogue and digital channels, the settings, including triggering criteria and the sampling rates, shall be agreed between the HVDC System Owner and The Company in coordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee.
- ECC.6.6.1.7 All dynamic system behaviour monitoring equipment shall include an oscillation trigger, specified by **The Company**, in coordination with the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**, with the purpose of detecting poorly damped power oscillations.
- ECC.6.6.1.8 The facilities for quality of supply and dynamic system behaviour monitoring shall include arrangements for the HVDC System Owner and The Company and/or Relevant Transmission Licensee to access the information electronically. The communications protocols for recorded data shall be agreed between the HVDC System Owner, The Company and the Relevant Transmission Licensee.
- ECC.6.6.1.9 In order to accurately monitor the performance of a **Grid Forming Plant**, each **Grid Forming Plant**, each **Grid Forming Plant** shall be equipped with a facility to accurately record the following parameters at a rate of 10ms: -
  - System Frequency using a nominated algorithm as defined by The Company
  - The **ROCOF** rate using a nominated algorithm as defined by **The Company** based on a 500ms rolling average
  - A technique for recording the Grid Phase Jump Angle by using either a nominated algorithm as defined by The Company or an algorithm that records the time period of each half cycle with a time resolution of 10 microseconds. For a 50Hz System, a 1 degree phase jump is a time period change of 55.6 microseconds.
- ECC.6.6.1.10 Detailed specifications for **Grid Forming Capability Plant** dynamic performance including triggering criteria, sample rates, the communication protocol and recorded data shall be specified by **The Company** in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECC.6.6.2 <u>Frequency Response Monitoring</u>
- ECC.6.6.2.1 Each Type C and Type D Power Generating Module including DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be fitted with equipment capable of monitoring the real time Active Power output of a Power Generating Module when operating in Frequency Sensitive Mode.
- ECC.6.6.2.2

Detailed specifications of the **Active Power Frequency** response requirements including the communication requirements are listed as **Electrical Standards** in the **Annex** to the **General Conditions**.

- ECC.6.6.2.3 The Company in co-ordination with the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall specify additional signals to be provided by the EU Generator by monitoring and recording devices in order to verify the performance of the Active Power Frequency response provision of participating Power Generating Modules.
- ECC.6.6.3 Compliance Monitoring
- ECC.6.6.3.1 For all on site monitoring by **The Company** of witnessed tests pursuant to the **CP** or **OC5** or **ECP** the **User** shall provide suitable test signals as outlined in either OC5.A.1or ECP.A.4 (as applicable).
- ECC.6.6.3.2 The signals which shall be provided by the **User** to **The Company** for onsite monitoring shall be of the following resolution, unless otherwise agreed by **The Company**:
  - (i) 1 Hz for reactive range tests
  - (ii) 10 Hz for frequency control tests
  - (iii) 100 Hz for voltage control tests
  - (iv) 1 kHz for Grid Forming Plant signals including fast fault current measurements
  - (v) 100Hz for the other **Grid Forming Plant** tests carried out in accordance with ECC.6.6.1.9
- ECC.6.6.3.3 The **User** will provide all relevant signals for this purpose in the form of d.c. voltages within the range -10V to +10V. In exceptional circumstances some signals may be accepted as d.c. voltages within the range -60V to +60V with prior agreement between the **User** and **The Company**. All signals shall:
  - (i) in the case of an Onshore Power Generating Module or Onshore HVDC Convertor Station, be suitably terminated in a single accessible location at the Generator or HVDC Converter Station owner's site.
  - (ii) in the case of an Offshore Power Generating Module and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, be transmitted onshore without attenuation, delay or filtering which would result in the inability to fully demonstrate the objectives of the test, or identify any potential safety or plant instability issues, and be suitably terminated in a single robust location normally located at or near the onshore Interface Point of the Offshore Transmission System to which it is connected.
- All signals shall be suitably scaled across the range. The following scaling would (unless **The Company** notify the **User** otherwise) be acceptable to **The Company**:
  - (a) 0MW to Maximum Capacity or Interface Point Capacity 0-8V dc
  - (b) Maximum leading Reactive Power to maximum lagging Reactive Power -8 to 8V dc
  - (c) 48 52Hz as -8 to 8V dc
  - (d) Nominal terminal or connection point voltage -10% to +10% as -8 to 8V dc
- ECC.6.6.3.5 The **User** shall provide to **The Company** a 230V power supply adjacent to the signal terminal location.
- ECC.7 SITE RELATED CONDITIONS
- ECC.7.1 Not used.
- ECC.7.2 Responsibilities For Safety
- Any User entering and working on its Plant and/or Apparatus (including, until the OTSUA Transfer Time, any OTSUA) on a Transmission Site will work to the Safety Rules of the Relevant Transmission Licensee, as advised by The Company.

- For User Sites, The Company shall procure that the Relevant Transmission Licensee entering and working on Transmission Plant and/or Apparatus on a User Site will work to the User's Safety Rules.
- A User may, with a minimum of six weeks notice, apply to The Company for permission to work according to that Users own Safety Rules when working on its Plant and/or Apparatus on a Transmission Site rather than those set out in ECC.7.2.1. If The Company is of the opinion that the User's Safety Rules provide for a level of safety commensurate with those set out in ECC.7.2.1, The Company will notify the User, in writing, that, with effect from the date requested by the User, the User may use its own Safety Rules when working on its Plant and/or Apparatus on the Transmission Site. For a Transmission Site, in forming its opinion, The Company will seek the opinion of the Relevant Transmission Licensee. Until receipt of such written approval from The Company, the User will continue to use the Safety Rules as set out in ECC.7.2.1.
- In the case of a User Site, The Company may, with a minimum of six weeks notice, apply to a User for permission for the Relevant Transmission Licensee to work according to the Relevant Transmission Licensee's Safety Rules when working on Transmission Plant and/or Apparatus on that User Site, rather than the User's Safety Rules. If the User is of the opinion that the Relevant Transmission Licensee's Safety Rules, provide for a level of safety commensurate with that of that User's Safety Rules, it will notify The Company, in writing, that, with effect from the date requested by The Company, that the Relevant Transmission Licensee may use its own Safety Rules when working on its Transmission Plant and/or Apparatus on that User's Site. Until receipt of such written approval from the User, The Company shall procure that the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall continue to use the User's Safety Rules.
- For a Transmission Site, if The Company gives its approval for the User's Safety Rules to apply to the User when working on its Plant and/or Apparatus, that does not imply that the User's Safety Rules will apply to entering the Transmission Site and access to the User's Plant and/or Apparatus on that Transmission Site. Bearing in mind the Relevant Transmission Licensee's responsibility for the whole Transmission Site, entry and access will always be in accordance with the Relevant Transmission Licensee's site access procedures. For a User Site, if the User gives its approval for Relevant Transmission Licensee When working on its Plant and Apparatus, that does not imply that the Relevant Transmission Licensee's Safety Rules will apply to entering the User Site, and access to the Transmission Plant and Apparatus on that User Site. Bearing in mind the User's responsibility for the whole User Site, entry and access will always be in accordance with the User's site access procedures.
- For User Sites, Users shall notify The Company of any Safety Rules that apply to the Relevant Transmission Licensee's staff working on User Sites. The Company shall procure that the Relevant Transmission Licensee shall notify Users of any Safety Rules that apply to the User's staff working on the Transmission Site.
- ECC.7.2.7 Each **Site Responsibility Schedule** must have recorded on it the **Safety Rules** which apply to each item of **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**.
- In the case of **OTSUA** a **User Site** or **Transmission Site** shall, for the purposes of this ECC.7.2, include a site at which there is an **Interface Point** until the **OTSUA Transfer Time** when it becomes part of the **National Electricity Transmission System**.
- ECC.7.3 <u>Site Responsibility Schedules</u>
- In order to inform site operational staff and The Company's Control Engineers of agreed responsibilities for Plant and/or Apparatus at the operational interface, a Site Responsibility Schedule shall be produced for Connection Sites (and in the case of OTSUA, until the OTSUA Transfer Time, Interface Sites) for The Company, the Relevant Transmission Licensee and Users with whom they interface.
- ECC.7.3.2 The format, principles and basic procedure to be used in the preparation of **Site Responsibility Schedules** are set down in Appendix 1.

#### **Operation Diagrams**

- An **Operation Diagram** shall be prepared for each **Connection Site** at which a **Connection Point** exists (and in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, by **User's** for each **Interface Point**) using, where appropriate, the graphical symbols shown in Part 1A of Appendix 2. **Users** should also note that the provisions of **OC11** apply in certain circumstances.
- The Operation Diagram shall include all HV Apparatus and the connections to all external circuits and incorporate numbering, nomenclature and labelling, as set out in OC11. At those Connection Sites (or in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, Interface Points) where gas-insulated metal enclosed switchgear and/or other gas-insulated HV Apparatus is installed, those items must be depicted within an area delineated by a chain dotted line which intersects gas-zone boundaries. The nomenclature used shall conform with that used on the relevant Connection Site and circuit (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, Interface Point and circuit). The Operation Diagram (and the list of technical details) is intended to provide an accurate record of the layout and circuit interconnections, ratings and numbering and nomenclature of HV Apparatus and related Plant.
- A non-exhaustive guide to the types of **HV Apparatus** to be shown in the **Operation Diagram** is shown in Part 2 of Appendix 2, together with certain basic principles to be followed unless equivalent principles are approved by **The Company**.

#### Gas Zone Diagrams

- A Gas Zone Diagram shall be prepared for each Connection Site at which a Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, by User's for an Interface Point) exists where gas-insulated switchgear and/or other gas-insulated HV Apparatus is utilised. They shall use, where appropriate, the graphical symbols shown in Part 1B of Appendix 2.
- The nomenclature used shall conform with that used in the relevant **Connection Site** and circuit (and in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**, relevant **Interface Point** and circuit).
- ECC.7.4.6 The basic principles set out in Part 2 of Appendix 2 shall be followed in the preparation of **Gas Zone Diagrams** unless equivalent principles are approved by **The Company**.

<u>Preparation of Operation and Gas Zone Diagrams for Users' Sites and Transmission Interface Sites</u>

- In the case of a User Site, the User shall prepare and submit to The Company, an Operation Diagram for all HV Apparatus on the User side of the Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, on what will be the Offshore Transmission side of the Connection Point and the Interface Point) and The Company shall provide the User with an Operation Diagram for all HV Apparatus on the Transmission side of the Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus on what will be the Onshore Transmission side of the Interface Point, in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement prior to the Completion Date under the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.
- The User will then prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted on the User's Operation Diagram and The Company's Operation Diagram, a composite Operation Diagram for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, Interface Point), also in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.
- ECC.7.4.9 The provisions of ECC.7.4.7 and ECC.7.4.8 shall apply in relation to **Gas Zone Diagrams** where gas-insulated switchgear and/or other gas-insulated **HV Apparatus** is utilised.

#### Preparation of Operation and Gas Zone Diagrams for Transmission Sites

In the case of an **Transmission Site**, the **User** shall prepare and submit to **The Company** an **Operation Diagram** for all **HV Apparatus** on the **User** side of the **Connection Point**, in accordance with the timing requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**.

- The Company will then prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted on the User's Operation Diagram, a composite Operation Diagram for the complete Connection Site, also in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.
- ECC.7.4.12 The provisions of ECC.7.4.10 and ECC.7.4.11 shall apply in relation to **Gas Zone Diagrams** where gas-insulated switchgear and/or other gas-insulated **HV Apparatus** is utilised.
- ECC.7.4.13 Changes to Operation and Gas Zone Diagrams
- ECC.7.4.13.1 When **The Company** has decided that it wishes to install new **HV Apparatus** or it wishes to change the existing numbering or nomenclature of **Transmission HV Apparatus** at a **Transmission Site**, **The Company** will (unless it gives rise to a **Modification** under the **CUSC**, in which case the provisions of the **CUSC** as to the timing apply) one month prior to the installation or change, send to each such **User** a revised **Operation Diagram** of that **Transmission Site**, incorporating the new **Transmission HV Apparatus** to be installed and its numbering and nomenclature or the changes, as the case may be. **OC11** is also relevant to certain **Apparatus**.
- When a **User** has decided that it wishes to install new **HV Apparatus**, or it wishes to change the existing numbering or nomenclature of its **HV Apparatus** at its **User Site**, the **User** will (unless it gives rise to a **Modification** under the **CUSC**, in which case the provisions of the **CUSC** as to the timing apply) one month prior to the installation or change, send to **The Company** a revised **Operation Diagram** of that **User Site** incorporating the **EU Code User HV Apparatus** to be installed and its numbering and nomenclature or the changes as the case may be. **OC11** is also relevant to certain **Apparatus**.
- ECC.7.4.13.3 The provisions of ECC.7.4.13.1 and ECC.7.4.13.2 shall apply in relation to **Gas Zone Diagrams** where gas-insulated switchgear and/or other gas-insulated **HV Apparatus** is installed.

# **Validity**

- ECC.7.4.14 (a) The composite **Operation Diagram** prepared by **The Company** or the **User**, as the case may be, will be the definitive **Operation Diagram** for all operational and planning activities associated with the **Connection Site**. If a dispute arises as to the accuracy of the composite **Operation Diagram**, a meeting shall be held at the **Connection Site**, as soon as reasonably practicable, between **The Company** and the **User**, to endeavour to resolve the matters in dispute.
  - (b) The composite Operation Diagram prepared by The Company or the User, as the case may be, will be the definitive Operation Diagram for all operational and planning activities associated with the Interface Point until the OTSUA Transfer Time. If a dispute arises as to the accuracy of the composite Operation Diagram prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time, a meeting shall be held at the Interface Point, as soon as reasonably practicable, between The Company and the User, to endeavour to resolve the matters in dispute.
  - (c) An equivalent rule shall apply for **Gas Zone Diagrams** where they exist for a **Connection Site**.
- In the case of OTSUA, a User Site and Transmission Site shall, for the purposes of this ECC.7.4, include a site at which there is an Interface Point until the OTSUA Transfer Time when it becomes part of the National Electricity Transmission System and references to HV Apparatus in this ECC.7.4 shall include references to HV OTSUA.
- ECC.7.5 <u>Site Common Drawings</u>
- ECC.7.5.1 Site Common Drawings will be prepared for each Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, each Interface Point) and will include Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point) layout drawings, electrical layout drawings, common Protection/control drawings and common services drawings.

Preparation of Site Common Drawings for a User Site and Transmission Interface Site

- In the case of a User Site, The Company shall prepare and submit to the User, Site Common Drawings for the Transmission side of the Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, on what will be the Onshore Transmission side of the Interface Point,) and the User shall prepare and submit to The Company, Site Common Drawings for the User side of the Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW, on what will be the Offshore Transmission side of the Interface Point) in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.
- The User will then prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted on the Transmission Site Common Drawings, Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point) in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.

Preparation of Site Common Drawings for a Transmission Site

- In the case of a **Transmission Site**, the **User** will prepare and submit to **The Company Site Common Drawings** for the **User** side of the **Connection Point** in accordance with the timing requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or **Construction Agreement**.
- The Company will then prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted in the User's Site Common Drawings, Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement.
- When a **User** becomes aware that it is necessary to change any aspect of the **Site Common Drawings** at a **Connection Site** (and in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Interface Point**) it will:
  - (a) if it is a User Site, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare, produce and distribute revised Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point); and
  - (b) if it is a Transmission Site, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare and submit to The Company revised Site Common Drawings for the User side of the Connection Point (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point) and The Company will then, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted in the User's Site Common Drawings, revised Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point).

In either case, if in the **User's** reasonable opinion the change can be dealt with by it notifying **The Company** in writing of the change and for each party to amend its copy of the **Site Common Drawings** (or where there is only one set, for the party holding that set to amend it), then it shall so notify and each party shall so amend. If the change gives rise to a **Modification** under the **CUSC**, the provisions of the **CUSC** as to timing will apply.

- When **The Company** becomes aware that it is necessary to change any aspect of the **Site Common Drawings** at a **Connection Site**(and in the case of **OTSDUW**, **Interface Point**) it will:
  - (a) if it is a Transmission Site, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare, produce and distribute revised Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point); and
  - (b) if it is a User Site, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare and submit to the User revised Site Common Drawings for the Transmission side of the Connection Point (in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point) and the User will then, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare, produce and distribute, using the information submitted in the Transmission Site Common Drawings, revised Site Common Drawings for the complete Connection Site (and in the case of OTSDUW, Interface Point).

In either case, if in **The Company's** reasonable opinion the change can be dealt with by it notifying the **User** in writing of the change and for each party to amend its copy of the **Site Common Drawings** (or where there is only one set, for the party holding that set to amend it), then it shall so notify and each party shall so amend. If the change gives rise to a **Modification** under the **CUSC**, the provisions of the **CUSC** as to timing will apply.

#### Validity

(a) The **Site Common Drawings** for the complete **Connection Site** prepared by the **User** or **The Company**, as the case may be, will be the definitive **Site Common Drawings** for all operational and planning activities associated with the **Connection Site**. If a dispute arises as to the accuracy of the **Site Common Drawings**, a meeting shall be held at the **Site**, as soon as reasonably practicable, between **The Company** and the **User**, to

endeavour to resolve the matters in dispute.

- (b) The Site Common Drawing prepared by The Company or the User, as the case may be, will be the definitive Site Common Drawing for all operational and planning activities associated with the Interface Point until the OTSUA Transfer Time. If a dispute arises as to the accuracy of the composite Operation Diagram prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time, a meeting shall be held at the Interface Point, as soon as reasonably practicable, between The Company and the User, to endeavour to resolve the matters in dispute.
- ECC.7.5.9 In the case of **OTSUA**, a **User Site** and **Transmission Site** shall, for the purposes of this ECC.7.5, include a site at which there is an **Interface Point** until the **OTSUA Transfer Time** when it becomes part of the **National Electricity Transmission System**.
- ECC.7.6 Access
- The provisions relating to access to **Transmission Sites** by **Users**, and to **Users' Sites** by **Relevant Transmission Licensees**, are set out in each **Interface Agreement** (or in the case of **Interfaces Sites** prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time** agreements in similar form) with, the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** and each **User**.
- In addition to those provisions, where a **Transmission Site** contains exposed **HV** conductors, unaccompanied access will only be granted to individuals holding an **Authority for Access** issued by the **Relevant Transmission Licensee**.
- ECC.7.6.3 The procedure for applying for an **Authority for Access** is contained in the **Interface Agreement**.
- ECC.7.7 Maintenance Standards
- It is the **User's** responsibility to ensure that all its **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including, until the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, any **OTSUA**) on a **Transmission Site** is tested and maintained adequately for the purpose for which it is intended, and to ensure that it does not pose a threat to the safety of any **Transmission Plant**, **Apparatus** or personnel on the **Transmission Site**. **The Company** will have the right to inspect the test results and maintenance records relating to such **Plant** and **Apparatus** at any time
- For **User Sites**, **The Company** shall procure that the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** has a responsibility to ensure that all **Transmission Plant** and **Apparatus** on a **User Site** is tested and maintained adequately for the purposes for which it is intended and to ensure that it does not pose a threat to the safety of any **User's Plant**, **Apparatus** or personnel on the **User Site**.

The **User** will have the right to inspect the test results and maintenance records relating to such **Plant** and **Apparatus** on its **User Site** at any time.

- ECC.7.8 Site Operational Procedures
- Where there is an interface with National Electricity Transmission System The Company and Users must make available staff to take necessary Safety Precautions and carry out operational duties as may be required to enable work/testing to be carried out and for the operation of Plant and Apparatus (including, prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time, any OTSUA) connected to the Total System.
- ECC.7.9 Generators, HVDC System owners and BM Participants (including Virtual Lead Parties) shall provide a Control Point.

- a) In the case of EU Generators and HVDC System owners, for each Power Station or HVDC System directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System and for each Embedded Large Power Station or Embedded HVDC System, the Control Point shall receive and act upon instructions pursuant to OC7 and BC2 at all times that Power Generating Modules at the Power Station are generating or available to generate or HVDC Systems are importing or exporting or available to do so. In the case of all BM Participants, the Control Point shall be continuously staffed except where the Bilateral Agreement specifies that compliance with BC2 is not required, in which case the Control Point shall be staffed between the hours of 0800 and 1800 each day.
- b) In the case of BM Participants, the BM Participant's Control Point shall be capable of receiving and acting upon instructions from The Company and the relevant Transmission Licensees' Control Engineers.

**The Company** will normally issue instructions via automatic logging devices in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.5.8(b).

Where the **BM Participant**'s **Plant** and **Apparatus** does not respond to an instruction from **The Company** via automatic logging devices, or where it is not possible for **The Company** to issue the instruction via automatic logging devices, **The Company** shall issue the instruction by telephone.

In the case of **BM Participants** who own and/or operate a **Power Station** or **HVDC System** with an aggregated **Registered Capacity** or **BM Participants** with **BM Units** with an aggregated **Demand Capacity** per **Control Point** of less than 50MW, or, where a site is not part of a **Virtual Lead Party** as defined in the **BSC**, a **Registered Capacity** or **Demand Capacity** per site of less than 10MW

- a) where this situation arises, a representative of the BM Participant is required to be available to respond to instructions from The Company via the Control Telephony or System Telephony system, as provided for in ECC.6.5.4, between the hours of 0800-1800 each day.
- b) Outside the hours of 0800-1800 each day, the requirements of BC2.9.7 shall apply.

For the avoidance of doubt, **BM Participants** who are unable to provide **Control Telephony** and do not have a continuously staffed **Control Point** may be unable to act as a **Defence Service Provider** and shall be unable to act as a **Restoration Contractor** where these require **Control Telephony** or a **Control Point** in respect of the specification of any such services falling into these categories.

- ECC.7.10 Obligations on Users in respect of Critical Tools and Facilities
- From 04/09/2024 **The Company**, each **Generator**, **HVDC System Owner**, **Network Operator**, **Non-Embedded Customer** and each **Restoration Contractor** with a continuously staffed **Control Point** or **Control Centre** as provided for in ECC.7.9 shall:-
  - (i) Ensure they have the appropriate Critical Tools and Facilities, necessary to control their assets for System Restoration, from their Control Point or Control Centre, as appropriate, for a minimum period of 72 hours (or such longer period as agreed between the Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator, Non-Embedded Customer and/or Restoration Contractor and The Company) following a Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown.
  - (ii) Ensure as far as reasonably practical that they have adequate control equipment redundancy in place so that in the event of a failure of one or more components of the control system its function is unimpaired.
  - (iii) Report on the results of their management and testing for their **Critical Tools and Facilities** on request from **The Company**.
- From 04/09/2024 each **BM Participant** including a **Virtual Lead Party** with a continuously staffed **Control Point** as provided for in ECC.7.9 (excluding those **BM Participants** covered

by the requirements of ECC.7.10.1), shall:-

- (i) Ensure they have the appropriate Critical Tools and Facilities (as defined in clause (c) of the definition of Critical Tools and Facilities in the Grid Code Glossary and Definitions) for a minimum period of 72 hours (or such longer period as agreed between the BM Participant including a Virtual Lead Party and The Company) following a Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown.
- (ii) Ensure as far as reasonably practical that they have adequate control equipment redundancy in place at their **Control Point** so that in the event of a failure of one or more components of their **Critical Tools and Facilities** its function is unimpaired.
- (iii) Report on the results of their management and testing for their **Critical Tools and Facilities** on request by **The Company**.
- In the case of a BM Participant or Virtual Lead Party which has an Anchor Restoration Contract or Top Up Restoration Contract in respect of one or more of its aggregated Plants, the requirements of ECC.7.10.1 shall only apply between the Control Point of the BM Participant or Virtual Lead Party and that Plant with an Anchor Plant Capability or Top Up Restoration Capability. For other non-contracted Plants under the control of the BM Participant or Virtual Lead Party, the requirements of ECC.7.10.2 shall continue to apply.
- Where a **Network Operator** installs a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System** to facilitate operation of a **Distribution Restoration Zone Plan**, the high level functional requirements of the **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System** shall be in accordance with the guidance provided in the applicable electrical standard listed in the annex to the **General Conditions**.
- ECC.7.10.5 **Network Operators** shall ensure that their substations which are required to be operable during **System Restoration** have 72 hour electrical supply resilience to facilitate **Network Operators** being able to:
  - restore auxiliary supplies to Transmission substations;
  - switch **Demand** in accordance with a **Restoration Plan**;
  - support The Company in satisfying the requirements of the Electricity System Restoration Standard.
- The Company, each EU Code User and Restoration Contractor shall ensure their Critical Tools and Facilities are cyber secure accordance with the Security of Network and Information System (NIS) Regulations. This requirement applies to The Company, EU Code Users and Restoration Contractors at all times.
- ECC.7.10.7 Notwithstanding the requirements of ECC.7.10.1, **The Company**, each **EU Code User** and **Restoration Contractor** shall ensure that their control systems, communications systems, operational metering and telemetry systems including SCADA, are sufficiently robust and reliable such that they are capable of handling, processing and prioritising the significant volumes of data that could reasonably be expected to occur during **System Restoration**.
- Where an Offshore Generator is connected to an Offshore Transmission System and the Offshore Transmission Licensee does not have Critical Tools and Facilities installed on its Offshore Transmission System, The Company will make an allowance for the Critical Tools and Facilities required to be installed by the Offshore Generator.
- ECC.7.11 Obligations on and Assurance from The Company, EU Code Users and Restoration Contractors during Total Shutdown and Partial Shutdown conditions
- In respect of **The Company**, its **Apparatus** shall be designed such that it can safely shutdown and does not pose a risk to personnel or **Apparatus** in the event of a total loss of supply.

- ECC.7.11.2 All EU Code Users and Restoration Contractors shall ensure their Plant and Apparatus can safely shut down and does not pose a risk to Plant and/or personnel in the event of a total loss of supplies at a EU Code User's Site(s) or Restoration Contractor's site be it caused by a Total Shutdown, Partial Shutdown or such other event. In satisfying this requirement, Generators, HVDC System Owners and Restoration Contractors shall be able to demonstrate to The Company that in the event supplies were to be lost to their Site, then on the restoration of supplies, their Plant can be made operational and begin to operate in at least the same way and as quickly as would be expected for a cold start following a Total System Shutdown or Partial System Shutdown in accordance with the data submitted in PC.A.5.7 in accordance with the Week 24 process. For EU Code Users where they believe this requirement is cost prohibitive or technically impossible, such EU Code Users shall discuss the issue with The Company, and The Company shall inform The Authority of the details agreed. Where such an issue cannot be agreed by The Company following all reasonable attempts or where the capability provided by the EU Code User cannot be agreed by The Company as being sufficient after examining all reasonable alternative solutions through the Compliance Processes, the EU Code User may apply for a derogation from the Grid Code.
- The requirements of ECC.7.11.1 and ECC.7.11.2 shall apply for a period of total loss of supplies to **The Company's** operational sites or an **EU Code User's Site** or **Restoration Contractor's** site of up to 72 hours. **EU Code Users** and **Restoration Contractors** shall confirm to **The Company** that the total loss of supplies to their **Site** for a period of up to 72 hours shall not result in damage to **Plant** and **Apparatus** such that it would then be unable to operate upon restoration of electrical supplies to the site.
- ECC.7.11.4 **Network Operators** shall ensure that in coordination with **The Company** and relevant **Transmission Licensees**, they have the capability to switch **Demand** at sufficient speed to support **The Company** in satisfying the requirements of the **Electricity System Restoration Standard**. This requirement assumes:
  - · the successful implementation of Restoration Plans;
  - the successful delivery of the obligations of **Restoration Contractors** who are parties to these plans; and
  - the further requirements of OC9 have been implemented.

#### ECC.8 ANCILLARY SERVICES

## ECC.8.1 <u>System Ancillary Services</u>

The ECC contain requirements for the capability for certain Ancillary Services, which are needed for System reasons ("System Ancillary Services"). There follows a list of these System Ancillary Services, together with the paragraph number of the ECC (or other part of the Grid Code) in which the minimum capability is required or referred to. The list is divided into two categories: Part 1 lists the System Ancillary Services which

- (a) Generators in respect of Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules (including DC Connected Power Park Modules and Electricity Storage Modules) are obliged to provide; and,
- (b) **HVDC System Owners** are obliged to have the capability to supply;
- (c) **Generators** in respect of **Medium Power Stations** (except **Embedded Medium Power Stations**) are obliged to provide in respect of **Reactive Power** only:

and Part 2 lists the **System Ancillary Services** which **Generators** or **Restoration Contractors** will provide only if agreement to provide them is reached with **The Company** or in the case where a **Restoration Contractor** is party to a **Distribution Restoration Zone Plan**, agreement is reached with **The Company** and **Network Operator**:

#### Part 1

- (a) **Reactive Power** supplied (in accordance with ECC.6.3.2)
- (b) **Frequency** Control by means of **Frequency** sensitive generation ECC.6.3.7 and BC3.5.1.

#### Part 2

- (c) Frequency Control by means of Fast Start ECC.6.3.14.
- (d) Anchor Plant Capability or Top Up Restoration Capability ECC.6.3.5.
- (e) System to Generator Operational Intertripping.
- (f) Services provided by Restoration Contractors.

# ECC.8.2 <u>Commercial Ancillary Services</u>

Other Ancillary Services are also utilised by The Company in operating the Total System if these have been agreed to be provided by a User (or other person) under an Ancillary Services Agreement or under a Bilateral Agreement, with payment being dealt with under an Ancillary Services Agreement or in the case of Externally Interconnected System Operators or Interconnector Users, under any other agreement (and in the case of Externally Interconnected System Operators and Interconnector Users includes ancillary services equivalent to or similar to System Ancillary Services) ("Commercial Ancillary Services"). The capability for these Commercial Ancillary Services is set out in the relevant Ancillary Services Agreement or Bilateral Agreement (as the case may be).

#### **APPENDIX E1 - SITE RESPONSIBILITY SCHEDULES**

FORMAT, PRINCIPLES AND BASIC PROCEDURE TO BE USED IN THE PREPARATION OF SITE RESPONSIBILITY SCHEDULES

## ECC.A.1.1 Principles

Types of Schedules

- ECC.A.1.1.1 At all Complexes (which in the context of this ECC shall include, Interface Sites until the OTSUA Transfer Time) the following Site Responsibility Schedules shall be drawn up using the relevant proforma attached or with such variations as may be agreed between The Company and EU Code Users, but in the absence of agreement the relevant proforma attached will be used. In addition, in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, and in readiness for the OTSUA Transfer Time, the User shall provide The Company with the necessary information such that Site Responsibility Schedules in this form can be prepared by the Relevant Transmission Licensees for the Transmission Interface Site:
  - (a) Schedule of HV Apparatus
  - (b) Schedule of Plant, LV/MV Apparatus, services and supplies;
  - (c) Schedule of telecommunications and measurements **Apparatus**.

Other than at **Power Generating Module** (including **DC Connected Power Park Modules**) and **Power Station** locations, the schedules referred to in (b) and (c) may be combined.

#### **New Connection Sites**

ECC.A.1.1.2 In the case of a new Connection Site each Site Responsibility Schedule for a Connection Site shall be prepared by The Company in consultation with relevant Users at least 2 weeks prior to the Completion Date (or, where the OTSUA is to become Operational prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time, an alternative date) under the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement for that Connection Site (which may form part of a Complex). In the case of a new Interface Site where the OTSUA is to become Operational prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time each Site Responsibility Schedule for an Interface Site shall be prepared by The Company in consultation with relevant Users at least 2 weeks prior to the Completion Date under the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement for that Interface Site (which may form part of a Complex) (and references to and requirements placed on "Connection Site" in this ECC shall also be read as "Interface Site" where the context requires and until the OTSUA Transfer Time). Each User shall, in accordance with the timing requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement, provide information to The Company to enable it to prepare the Site Responsibility Schedule.

Sub-division

ECC.A.1.1.3 Each **Site Responsibility Schedule** will be subdivided to take account of any separate **Connection Sites** on that **Complex**.

<u>Scope</u>

- ECC.A.1.1.4 Each Site Responsibility Schedule shall detail for each item of Plant and Apparatus:
  - (a) Plant/Apparatus ownership;
  - (b) Site Manager (Controller) (except in the case of **Plant/Apparatus** located in **SPT's Transmission Area**);
  - (c) Safety issues comprising applicable Safety Rules and Control Person or other responsible person (Safety Co-ordinator), or such other person who is responsible for safety;
  - (d) Operations issues comprising applicable **Operational Procedures** and control engineer;
  - (e) Responsibility to undertake statutory inspections, fault investigation and maintenance.

Each Connection Point shall be precisely shown.

#### Detail

- ECC.A.1.1.5 (a) In the case of **Site Responsibility Schedules** referred to in ECC.A.1.1.1(b) and (c), with the exception of **Protection Apparatus** and **Intertrip Apparatus** operation, it will be sufficient to indicate the responsible **User** or **Transmission Licensee**, as the case may be.
  - (b) In the case of the **Site Responsibility Schedule** referred to in ECC.A.1.1.1(a) and for **Protection Apparatus** and **Intertrip Apparatus**, the responsible management unit must be shown in addition to the **User** or **Transmission Licensee**, as the case may be.
- ECC.A.1.1.6 The **HV Apparatus Site Responsibility Schedule** for each **Connection Site** must include lines and cables emanating from or traversing<sup>1</sup> the **Connection Site**.

Issue Details

ECC.A.1.1.7 Every page of each **Site Responsibility Schedule** shall bear the date of issue and the issue number.

**Accuracy Confirmation** 

- ECC.A.1.1.8 When a **Site Responsibility Schedule** is prepared it shall be sent by **The Company** to the **Users** involved for confirmation of its accuracy.
- ECC.A.1.1.9 The **Site Responsibility Schedule** shall then be signed on behalf of **The Company** by its **Responsible Manager** (see ECC.A.1.1.16) and on behalf of each **User** involved by its **Responsible Manager** (see ECC.A.1.1.16), by way of written confirmation of its accuracy. The **Site Responsibility Schedule** will also be signed on behalf of the **Relevant Transmission Licensee** by its **Responsible Manager**.

**Distribution and Availability** 

- ECC.A.1.1.10 Once signed, two copies will be distributed by **The Company**, not less than two weeks prior to its implementation date, to each **User** which is a party on the **Site Responsibility Schedule**, accompanied by a note indicating the issue number and the date of implementation.
- ECC.A.1.1.11 **The Company** and **Users** must make the **Site Responsibility Schedules** readily available to operational staff at the **Complex** and at the other relevant control points.

Alterations to Existing Site Responsibility Schedules

- User identified on a Site Responsibility Schedule becomes aware that an alteration is necessary, it must inform The Company immediately and in any event 8 weeks prior to any change taking effect (or as soon as possible after becoming aware of it, if less than 8 weeks remain when the User becomes aware of the change). This will cover the commissioning of new Plant and/or Apparatus at the Connection Site, whether requiring a revised Bilateral Agreement or not, de-commissioning of Plant and/or Apparatus, and other changes which affect the accuracy of the Site Responsibility Schedule.
- ECC.A 1.1.13 Where **The Company** has been informed of a change by a **User**, or itself proposes a change, it will prepare a revised **Site Responsibility Schedule** by not less than six weeks prior to the change taking effect (subject to it having been informed or knowing of the change eight weeks prior to that time) and the procedure set out in ECC.A.1.1.8 shall be followed with regard to the revised **Site Responsibility Schedule**.
- ECC.A 1.1.14 The revised **Site Responsibility Schedule** shall then be signed in accordance with the procedure set out in ECC.A.1.1.9 and distributed in accordance with the procedure set out in ECC.A.1.1.10, accompanied by a note indicating where the alteration(s) has/have been made, the new issue number and the date of implementation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Details of circuits traversing the **Connection Site** are only needed from the date which is the earlier of the date when the **Site Responsibility Schedule** is first updated and 15<sup>th</sup> October 2004. In Scotland or **Offshore**, from a date to be agreed between **The Company** and **the Relevant Transmission Licensee**.

## **Urgent Changes**

- ECC.A.1.1.15 When a **User** identified on a **Site Responsibility Schedule**, or **The Company**, as the case may be, becomes aware that an alteration to the **Site Responsibility Schedule** is necessary urgently to reflect, for example, an emergency situation which has arisen outside its control, the **User** shall notify **The Company**, or **The Company** shall notify the **User**, as the case may be, immediately and will discuss:
  - (a) what change is necessary to the **Site Responsibility Schedule**;
  - (b) whether the **Site Responsibility Schedule** is to be modified temporarily or permanently;
  - (c) the distribution of the revised **Site Responsibility Schedule**.

The Company will prepare a revised Site Responsibility Schedule as soon as possible, and in any event within seven days of it being informed of or knowing the necessary alteration. The Site Responsibility Schedule will be confirmed by Users and signed on behalf of The Company and Users and the Relevant Transmission Licensee (by the persons referred to in ECC.A.1.1.9) as soon as possible after it has been prepared and sent to Users for confirmation.

#### Responsible Managers

ECC.A.1.1.16 Each User shall, prior to the Completion Date under each Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement, supply to The Company a list of Managers who have been duly authorised to sign Site Responsibility Schedules on behalf of the User and The Company shall, prior to the Completion Date under each Bilateral Agreement and/or Construction Agreement, supply to that User the name of its Responsible Manager and the name of the Relevant Transmission Licensee's Responsible Manager and each shall supply to the other any changes to such list six weeks before the change takes effect where the change is anticipated, and as soon as possible after the change, where the change was not anticipated.

#### **De-commissioning of Connection Sites**

ECC.A.1.1.17 Where a **Connection Site** is to be de-commissioned, whichever of **The Company** or the **User** who is initiating the de-commissioning must contact the other to arrange for the **Site Responsibility Schedule** to be amended at the relevant time.

# PROFORMA FOR SITE RESPONSIBILITY SCHEDULE

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SP TRANSMISSION Ltd SITE RESPONSIBILITY SCHEDULE OWNERSHIP, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS OF EQUIPMENT IN JOINT USER SITUATIONS Sheet No. Network Area: Revision: Date: SECTION 'A' BUILDING AND SITE SECTION 'B' CUSTOMER OR OTHER PARTY OWNER ACCESS REQUIRED:-NAME:-LESSEE MAINTENANCE SPECIAL CONDITIONS: ADDRESS: SAFETY TELNO:-SECURITY LOCATION OF SUPPLY SUB STATION: TERMINALS:-LOCATION: SECTION 'C' PLANT OPERATION MAINTENANCE FAULT INVESTIGATION TESTING ITEM SAFETY RULE: RELAY **EQUIPMENT** IDENTIFICATION OWNER REMARKS Protection Equip. Protection Equip Trip and Primary Alarm Equip. Primary Equip. Nos. APPLICABLE SETTINGS Tripping Closing Isolating Earthing Reclosure SECTION 'D' CONFIGURATION AND CONTROL SECTION 'E' ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TELEPHONE NUMBER REMARKS RESPONSIBILITY ITEM Nos TELEPHONE NUMBER REMARKS ITEM Nos. CONTROL RESPONSIBILITY

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# Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited

# Site Responsibility Schedule

Substation Type				Number:			Re	evision:	
Equipment	Owner	Controller	Maintainer	Responsible System User	Responsible Management Unit	Control Authority	Safety Rules	Operational Procedures	Notes

# **APPENDIX E2 - OPERATION DIAGRAMS**

# PART 1A - PROCEDURES RELATING TO OPERATION DIAGRAMS

FIXED CAPACITOR	+	SWITCH DISCONNECTOR	   
EARTH	<u>_</u>		
EARTHING RESISTOR	1\rm-	SWITCH DISCONNECTOR WITH INCORPORATED EARTH SWITCH	\$
LIQUID EARTHING RESISTOR	<u> </u>	DISCONNECTOR	
ARC SUPPRESSION COIL		(CENTRE ROTATING POST)	
FIXED MAINTENANCE EARTHING DEVI	CE	DISCONNECTOR (SINGLE BREAK DOUBLE ROTATING)	
CARRIER COUPLING EQUIPMENT (WITHOUT VT)	R&Y	DISCONNECTOR (SINGLE BREAK)	
CARRIER COUPLING EQUIPMENT (WITH VT ON ONE PHASE)	Y REY	DISCONNECTOR (NON-INTERLOCKED)	   NI
CARRIER COUPLING EQUIPMENT (WITH VT ON 3 PHASES)	R&Y	DISCONNECTOR (POWER OPERATED) NA - NON-AUTOMATIC A - AUTOMATIC SO - SEQUENTIAL OPERATION FI - FAULT INTERFERING OPERATION	           
AC GENERATOR	G	EARTH SWITCH	<u>†</u>
SYNCHRONOUS COMPENSATOR	SC		<del>-</del> 
CIRCUIT BREAKER		FAULT THROWING SWITCH (PHASE TO PHASE)	FT
CIRCUIT BREAKER WITH DELAYED AUTO RECLOSE	DAR	FAULT THROWING SWITCH (EARTH FAULT)	         
	l	SURGE ARRESTOR	<b>-</b>
WITHDRAWABLE METALCLAD SWITCHGEAR		THYRISTOR	*

TWO WINDING * CABLE & CABLE SEALING END	<u> </u>
* THROUGH WALL BUSHING —  THREE WINDING  * BYPASS FACILITY	
* CROSSING OF CONDUCTORS (LOWER CONDUCTOR TO BE BROKEN)	_
EARTHING OR AUX. TRANSFORMER  (-) INDICATE REMOTE SITE  IF APPLICABLE  415v	
VOLTAGE TRANSFORMERS	
THREE PHASE WOUND  PREFERENTIAL ABBREVIATION	<u>S</u>
SINGLE PHASE CAPACITOR  TWO SINGLE PHASE CAPACITOR  R&B  AUXILIARY TRANSFORMER  EARTHING TRANSFORMER  ET  GAS TURBINE  GENERATOR TRANSFORMER  GENERATOR TRANSFORMER  GENERATOR TRANSFORMER  GENERATOR TRANSFORMER  GENERATOR TRANSFORMER	T T
GRID TRANSFORMER Gr T  CURRENT TRANSFORMER  (WHERE SEPARATE PRIMARY  APPARATUS)  STATION TRANSFORMER  SUPERGRID TRANSFORMER  SUPERGRID TRANSFORMER  UNIT TRANSFORMER  UT	Reac eac
REACTOR  * COMBINED VT/CT UNIT FOR METERING  * NON-STANDARD SYMBOL	



DISCONNECTOR (PANTOGRAPH TYPE)



QUADRATURE BOOSTER



DISCONNECTOR (KNEE TYPE)



SHORTING/DISCHARGE SWITCH



CAPACITOR
(INCLUDING HARMONIC FILTER)



SINGLE PHASE TRANSFORMER(BR) NEUTRAL AND PHASE CONNECTIONS



RESISTOR WITH INHERENT NON-LINEAR VARIABILITY, VOLTAGE DEPENDANT



# PART E1B - PROCEDURES RELATING TO GAS ZONE DIAGRAMS

GAS INSULATEDBUSBAR	DOUBLE-BREAK DISCONNECTOR  L	
GAS BOUNDARY	EXTERNAL MOUNTED CURRENT TRANSFORMER (WHERE SEPARATE PRIMARY APPARATUS)	•
GAS/GAS BOUNDARY	STOP VALVE NORMALLY CLOSED	
GAS/CABLE BOUNDARY	STOP VALVE NORMALLY OPEN	
GAS/AIR BOUNDARY	GAS MONITOR	
GAS/TRANSFORMER BOUNDARY	FILTER	7
MAINTENANCE VALVE	QUICK ACTING COUPLING	<b>↔</b>

# PART E2 - NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF APPARATUS TO BE INCLUDED ON OPERATION DIAGRAMS

## **Basic Principles** (1) Where practicable, all the HV Apparatus on any Connection Site shall be shown on one Operation Diagram. Provided the clarity of the diagram is not impaired, the layout shall represent as closely as possible the geographical arrangement on the Connection Site. (2)Where more than one **Operation Diagram** is unavoidable, duplication of identical information on more than one Operation Diagram must be avoided. (3)The **Operation Diagram** must show accurately the current status of the **Apparatus** e.g. whether commissioned or decommissioned. Where decommissioned, the associated switchbay will be labelled "spare bay". Provision will be made on the Operation Diagram for signifying approvals, together with (4)provision for details of revisions and dates. Operation Diagrams will be prepared in A4 format or such other format as may be agreed (5)with The Company. The **Operation Diagram** should normally be drawn single line. However, where appropriate, (6)detail which applies to individual phases shall be shown. For example, some HV Apparatus is numbered individually per phase. Apparatus To Be Shown On Operation Diagram (1) **Busbars** Circuit Breakers (2)Disconnector (Isolator) and Switch Disconnecters (Switching Isolators) (3)Disconnectors (Isolators) - Automatic Facilities (4) (5)Bypass Facilities (6)**Earthing Switches** (7)Maintenance Earths Overhead Line Entries (8)(9)Overhead Line Traps (10)Cable and Cable Sealing Ends (11)Generating Unit (12)**Generator Transformers** Generating Unit Transformers, Station Transformers, including the lower voltage circuit-(13)breakers. Synchronous Compensators (14)(15)Static Variable Compensators (16)Capacitors (including Harmonic Filters) Series or Shunt Reactors (Referred to as "Inductors" at nuclear power station sites) (17)Supergrid and Grid Transformers (18)(19)**Tertiary Windings**

Earthing and Auxiliary Transformers

Three Phase VT's

(20)

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(22)	Single Phase VT & Phase Identity
(23)	High Accuracy VT and Phase Identity
(24)	Surge Arrestors/Diverters
(25)	Neutral Earthing Arrangements on HV Plant
(26)	Fault Throwing Devices
(27)	Quadrature Boosters
(28)	Arc Suppression Coils
(29)	Single Phase Transformers (BR) Neutral and Phase Connections
(30)	Current Transformers (where separate plant items)
(31)	Wall Bushings
(32)	Combined VT/CT Units
(33)	Shorting and Discharge Switches
(34)	Thyristor
(35)	Resistor with Inherent Non-Linear Variability, Voltage Dependent
(36)	Gas Zone

# APPENDIX E3 - MINIMUM FREQUENCY RESPONSE CAPABILITY REQUIREMENT PROFILE AND OPERATING RANGE FOR POWER GENERATING MODULES AND HVDC EQUIPMENT

# ECC.A.3.1 Scope

The frequency response capability is defined in terms of **Primary Response**, **Secondary Response** and **High Frequency Response**. In addition to the requirements defined in ECC.6.3.7 this appendix defines the minimum frequency response requirements for:-

- (a) each Type C and Type D Power Generating Module
- (b) each DC Connected Power Park Module
- (c) each HVDC System

For the avoidance of doubt, this appendix does not apply to **Type A** and **Type B Power Generating Modules**.

**OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** should facilitate the delivery of frequency response services provided by **Offshore Generating Units** and **Offshore Power Park Units**.

The functional definition provides appropriate performance criteria relating to the provision of **Frequency** control by means of **Frequency** sensitive generation in addition to the other requirements identified in ECC.6.3.7.

In this Appendix 3 to the ECC, for a Power Generating Module including a CCGT Module or a Power Park Module or DC Connected Power Park Module, the phrase Minimum Regulating Level applies to the entire CCGT Module or Power Park Module or DC Connected Power Park Module operating with all Generating Units Synchronised to the System.

The minimum **Frequency** response requirement profile is shown diagrammatically in Figure ECC.A.3.1. The capability profile specifies the minimum required level of **Frequency Response** Capability throughout the normal plant operating range.

## ECC.A.3.2 Plant Operating Range

The upper limit of the operating range is the **Maximum Capacity** of the **Power Generating Module** or **Generating Unit** or **CCGT Module** or **HVDC Equipment**.

The Minimum Stable Operating Level may be less than, but must not be more than, 65% of the Maximum Capacity. Each Power Generating Module and/or Generating Unit and/or CCGT Module and/or Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment must be capable of operating satisfactorily down to the Minimum Regulating Level as dictated by System operating conditions, although it will not be instructed to below its Minimum Stable Operating Level. If a Power Generating Module or Generating Unit or CCGT Module or Power Park Module, or HVDC Equipment is operating below Minimum Stable Operating Level because of high System Frequency, it should recover adequately to its Minimum Stable Operating Level as the System Frequency returns to Target Frequency so that it can provide Primary and Secondary Response from its Minimum Stable Operating Level if the System Frequency continues to fall. For the avoidance of doubt, under normal operating conditions steady state operation below the Minimum Stable Operating Level is not expected. The Minimum Regulating Level must not be more than 55% of Maximum Capacity.

In the event of a **Power Generating Module** or **Generating Unit** or **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment** load rejecting down to no less than its **Minimum Regulating Level** it should not trip as a result of automatic action as detailed in BC3.7. If the load rejection is to a level less than the **Minimum Regulating Level** then it is accepted that the condition might be so severe as to cause it to be disconnected from the **System**.

#### ECC.A.3.3 Minimum Frequency Response Requirement Profile

Figure ECC.A.3.1 shows the minimum **Frequency** response capability requirement profile diagrammatically for a 0.5 Hz change in **Frequency**. The percentage response capabilities and loading levels are defined on the basis of the **Maximum Capacity** of the **Power Generating Module** or **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment**. Each **Power Generating Module** or and/or **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** (including a **DC Connected Power Park Module**) and/or **HVDC Equipment** must be capable of operating in a manner to provide **Frequency** response at least to the solid boundaries shown in the figure. If the **Frequency** response capability falls within the solid boundaries, the **Power Generating Module** or **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment** is providing response below the minimum requirement which is not acceptable. Nothing in this appendix is intended to prevent a **Power Generating Module** or **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment** from being designed to deliver a **Frequency** response in excess of the identified minimum requirement.

The **Frequency** response delivered for **Frequency** deviations of less than 0.5 Hz should be no less than a figure which is directly proportional to the minimum **Frequency** response requirement for a **Frequency** deviation of 0.5 Hz. For example, if the **Frequency** deviation is 0.2 Hz, the corresponding minimum **Frequency** response requirement is 40% of the level shown in Figure ECC.A.3.1. The **Frequency** response delivered for **Frequency** deviations of more than 0.5 Hz should be no less than the response delivered for a **Frequency** deviation of 0.5 Hz.

Each Power Generating Module and/or CCGT Module and/or Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment must be capable of providing some response, in keeping with its specific operational characteristics, when operating between 95% to 100% of Maximum Capacity as illustrated by the dotted lines in Figure ECC.A.3.1.

At the Minimum Stable Operating level, each Power Generating Module and/or CCGT Module and/or Power Park Module and/or HVDC Equipment is required to provide high and low frequency response depending on the System Frequency conditions. Where the Frequency is high, the Active Power output is therefore expected to fall below the Minimum Stable Operating level.

The Minimum Regulating Level is the output at which a Power Generating Module and/or CCGT Module and/or Power Park Module and/or HVDC Equipment has no High Frequency Response capability. It may be less than, but must not be more than, 55% of the Maximum Capacity. This implies that a Power Generating Module or CCGT Module or Power Park Module) or HVDC Equipment is not obliged to reduce its output to below this level unless the Frequency is at or above 50.5 Hz (cf BC3.7).

#### ECC.A.3.4 Testing of Frequency Response Capability

The frequency response capabilities shown diagrammatically in Figure ECC.A.3.1 are measured by taking the responses as obtained from some of the dynamic step response tests specified by **The Company** and carried out by **Generators** and HV**DC System** owners for compliance purposes. The injected signal is a step of 0.5Hz from zero to 0.5 Hz **Frequency** change, and is sustained at 0.5 Hz **Frequency** change thereafter, the latter as illustrated diagrammatically in figures ECC.A.3.4 and ECC.A.3.5.

In addition to provide and/or to validate the content of **Ancillary Services Agreements** a progressive injection of a **Frequency** change to the plant control system (i.e. governor and load controller) is used. The injected signal is a ramp of 0.5Hz from zero to 0.5 Hz **Frequency** change over a ten second period, and is sustained at 0.5 Hz **Frequency** change thereafter, the latter as illustrated diagrammatically in figures ECC.A.3.2 and ECC.A.3.3. In the case of an **Embedded Medium Power Station** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** or **Embedded HVDC System** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**, **The Company** may require the **Network Operator** within whose System the **Embedded Medium Power Station** or **Embedded HVDC System** is situated, to ensure that the **Embedded Person** performs the dynamic response tests reasonably required by **The Company** in order to demonstrate compliance within the relevant requirements in the **ECC**.

The **Primary Response** capability (P) of a **Power Generating Module** or a **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment** is the minimum increase in **Active Power** output between 10 and 30 seconds after the start of the ramp injection as illustrated diagrammatically in Figure ECC.A.3.2. This increase in **Active Power** output should be released increasingly with time over the period 0 to 10 seconds from the time of the start of the **Frequency** fall as illustrated by the response from Figure ECC.A.3.2.

The **Secondary Response** capability (S) of a **Power Generating Module** or a **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment** is the minimum increase in **Active Power** output between 30 seconds and 30 minutes after the start of the ramp injection as illustrated diagrammatically in Figure ECC.A.3.2.

The **High Frequency Response** capability (H) of a **Power Generating Module** or a **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment** is the decrease in **Active Power** output provided 10 seconds after the start of the ramp injection and sustained thereafter as illustrated diagrammatically in Figure ECC.A.3.3. This reduction in **Active Power** output should be released increasingly with time over the period 0 to 10 seconds from the time of the start of the **Frequency** rise as illustrated by the response in Figure ECC.A.3.2.

#### ECC.A.3.5 Repeatability of Response

When a **Power Generating Module** or **CCGT Module** or **Power Park Module** or **HVDC Equipment** has responded to a significant **Frequency** disturbance, its response capability must be fully restored as soon as technically possible. Full response capability should be restored no later than 20 minutes after the initial change of **System Frequency** arising from the **Frequency** disturbance.

Figure ECC.A.3.1 – Minimum Frequency Response Capability Requirement Profile for a 0.5Hz change from Target Frequency

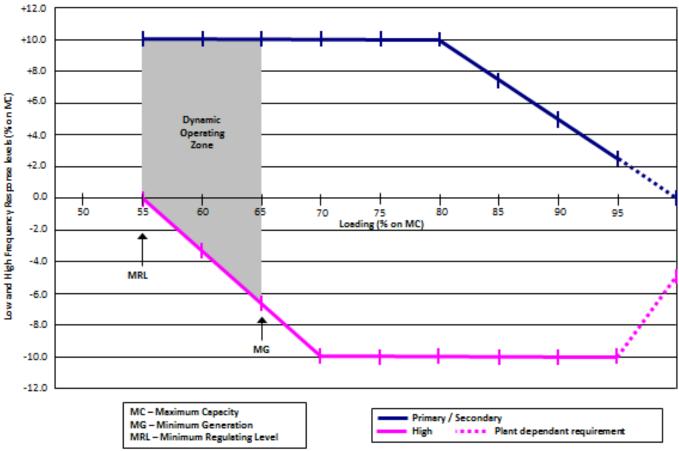


Figure ECC.A.3.2 - Interpretation of Primary and Secondary Response Service Values

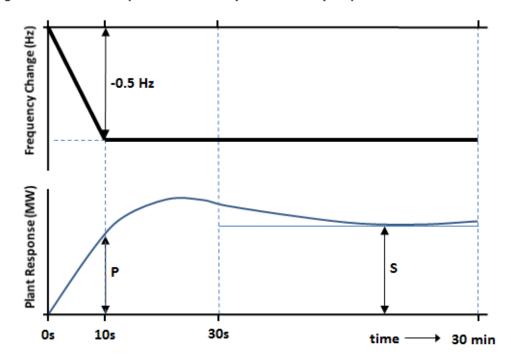


Figure ECC.A.3.3 – Interpretation of High Frequency Response Service Values

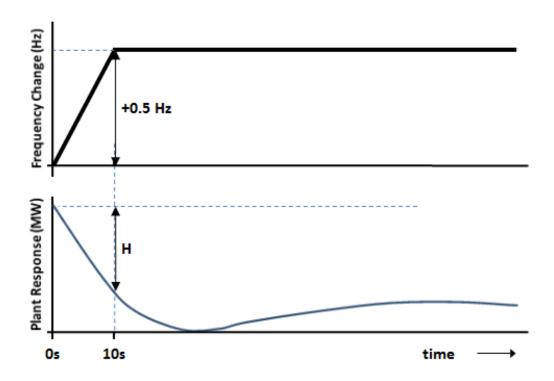


Figure ECC.A.3.4 - Interpretation of Low Frequency Response Capability Values

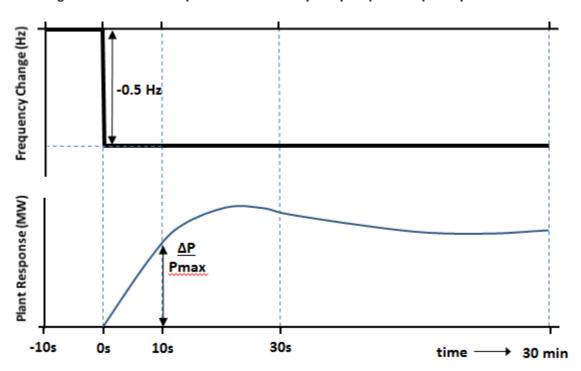
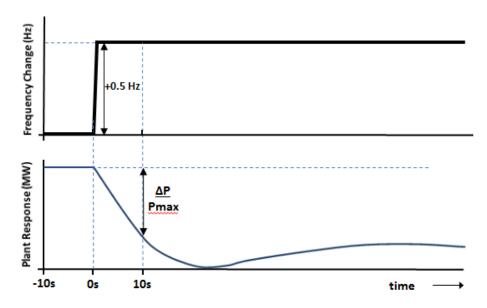


Figure ECC.A.3.5 – Interpretation of High Frequency Response Capability Values



#### **ECC.4 - APPENDIX 4 - FAULT RIDE THROUGH REQUIREMENTS**

FAULT RIDE THROUGH REQUIREMENTS FOR TYPE B, TYPE C AND TYPE D POWER GENERATING MODULES (INCLUDING OFFSHORE POWER PARK MODULES WHICH ARE EITHER AC CONNECTED POWER PARK MODULES), HVDC SYSTEMS AND OTSDUW PLANT AND APPARATUS

#### ECC.A.4A.1 Scope

The **Fault Ride Through** requirements are defined in ECC.6.3.15. This Appendix provides illustrations by way of examples only of ECC.6.3.15.1 to ECC.6.3.15.10 and further background and illustrations and is not intended to show all possible permutations.

## ECC.A.4A.2 Short Circuit Faults At Supergrid Voltage On The Onshore Transmission System Up To 140ms In Duration

For short circuit faults at **Supergrid Voltage** on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which could be at an **Interface Point**) up to 140ms in duration, the **Fault Ride Through** requirement is defined in ECC.6.3.15. In summary any **Power Generating Module** (including a **DC Connected Power Park Module**) or **HVDC System** is required to remain connected and stable whilst connected to a healthy circuit. Figure ECC.A.4.A.2 illustrates this principle.

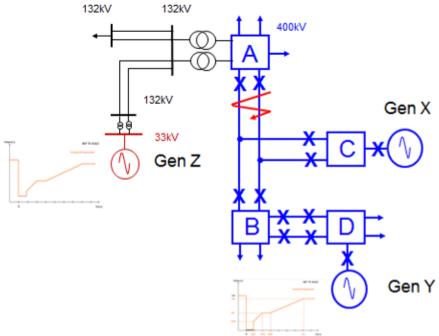


Figure ECC.A.4.A.2

In Figure ECC.A.4.A.2 a solid three phase short circuit fault is applied adjacent to substation A resulting in zero voltage at the point of fault. All circuit breakers on the faulty circuit (Lines ABC) will open within 140ms resulting in Gen X tripping. The effect of this fault, due to the low impedance of the network, will be the observation of a low voltage at each substation node across the **Total System** until the fault has been cleared. In this example, Gen Y and Gen Z (an Embedded Generator) would need to remain connected and stable as both are still connected to the **Total System** and remain connected to healthy circuits .

The criteria for assessment is based on a voltage against time curve at each **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point**. The voltage against time curve at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** varies for each different type and size of **Power Generating Module** as detailed in ECC.6.3.15.2. – ECC.6.3.15.7.

The voltage against time curve represents the voltage profile at a **Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point** that would be obtained by plotting the voltage at that **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** before during and after the fault. This is not to be confused with a voltage duration curve (as defined under ECC.6.3.15.9) which represents a voltage level and associated time duration.

The post fault voltage at a **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** is largely influenced by the topology of the network rather than the behaviour of the **Power Generating Module** itself. The **EU Generator** therefore needs to ensure each **Power Generating Module** remains connected and stable for a close up solid three phase short circuit fault for 140ms at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point**.

Two examples are shown in Figure EA.4.2(a) and Figure EA4.2(b). In Figure EA.4.2(a) the post fault profile is above the heavy black line. In this case the **Power Generating Module** must remain connected and stable. In Figure EA4.2(b) the post fault voltage dips below the heavy black line in which case the **Power Generating Module** is permitted to trip.

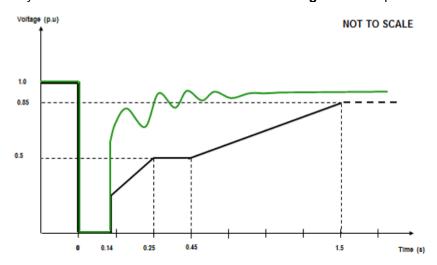


Figure EA.4.2(a)

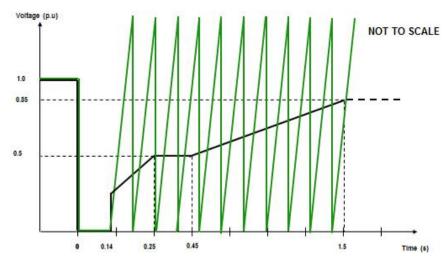


Figure EA.4.2(b)

The process for demonstrating **Fault Ride Through** compliance against the requirements of ECC.6.3.15 is detailed in ECP.A.3.5 and ECP.A.6.7 (as applicable).

ECC.A.4A.3 <u>Supergrid Voltage Dips On The Onshore Transmission System Greater Than 140ms In</u> Duration

ECC.A.4A3.1 Requirements applicable to **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** subject to **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** greater than 140ms in duration.

For balanced **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** having durations greater than 140ms and up to 3 minutes, the **Fault Ride Through** requirement is defined in ECC.6.3.15.9.2.1(a) and Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(a) which is reproduced in this Appendix as Figure EA.4.3.1 and termed the voltage—duration profile.

This profile is not a voltage-time response curve that would be obtained by plotting the transient voltage response at a point on the **Onshore Transmission System** (or **User System** if located **Onshore**) to a disturbance. Rather, each point on the profile (ie the heavy black line) represents a voltage level and an associated time duration which connected **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** must withstand or ride through.

Figures EA.4.3.2 (a), (b) and (c) illustrate the meaning of the voltage-duration profile for voltage dips having durations greater than 140ms.

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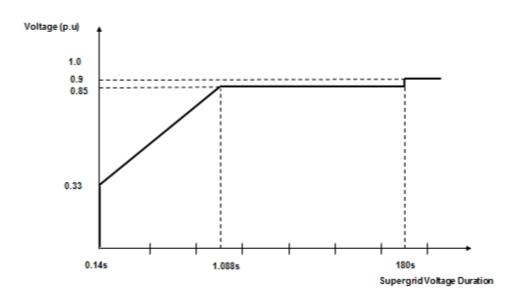


Figure EA.4.3.1

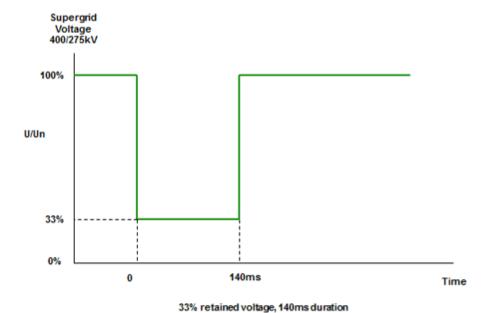
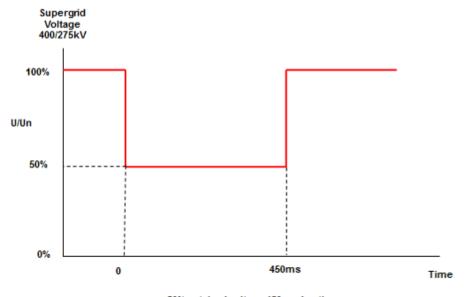


Figure EA.4.3.2 (a)



50% retained voltage, 450ms duration

Figure EA.4.3.2 (b)

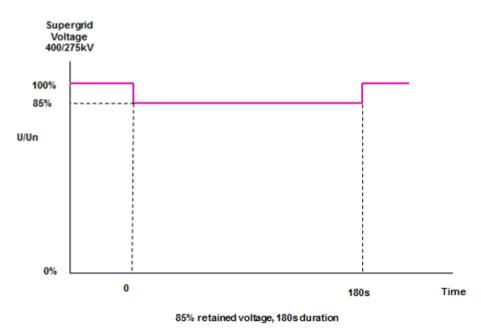


Figure EA.4.3.2 (c)

ECC.A.4A3.2 Requirements applicable to **Power Park Modules** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** subject to **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** greater than 140ms in duration

For balanced **Supergrid Voltage** dips on the **Onshore Transmission System** (which could be at an **Interface Point**) having durations greater than 140ms and up to 3 minutes the **Fault Ride Through** requirement is defined in ECC.6.3.15.9.2.1(b) and Figure ECC.6.3.15.9(b) which is reproduced in this Appendix as Figure EA.4.3.3 and termed the voltage–duration profile.

This profile is not a voltage-time response curve that would be obtained by plotting the transient voltage response at a point on the **Onshore Transmission System** (or **User System** if located **Onshore**) to a disturbance. Rather, each point on the profile (ie the heavy black line) represents a voltage level and an associated time duration which connected **Power Park Modules** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** must withstand or ride through.

Figures EA.4.3.4 (a), (b) and (c) illustrate the meaning of the voltage-duration profile for voltage dips having durations greater than 140ms.

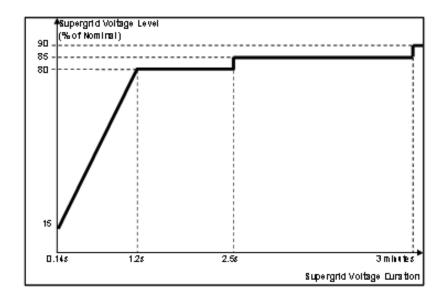
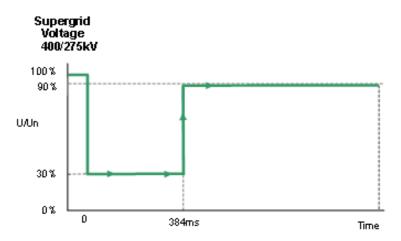
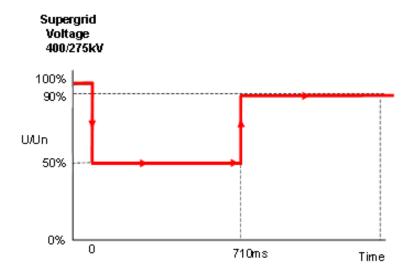


Figure EA.4.3.3



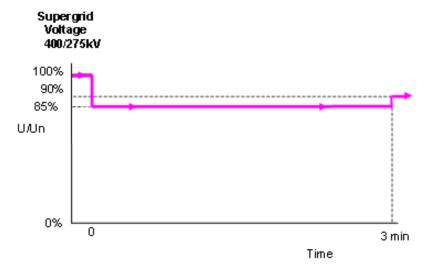
30% retained voltage, 384ms duration

Figure EA.4.3.4(a)



50% retained voltage, 710ms duration

Figure EA.4.3.4 (b)



85% retained voltage, 3 minutes duration

Figure EA.4.3.4 (c)

#### APPENDIX E5 - TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS LOW FREQUENCY RELAYS FOR THE AUTOMATIC DISCONNECTION OF SUPPLIES AT LOW FREQUENCY

#### ECC.A.5.1 Low Frequency Relays

(b) Operating time:

ECC.A.5.1.1 The **Low Frequency Relays** to be used shall have a setting range of 47.0 to 50Hz and be suitable for operation from a nominal AC input of 63.5, 110 or 240V. The following-parameters specify the requirements of approved **Low Frequency Relays**:

(a) **Frequency** settings: 47-50Hz in steps of 0.05Hz or better, preferably 0.01Hz;

(c) Voltage lock-out: Selectable within a range of 55 to 90% of nominal voltage;

(d) Direction Tripping interlock for forward or reverse power flow capable of

being set in either position or off

(e) Facility stages: One or two stages of **Frequency** operation;

(f) Output contacts: Two output contacts per stage to be capable of repetitively

making and breaking for 1000 operations:

(g) Accuracy: 0.01 Hz maximum error under reference environmental and

system voltage conditions.

0.05 Hz maximum error at 8% of total harmonic distortion

Relay operating time shall not be more than 150 ms;

Electromagnetic Compatibility Level.

In the case of **Network Operators** who are **GB Code Users**, the above requirements only apply to a relay (if any) installed at the **EU Grid Supply Point**. **Network Operators** who are also **GB Code Users** should continue to satisfy the requirements for low frequency relays as specified in the **CCs** as applicable to their **System**.

#### ECC.A.5.2 Low Frequency Relay Voltage Supplies

- ECC.A.5.2.1 It is essential that the voltage supply to the **Low Frequency Relays** shall be derived from the primary **System** at the supply point concerned so that the **Frequency** of the **Low Frequency Relays** input voltage is the same as that of the primary **System**. This requires either:
  - (a) the use of a secure supply obtained from voltage transformers directly associated with the grid transformer(s) concerned, the supply being obtained where necessary via a suitable automatic voltage selection scheme; or
  - (b) the use of the substation 240V phase-to-neutral selected auxiliary supply, provided that this supply is always derived at the supply point concerned and is never derived from a standby supply **Power Generating Module** or from another part of the **User System**.

#### ECC.A.5.3 Scheme Requirements

ECC.A.5.3.1 The tripping facility should be engineered in accordance with the following reliability considerations:

#### (a) Dependability

Failure to trip at any one particular **Demand** shedding point would not harm the overall operation of the scheme. However, many failures would have the effect of reducing the amount of **Demand** under low **Frequency** control. An overall reasonable minimum requirement for the dependability of the **Demand** shedding scheme is 96%, i.e. the average probability of failure of each **Demand** shedding point should be less than 4%. Thus the **Demand** under low **Frequency** control will not be reduced by more than 4% due to relay failure.

#### (b) Outages

Low **Frequency Demand** shedding schemes will be engineered such that the amount of **Demand** under control is as specified in Table ECC.A.5.5.1a and is not reduced unacceptably during equipment outage or maintenance conditions.

ECC.A.5.3.2 The total operating time of the scheme, including circuit breakers operating time, shall where reasonably practicable, be less than 200 ms. For the avoidance of doubt, the replacement of plant installed prior to October 2009 will not be required in order to achieve lower total scheme operating times.

#### ECC.A.5.4 Low Frequency Relay Testing

ECC.A.5.4.1 **Low Frequency Relays** installed and commissioned after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2007 shall be type tested in accordance with and comply with the functional test requirements for **Frequency Protection** contained in Energy Networks Association Technical Specification 48-6-5 Issue 1 dated 2005 "ENA **Protection** Assessment Functional Test Requirements – Voltage and Frequency **Protection**".

For the avoidance of doubt, **Low Frequency Relays** installed and commissioned before 1<sup>st</sup> January 2007 shall comply with the version of ECC.A.5.1.1 applicable at the time such **Low Frequency Relays** were commissioned.

- ECC.A.5.4.2 Each **Non-Embedded Customer** shall aim to execute testing on its low frequency demand disconnection relays installed within its network and in service at least once every three years, although this may be extended to no more than every five years if considered to be required for operational purposes.
- ECC.A.5.4.3 Each **Network Operator** and **Relevant Transmission Licensee** shall aim to execute testing on its low frequency demand disconnection relays installed within its network and in service at least once every three years, although this may be extended to no more than every five years if considered to be required for operational purposes.

#### ECC.A.5.5 Scheme Settings

Table CC.A.5.5.1a shows, for each Transmission Area, the percentage of Demand (based on Annual ACS Conditions) at the time of forecast National Electricity Transmission System peak Demand that each Network Operator whose System is connected to the Onshore Transmission System within such Transmission Area shall disconnect by Low Frequency Relays at a range of frequencies. Where a Network Operator's System is connected to the National Electricity Transmission System in more than one Transmission Area, the settings for the Transmission Area in which the majority of the Demand is connected shall apply.

Frequency Hz	% <b>Demand</b> disconnection for each Network Operator in Transmission Area		
	NGET	SPT	SHETL
48.8	5		
48.75	5		
48.7	10		
48.6	7.5		10
48.5	7.5	10	
48.4	7.5	10	10
48.2	7.5	10	10
48.0	5	10	10
47.8	5		
Total % <b>Demand</b>	60	40	40

Table ECC.A.5.5.1a

Note – the percentages in table ECC.A.5.5.1a are cumulative such that, for example, should the frequency fall to 48.6 Hz in **NGET's Transmission Area**, 27.5% of the total **Demand** connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** in **NGET's Transmission Area** shall be disconnected by the action of **Low Frequency Relays**.

The percentage **Demand** at each stage shall be allocated as far as reasonably practicable. The cumulative total percentage **Demand** is a minimum.

- ECC.A.5.5.2 In the case of a **Non-Embedded Customer** (who is also an **EU Code User**) the percentage of **Demand** (based on **Annual ACS Conditions**) at the time of forecast **National Electricity Transmission System** peak **Demand** that each **Non-Embedded Customer** whose **System** is connected to the **Onshore Transmission System** which shall be disconnected by **Low Frequency Relays** shall be in accordance with OC6.6 and the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECC.A.5.6 Connection and Reconnection
- As defined under OC.6.6 once automatic low **Frequency Demand Disconnection** has taken place, the **Network Operator** on whose **User System** it has occurred, will not reconnect until **The Company** instructs that **Network Operator** to do so in accordance with OC6. The same requirement equally applies to **Non-Embedded Customers.**
- ECC.A.5.6.2 Once **The Company** instructs the **Network Operator** or **Non Embedded Customer** to reconnect to the **National Electricity Transmission System** following operation of the **Low Frequency Demand Disconnection** scheme it shall do so in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.2.3.10 and OC6.6.

- ECC.A.5.6.3 Network Operators or Non Embedded Customers shall be capable of being remotely disconnected from the National Electricity Transmission System when instructed by The Company. Any requirement for the automated disconnection equipment for reconfiguration of the National Electricity Transmission System in preparation for block loading and the time required for remote disconnection shall be specified by The Company in accordance with the terms of the Bilateral Agreement.
- During System Restoration, the Total System may be operated outside of Licence Standards as provided for in OC9.4.3. During such periods, on or after 31 December 2026, Transmission Licensees in accordance with the requirements of the STC, Network Operators and Non-Embedded Customers shall have the remote capability to inhibit and restore the operation of their Low Frequency Relays upon instruction from The Company as provided for in OC9.5.7(a).

# APPENDIX E6 - PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINUOUSLY ACTING AUTOMATIC EXCITATION CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR ONSHORE SYNCHRONOUS POWER GENERATING MODULES.

#### ECC.A.6.1 Scope

- ECC.A.6.1.1 This Appendix sets out the performance requirements of continuously acting automatic excitation control systems for Type C and Type D Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Modules that must be complied with by the User. This Appendix does not limit any site specific requirements where in The Company's reasonable opinion these facilities are necessary for system reasons.
- Where the requirements may vary the likely range of variation is given in this Appendix. It may be necessary to specify values outside this range where **The Company** identifies a system need, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary **The Company** may specify values outside of the ranges provided in this Appendix 6. The most common variations are in the on-load excitation ceiling voltage requirements and the response time required of the **Exciter**. Actual values will be included in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- Should an **EU Generator** anticipate making a change to the excitation control system it shall notify **The Company** under the **Planning Code** (PC.A.1.2(b) and (c)) as soon as the **EU Generator** anticipates making the change. The change may require a revision to the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECC.A.6.2 Requirements
- ECC.A.6.2.1 The Excitation System of a Type C or Type D Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Module shall include an excitation source (Exciter), and a continuously acting Automatic Voltage Regulator (AVR) and shall meet the following functional specification. Type D Synchronous Power Generating Modules are also required to be fitted with a Power System Stabiliser in accordance with the requirements of ECC.A.6.2.5.
- ECC.A.6.2.3 <u>Steady State Voltage Control</u>
- ECC.A.6.2.3.1 An accurate steady state control of the **Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Module** pre-set **Synchronous Generating Unit** terminal voltage is required. As a measure of the accuracy of the steady-state voltage control, the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** shall have static zero frequency gain, sufficient to limit the change in terminal voltage to a drop not exceeding 0.5% of rated terminal voltage, when the output of a **Synchronous Generating Unit** within an **Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Module** is gradually changed from zero to rated MVA output at rated voltage, **Active Power** and **Frequency**.
- ECC.A.6.2.4 <u>Transient Voltage Control</u>
- ECC.A.6.2.4.1 For a step change from 90% to 100% of the nominal **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** terminal voltage, with the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** on open circuit, the **Excitation System** response shall have a damped oscillatory characteristic. For this characteristic, the time for the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** terminal voltage to first reach 100% shall be less than 0.6 seconds. Also, the time to settle within 5% of the voltage change shall be less than 3 seconds.
- ECC.A.6.2.4.2 To ensure that adequate synchronising power is maintained, when the **Onshore Power Generating Module** is subjected to a large voltage disturbance, the **Exciter** whose output is varied by the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** shall be capable of providing its achievable upper and lower limit ceiling voltages to the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** field in a time not exceeding that specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**. This will normally be not less than 50 ms and not greater than 300 ms. The achievable upper and lower limit ceiling voltages may be dependent on the voltage disturbance.
- ECC.A.6.2.4.3 The Exciter shall be capable of attaining an Excitation System On Load Positive Ceiling Voltage of not less than a value specified in the Bilateral Agreement that will be:

not less than 2 per unit (pu)

normally not greater than 3 pu exceptionally up to 4 pu

of **Rated Field Voltage** when responding to a sudden drop in voltage of 10 percent or more at the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** terminals. **The Company** may specify a value outside the above limits where **The Company** identifies a system need.

#### ECC.A.6.2.4.4 If a static type **Exciter** is employed:

- (i) the field voltage should be capable of attaining a negative ceiling level specified in the Bilateral Agreement after the removal of the step disturbance of ECC.A.6.2.4.3. The specified value will be 80% of the value specified in ECC.A.6.2.4.3. The Company may specify a value outside the above limits where The Company identifies a system need.
- (ii) the **Exciter** must be capable of maintaining free firing when the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** terminal voltage is depressed to a level which may be between 20% to 30% of rated terminal voltage
- (iii) the Exciter shall be capable of attaining a positive ceiling voltage not less than 80% of the Excitation System On Load Positive Ceiling Voltage upon recovery of the Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit terminal voltage to 80% of rated terminal voltage following fault clearance. The Company may specify a value outside the above limits where The Company identifies a system need.
- (iv) the requirement to provide a separate power source for the **Exciter** will be specified if **The Company** identifies a **Transmission System** need.

#### ECC.A.6.2.5 Power Oscillations Damping Control

- ECC.A.6.2.5.1 To allow **Type D Onshore Power Generating Modules** to maintain second and subsequent swing stability and also to ensure an adequate level of low frequency electrical damping power, the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** of each **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** within each **Type D Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Module** shall include a **Power System Stabiliser** as a means of supplementary control.
- ECC.A.6.2.5.2 Whatever supplementary control signal is employed, it shall be of the type which operates into the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** to cause the field voltage to act in a manner which results in the damping power being improved while maintaining adequate synchronising power.
- ECC.A.6.2.5.3 The arrangements for the supplementary control signal shall ensure that the **Power System Stabiliser** output signal relates only to changes in the supplementary control signal and not the steady state level of the signal. For example, if generator electrical power output is chosen as a supplementary control signal then the **Power System Stabiliser** output should relate only to changes in the **Synchronous Generating Unit** electrical power output and not the steady state level of power output. Additionally the **Power System Stabiliser** should not react to mechanical power changes in isolation for example during rapid changes in steady state load or when providing frequency response.
- ECC.A.6.2.5.4 The output signal from the **Power System Stabiliser** shall be limited to not more than ±10% of the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** terminal voltage signal at the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** input. The gain of the **Power System Stabiliser** shall be such that an increase in the gain by a factor of 3 shall not cause instability.
- ECC.A.6.2.5.5 The **Power System Stabiliser** shall include elements that limit the bandwidth of the output signal. The bandwidth limiting must ensure that the highest frequency of response cannot excite torsional oscillations on other plant connected to the network. A bandwidth of 0-5Hz would be judged to be acceptable for this application.
- ECC.A.6.2.5.6 The **EU Generator** in respect of its **Type D Synchronous Power Generating Modules** will agree **Power System Stabiliser** settings with **The Company** prior to the on-load commissioning detailed in BC2.11.2(d). To allow assessment of the performance before on-load commissioning the **EU Generator** will provide to **The Company** a report covering the areas specified in ECP.A.3.2.1.

- ECC.A.6.2.5.7 The **Power System Stabiliser** must be active within the **Excitation System** at all times when **Synchronised** including when the **Under Excitation Limiter** or **Over Excitation Limiter** are active. When operating at low load when **Synchronising** or **De-Synchronising** an **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit**, within a **Type D Synchronous Power Generating Module**, the **Power System Stabiliser** may be out of service.
- ECC.A.6.2.5.8 Where a **Power System Stabiliser** is fitted to a **Pumped Storage Unit** within a **Type D Synchronous Power Generating Module** it must function when the **Pumped Storage Unit** is in both generating and pumping modes. In addition, where a **Power System Stabiliser** is fitted to an **Electricity Storage Unit** within a **Type D Synchronous Electricity Storage Module**, it must function when the **Synchronous Electricity Storage Unit** is in both importing and exporting modes of operation.
- ECC.A.6.2.6 Overall Excitation System Control Characteristics
- ECC.A.6.2.6.1 The overall **Excitation System** shall include elements that limit the bandwidth of the output signal. The bandwidth limiting must be consistent with the speed of response requirements and ensure that the highest frequency of response cannot excite torsional oscillations on other plant connected to the network. A bandwidth of 0-5 Hz will be judged to be acceptable for this application.
- ECC.A.6.2.6.2 The response of the Automatic Voltage Regulator combined with the Power System Stabiliser shall be demonstrated by injecting similar step signal disturbances into the Automatic Voltage Regulator reference as detailed in ECPA.5.2 and ECPA.5.4. The Automatic Voltage Regulator shall include a facility to allow step injections into the Automatic Voltage Regulator voltage reference, with the Onshore Type D Power Generating Module operating at points specified by The Company (up to rated MVA output). The damping shall be judged to be adequate if the corresponding Active Power response to the disturbances decays within two cycles of oscillation.
- ECC.A.6.2.6.3 A facility to inject a band limited random noise signal into the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** voltage reference shall be provided for demonstrating the frequency domain response of the **Power System Stabiliser**. The tuning of the **Power System Stabiliser** shall be judged to be adequate if the corresponding **Active Power** response shows improved damping with the **Power System Stabiliser** in combination with the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** compared with the **Automatic Voltage Regulator** alone over the frequency range 0.3Hz 2Hz.
- ECC.A.6.2.7 <u>Under-Excitation Limiters</u>
- ECC.A.6.2.7.1 The security of the power system shall also be safeguarded by means of MVAr Under Excitation Limiters fitted to the Synchronous Power Generating Module Excitation System. The Under Excitation Limiter shall prevent the Automatic Voltage Regulator reducing the Synchronous Generating Unit excitation to a level which would endanger synchronous stability. The Under Excitation Limiter shall operate when the excitation system is providing automatic control. The Under Excitation Limiter shall respond to changes in the Active Power (MW) the Reactive Power (MVAr) and to the square of the Synchronous Generating Unit voltage in such a direction that an increase in voltage will permit an increase in leading MVAr. The characteristic of the Under Excitation Limiter shall be substantially linear from no-load to the maximum Active Power output of the Onshore Power Generating Module at any setting and shall be readily adjustable.

- ECC.A.6.2.7.2 The performance of the **Under Excitation Limiter** shall be independent of the rate of change of the **Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Module** load and shall be demonstrated by testing as detailed in ECP.A.5.5. The resulting maximum overshoot in response to a step injection which operates the **Under Excitation Limiter** shall not exceed 4% of the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** rated MVA. The operating point of the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** shall be returned to a steady state value at the limit line and the final settling time shall not be greater than 5 seconds. When the step change in **Automatic Voltage Regulator** reference voltage is reversed, the field voltage should begin to respond without any delay and should not be held down by the **Under Excitation Limiter**. Operation into or out of the preset limit levels shall ensure that any resultant oscillations are damped so that the disturbance is within 0.5% of the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** MVA rating within a period of 5 seconds.
- ECC.A.6.2.7.3 The **EU Generator** shall also make provision to prevent the reduction of the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** excitation to a level which would endanger synchronous stability when the **Excitation System** is under manual control.
- ECC.A.6.2.8 Over-Excitation and Stator Current Limiters
- ECC.A.6.2.8.1 The settings of the **Over-Excitation Limiter** and stator current limiter, shall ensure that the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** excitation is not limited to less than the maximum value that can be achieved whilst ensuring the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** is operating within its design limits. If the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** excitation is reduced following a period of operation at a high level, the rate of reduction shall not exceed that required to remain within any time dependent operating characteristics of the **Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Module**.
- ECC.A.6.2.8.2 The performance of the **Over-Excitation Limiter**, shall be demonstrated by testing as described in ECP.A.5.6. Any operation beyond the **Over-Excitation Limit** shall be controlled by the **Over-Excitation Limiter** or stator current limiter without the operation of any **Protection** that could trip the **Onshore Synchronous Power Generating Module**.
- ECC.A.6.2.8.3 The **EU Generator** shall also make provision to prevent any over-excitation restriction of the **Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit** when the **Excitation System** is under manual control, other than that necessary to ensure the **Onshore Power Generating Module** is operating within its design limits.

APPENDIX E7 - PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINUOUSLY ACTING AUTOMATIC VOLTAGE CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR AC CONNECTED ONSHORE POWER PARK MODULES AND OTSDUW PLANT AND APPARATUS AT THE INTERFACE POINT HVDC SYSTEMS AND REMOTE END HVDC CONVERTER STATIONS

#### ECC.A.7.1 Scope

- ECC.A.7.1.1 This Appendix sets out the performance requirements of continuously acting automatic voltage control systems for Onshore Power Park Modules, Onshore HVDC Converters Remote End HVDC Converter Stations and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point that must be complied with by the User. This Appendix does not limit any site specific requirements where in The Company's reasonable opinion these facilities are necessary for system reasons. The control performance requirements applicable to Configuration 2 AC Connected Offshore Power Park Modules and Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules are defined in Appendix E8.
- Proposals by **EU Generators** or **HVDC System Owners** to make a change to the voltage control systems are required to be notified to **The Company** under the **Planning Code** (PC.A.1.2(b) and (c)) as soon as the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** anticipates making the change. The change may require a revision to the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- In the case of a **Remote End HVDC Converter** at a **HVDC Converter Station**, the control performance requirements shall be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**. These requirements shall be consistent with those specified in ECC.6.3.2.4. In the case where the **Remote End HVDC Converter** is required to ensure the zero transfer of **Reactive Power** at the **HVDC Interface Point** then the requirements shall be specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** which shall be consistent with those requirements specified in ECC.A.8. In the case where a wider reactive capability has been specified in ECC.6.3.2.4, then the requirements consistent with those specified in ECC.A.7.2 shall apply with any variations being agreed between the **User** and **The Company**.

#### ECC.A.7.2 Requirements

The Company requires that the continuously acting automatic voltage control system for the Onshore Power Park Module, Onshore HVDC Converter or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall meet the following functional performance specification. If a Network Operator has confirmed to The Company that its network to which an Embedded Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore HVDC Converter or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus is connected is restricted such that the full reactive range under the steady state voltage control requirements (ECC.A.7.2.2) cannot be utilised, The Company may specify alternative limits to the steady state voltage control range that reflect these restrictions. Where the Network Operator subsequently notifies The Company that such restriction has been removed, The Company may propose a Modification to the Bilateral Agreement (in accordance with the CUSC contract) to remove the alternative limits such that the continuously acting automatic voltage control system meets the following functional performance specification. All other requirements of the voltage control system will remain as in this Appendix.

#### ECC.A.7.2.2 Steady State Voltage Control

ECC.A.7.2.2.1 The Onshore Power Park Module, Onshore HVDC Converter or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus shall provide continuous steady state control of the voltage at the Onshore Grid Entry Point (or Onshore User System Entry Point if Embedded) (or the Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus ) with a Setpoint Voltage and Slope characteristic as illustrated in Figure ECC.A.7.2.2a.

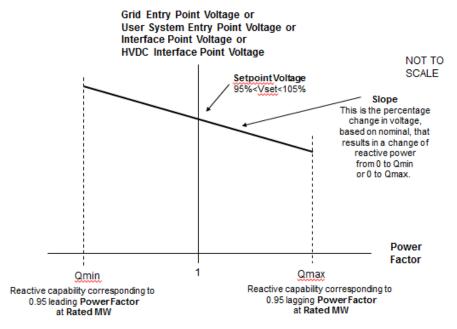


Figure ECC.A.7.2.2a

ECC.A.7.2.2.2 The continuously acting automatic control system shall be capable of operating to a Setpoint Voltage between 95% and 105% with a resolution of 0.25% of the nominal voltage. For the avoidance of doubt values of 95%, 95.25%, 95.5% ... may be specified, but not intermediate values. The initial Setpoint Voltage will be 100%. The tolerance within which this Setpoint Voltage shall be achieved is specified in BC2.A.2.6. For the avoidance of doubt, with a tolerance of 0.25% and a Setpoint Voltage of 100%, the achieved value shall be between 99.75% and 100.25%. The Company may request the EU Generator or HVDC System Owner to implement an alternative Setpoint Voltage within the range of 95% to 105%. For Embedded Generators and Embedded HVDC System Owners the Setpoint Voltage will be discussed between The Company and the relevant Network Operator and will be specified to ensure consistency with ECC.6.3.4.

ECC.A.7.2.2.3 The **Slope** characteristic of the continuously acting automatic control system shall be adjustable over the range 2% to 7% (with a resolution of 0.5%). For the avoidance of doubt values of 2%, 2.5%, 3% may be specified, but not intermediate values. The initial **Slope** setting will be 4%. The tolerance within which this **Slope** shall be achieved is specified in BC2.A.2.6. For the avoidance of doubt, with a tolerance of 0.5% and a **Slope** setting of 4%, the achieved value shall be between 3.5% and 4.5%. **The Company** may request the **EU Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** to implement an alternative slope setting within the range of 2% to 7%. For **Embedded Generators** and **Onshore Embedded HVDC Converter Station Owners** the **Slope** setting will be discussed between **The Company** and the relevant **Network Operator** and will be specified to ensure consistency with ECC.6.3.4.

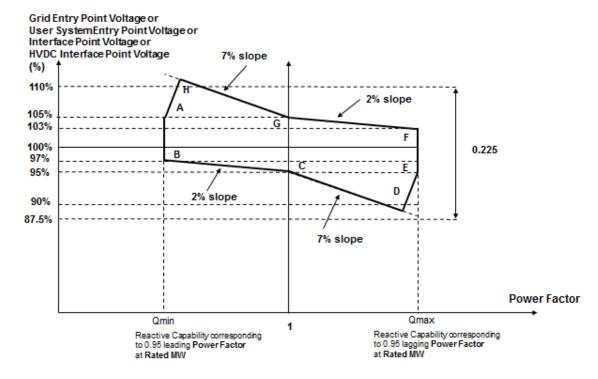


Figure ECC.A.7.2.2b

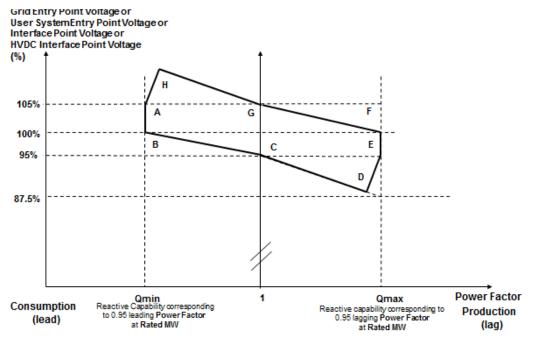


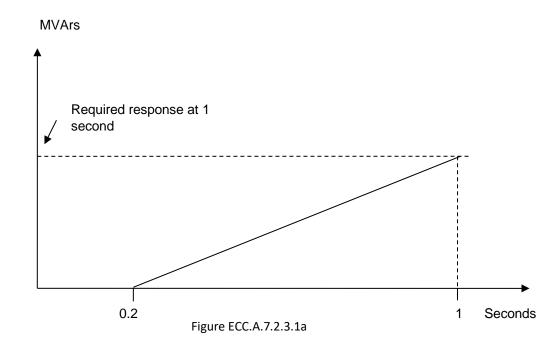
Figure ECC.A.7.2.2c

ECC.A.7.2.24 Figure ECC.A.7.2.2b shows the required envelope of operation for -, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, Onshore Power Park Modules and Onshore HVDC Converters except for those Embedded at 33kV and below or directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System at 33kV and below. Figure ECC.A.7.2.2c shows the required envelope of operation for Onshore Power Park Modules Embedded at 33kV and below, or directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System at 33kV and below. The enclosed area within points ABCDEFGH is the required capability range within which the Slope and Setpoint Voltage can be changed.

- ECC.A.7.2.2.5 Should the operating point of the, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module, or Onshore HVDC Converter deviate so that it is no longer a point on the operating characteristic (figure ECC.A.7.2.2a) defined by the target Setpoint Voltage and Slope, the continuously acting automatic voltage control system shall act progressively to return the value to a point on the required characteristic within 5 seconds.
- ECC.A.7.2.2.6 Should the Reactive Power output of the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore HVDC Converter reach its maximum lagging limit at a Onshore Grid Entry Point voltage (or Onshore User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded (or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) above 95%, the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module or HVDC System shall maintain maximum lagging Reactive Power output for voltage reductions down to 95%. This requirement is indicated by the line EF in figures ECC.A.7.2.2b and ECC.A.7.2.2c as applicable. Should the Reactive Power output of the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module, or Onshore HVDC Converter reach its maximum leading limit at a Onshore Grid Entry Point voltage (or Onshore User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) below 105%, the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module, or Onshore HVDC Converter shall maintain maximum leading Reactive Power output for voltage increases up to 105%. This requirement is indicated by the line AB in figures ECC.A.7.2.2b and ECC.A.7.2.2c as applicable.
- ECC.A.7.2.2.7 For Onshore Grid Entry Point voltages (or Onshore User System Entry Point voltages if Embedded-or Interface Point voltages) below 95%, the lagging Reactive Power capability of the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore HVDC Converters should be that which results from the supply of maximum lagging reactive current whilst ensuring the current remains within design operating limits. An example of the capability is shown by the line DE in figures ECC.A.7.2.2b and ECC.A.7.2.2c. For Onshore Grid Entry Point voltages (or User System Entry Point voltages if Embedded or Interface Point voltages) above 105%, the leading Reactive Power capability of the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore HVDC System Converter should be that which results from the supply of maximum leading reactive current whilst ensuring the current remains within design operating limits. An example of the capability is shown by the line AH in figures ECC.A.7.2.2b and ECC.A.7.2.2c as applicable. Should the Reactive Power output of the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore HVDC Converter reach its maximum lagging limit at an Onshore Grid Entry Connection Point voltage (or Onshore User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded or Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) below 95%, the Onshore Power Park Module, Onshore HVDC Converter shall maintain maximum lagging reactive current output for further voltage decreases. Should the Reactive Power output of the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore HVDC Converter reach its maximum leading limit at a Onshore Grid Entry Point voltage (or User System Entry Point voltage if Embedded or Interface Point voltage in the case of an OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus) above 105%, the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore HVDC Converter shall maintain maximum leading reactive current output for further voltage increases.
- ECC.A.7.2.2.8 All **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** must be capable of enabling **EU Code Users** undertaking **OTSDUW** to comply with an instruction received from **The Company** relating to a variation of the **Setpoint Voltage** at the **Interface Point** within 2 minutes of such instruction being received.
- ECC.A.7.2.2.9 For **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** connected to a **Network Operator's System** where the **Network Operator** has confirmed to **The Company** that its **System** is restricted in accordance with ECC.A.7.2.1, clause ECC.A.7.2.2.8 will not apply unless **The Company** can reasonably demonstrate that the magnitude of the available change in **Reactive Power** has a significant effect on voltage levels on the **Onshore National Electricity Transmission System**.

#### ECC.A.7.2.3 Transient Voltage Control

- ECC.A.7.2.3.1 For an on-load step change in **Onshore Grid Entry Point** or **Onshore User System Entry Point** voltage, or in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** an on-load step change in **Transmission Interface Point** voltage, the continuously acting automatic control system shall respond according to the following minimum criteria:
  - (i) the Reactive Power output response of the, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore HVDC Converter shall commence within 0.2 seconds of the application of the step. It shall progress linearly although variations from a linear characteristic shall be acceptable provided that the MVAr seconds delivered at any time up to 1 second are at least those that would result from the response shown in figure ECC.A.7.2.3.1a.
  - (ii) the response shall be such that 90% of the change in the Reactive Power output of the, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module, or Onshore HVDC Converter will be achieved within
    - 2 seconds, where the step is sufficiently large to require a change in the steady state **Reactive Power** output from its maximum leading value to its maximum lagging value or vice versa and
    - 1 second where the step is sufficiently large to require a change in the steady state **Reactive Power** output from zero to its maximum leading value or maximum lagging value as required by ECC.6.3.2 (or, if appropriate ECC.A.7.2.2.6 or ECC.A.7.2.2.7);
  - (iii) the magnitude of the **Reactive Power** output response produced within 1 second shall vary linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the step change.
  - (iv) within 5 seconds from achieving 90% of the response as defined in ECC.A.7.2.3.1 (ii), the peak to peak magnitude of any oscillations shall be less than 5% of the change in steady state maximum Reactive Power.
  - (v) following the transient response, the conditions of ECC.A.7.2.2 apply.



ECC.A.7.2.3.2 OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Modules or Onshore HVDC Converters shall be capable of

(a) changing its Reactive Power output from its maximum lagging value to its maximum

- leading value, or vice versa, then reverting back to the initial level of **Reactive Power** output once every 15 seconds for at least 5 times within any 5 minute period; and
- (b) changing its Reactive Power output from zero to its maximum leading value then reverting back to zero Reactive Power output at least 25 times within any 24 hour period and from zero to its maximum lagging value then reverting back to zero Reactive Power output at least 25 times within any 24 hour period. Any subsequent restriction on reactive capability shall be notified to The Company in accordance with BC2.5.3.2, and BC2.6.1.

In all cases, the response shall be in accordance to ECC.A.7.2.3.1 where the change in Reactive Power output is in response to an on-load step change in Onshore Grid Entry Point or Onshore User System Entry Point voltage, or in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus an on-load step change in Transmission Interface Point voltage.

#### ECC.A.7.2.4 Power Oscillation Damping

- ECC.A.7.2.4.1 The requirement for the continuously acting voltage control system to be fitted with a **Power System Stabiliser (PSS)** shall be specified if, in **The Company's** view, this is required for system reasons. However if a **Power System Stabiliser** is included in the voltage control system its settings and performance shall be agreed with **The Company** and commissioned in accordance with BC2.11.2. To allow assessment of the performance before on-load commissioning the **Generator** will provide to **The Company** a report covering the areas specified in ECP.A.3.2.2.
- ECC.A.7.2.5 Overall Voltage Control System Characteristics
- ECC.A.7.2.5.1 The continuously acting automatic voltage control system is required to respond to minor variations, steps, gradual changes or major variations in **Onshore Grid Entry Point** voltage (or **Onshore User System Entry Point** voltage if **Embedded** or **Interface Point** voltage in the case of **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus**).
- ECC.A.7.2.5.2 The overall voltage control system shall include elements that limit the bandwidth of the output signal. The bandwidth limiting must be consistent with the speed of response requirements and ensure that the highest frequency of response cannot excite torsional oscillations on other plant connected to the network. A bandwidth of 0-5Hz would be judged to be acceptable for this application. All other control systems employed within the OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore Power Park Module or Onshore HVDC Converter should also meet this requirement
- ECC.A.7.2.5.3 The response of the voltage control system (including the **Power System Stabiliser** if employed) shall be demonstrated by testing in accordance with ECP.A.6.
- ECC.A.7.3 Reactive Power Control
- As defined in ECC.6.3.8.3.4, **Reactive Power** control mode of operation is not required in respect of **Onshore Power Park Modules** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** or **Onshore HVDC Converters** unless otherwise specified by **The Company** in coordination with the relevant **Network Operator**. However where there is a requirement for **Reactive Power** control mode of operation, the following requirements shall apply.
- The Onshore Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore HVDC Converter shall be capable of setting the Reactive Power setpoint anywhere in the Reactive Power range as specified in ECC.6.3.2.4 with setting steps no greater than 5 MVAr or 5% (whichever is smaller) of full Reactive Power, controlling the reactive power at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point if Embedded to an accuracy within plus or minus 5MVAr or plus or minus 5% (whichever is smaller) of the full Reactive Power.
- Any additional requirements for **Reactive Power** control mode of operation shall be specified by **The Company** in coordination with the relevant **Network Operator**.

#### ECC.A.7.4 Power Factor Control

- As defined in ECC.6.3.8.4.3, **Power Factor** control mode of operation is not required in respect of **Onshore Power Park Modules** or **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** or **Onshore HVDC Converters** unless otherwise specified by **The Company** in coordination with the relevant **Network Operator**. However where there is a requirement for **Power Factor** control mode of operation, the following requirements shall apply.
- The Onshore Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore HVDC Converter shall be capable of controlling the Power Factor at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (if Embedded) within the required Reactive Power range as specified in ECC.6.3.2.2.1 and ECC.6.3.2.4 to a specified target Power Factor. The Company shall specify the target Power Factor value (which shall be achieved within 0.01 of the set Power Factor), its tolerance and the period of time to achieve the target Power Factor following a sudden change of Active Power output. The tolerance of the target Power Factor shall be expressed through the tolerance of its corresponding Reactive Power. This Reactive Power tolerance shall be expressed by either an absolute value or by a percentage of the maximum Reactive Power of the Onshore Power Park Module or OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Onshore HVDC Converter. The details of these requirements being pursuant to the terms of the Bilateral Agreement.
- ECC.A.7.4.3 Any additional requirements for **Power Factor** control mode of operation shall be specified by **The Company** in coordination with the relevant **Network Operator**.

# APPENDIX E8 - PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINUOUSLY ACTING AUTOMATIC VOLTAGE CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR CONFIGURATION 2 AC CONNECTED OFFSHORE POWER PARK MODULES AND CONFIGURATION 2 DC CONNECTED POWER PARK MODULES

#### ECC.A.8.1 Scope

- ECC.A.8.1.1 This Appendix sets out the performance requirements of continuously acting automatic voltage control systems for Configuration 2 AC Connected Offshore Power Park Modules and Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules that must be complied with by the EU Code User. This Appendix does not limit any site specific requirements that may be specified where in The Company's reasonable opinion these facilities are necessary for system reasons.
- ECC.A.8.1.2 These requirements also apply to Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules. In the case of a Configuration 1 DC Connected Power Park Module the technical performance requirements shall be specified by The Company. Where the EU Generator in respect of a DC Connected Power Park Module has agreed to a wider reactive capability range as defined under ECC.6.3.2.5 and ECC.6.2.3.6 then the requirements that apply will be specified by The Company and which shall reflect the performance requirements detailed in ECC.A.8.2 below but with different parameters such as droop and Setpoint Voltage.
- ECC.A.8.1.3 Proposals by **EU Generators** to make a change to the voltage control systems are required to be notified to **The Company** under the **Planning Code** (PC.A.1.2(b) and (c)) as soon as the **Generator** anticipates making the change. The change may require a revision to the **Bilateral Agreement**.

#### ECC.A.8.2 Requirements

ECC.A.8.2.1 The Company requires that the continuously acting automatic voltage control system for the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module and Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module shall meet the following functional performance specification.

#### ECC.A.8.2.2 Steady State Voltage Control

ECC.A.8.2.2.1 The Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module and Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module shall provide continuous steady state control of the voltage at the Offshore Connection Point with a Setpoint Voltage and Slope characteristic as illustrated in Figure ECC.A.8.2.2a.

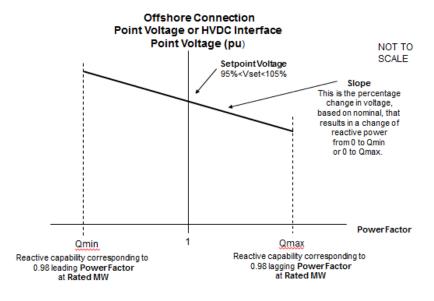


Figure ECC.A.8.2.2a

- ECC.A.8.2.2.2 The continuously acting automatic control system shall be capable of operating to a **Setpoint Voltage** between 95% and 105% with a resolution of 0.25% of the nominal voltage. For the avoidance of doubt values of 95%, 95.25%, 95.5% ... may be specified, but not intermediate values. The initial **Setpoint Voltage** will be 100%. The tolerance within which this **Setpoint Voltage** shall be achieved is specified in BC2.A.2.6. For the avoidance of doubt, with a tolerance of 0.25% and a Setpoint Voltage of 100%, the achieved value shall be between 99.75% and 100.25%. **The Company** may request the **EU Generator** to implement an alternative **Setpoint Voltage** within the range of 95% to 105%.
- ECC.A.8.2.2.3 The **Slope** characteristic of the continuously acting automatic control system shall be adjustable over the range 2% to 7% (with a resolution of 0.5%). For the avoidance of doubt values of 2%, 2.5%, 3% may be specified, but not intermediate values. The initial **Slope** setting will be 4%. The tolerance within which this **Slope** shall be achieved is specified in BC2.A.2.6. For the avoidance of doubt, with a tolerance of 0.5% and a **Slope** setting of 4%, the achieved value shall be between 3.5% and 4.5%. **The Company** may request the **EU Generator** to implement an alternative slope setting within the range of 2% to 7%.

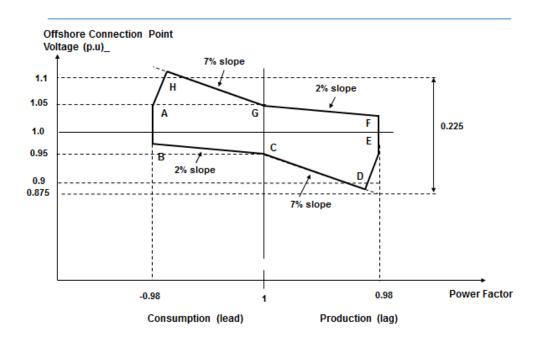


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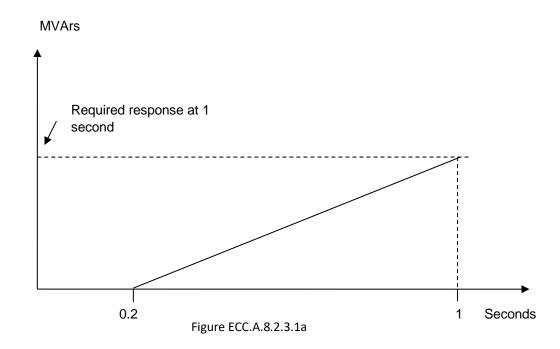
- ECC.A.8.2.2.4 Figure ECC.A.8.2.2b shows the required envelope of operation for **Configuration 2 AC**connected Offshore Power Park Module and Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park
  Module. The enclosed area within points ABCDEFGH is the required capability range within which the **Slope** and **Setpoint Voltage** can be changed.
- ECC.A.8.2.2.5 Should the operating point of the **Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module** deviate so that it is no longer a point on the operating characteristic (Figure ECC.A.8.2.2a) defined by the target **Setpoint Voltage** and **Slope**, the continuously acting automatic voltage control system shall act progressively to return the value to a point on the required characteristic within 5 seconds.

- ECC.A.8.2.2.6 Should the Reactive Power output of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module reach its maximum lagging limit at an Offshore Grid Entry Point or Offshore User System Entry Point or HVDC Interface Point voltage above 95%, the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module shall maintain maximum lagging Reactive Power output for voltage reductions down to 95%. This requirement is indicated by the line EF in figure ECC.A.8.2.2b. Should the Reactive Power output of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module reach its maximum leading limit at the Offshore Grid Entry Point or Offshore User System Entry Point or HVDC Interface Point voltage below 105%, the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module shall maintain maximum leading Reactive Power output for voltage increases up to 105%. This requirement is indicated by the line AB in figures ECC.A.8.2.2b.
- ECC.A.8.2.2.7 For Offshore Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point or HVDC Interface Point voltages below 95%, the lagging Reactive Power capability of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module should be that which results from the supply of maximum lagging reactive current whilst ensuring the current remains within design operating limits. An example of the capability is shown by the line DE in figures ECC.A.8.2.2b. For Offshore Grid Entry Point or Offshore User System Entry Point voltages or HVDC Interface Point voltages above 105%, the leading Reactive Power capability of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module should be that which results from the supply of maximum leading reactive current whilst ensuring the current remains within design operating limits. An example of the capability is shown by the line AH in figures ECC.A.8.2.2b. Should the Reactive Power output of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module reach its maximum lagging limit at an Offshore Grid Entry Point or Offshore User System Entry voltage or HVDC Interface Point voltage below 95%, the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module shall maintain maximum lagging reactive current output for further voltage decreases. Should the Reactive Power output of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module reach its maximum leading limit at an Offshore Grid Entry Point or Offshore User System Entry voltage or HVDC Interface Point voltage above 105%, the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module shall maintain maximum leading reactive current output for further voltage increases.

#### ECC.A.8.2.3 Transient Voltage Control

- ECC.A.8.2.3.1 For an on-load step change in **Offshore Grid Entry Point** or **Offshore User System Entry Point** voltage or **HVDC Interface Point** voltage, the continuously acting automatic control system shall respond according to the following minimum criteria:
  - (i) the Reactive Power output response of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module shall commence within 0.2 seconds of the application of the step. It shall progress linearly although variations from a linear characteristic shall be acceptable provided that the MVAr seconds delivered at any time up to 1 second are at least those that would result from the response shown in figure ECC.A.8.2.3.1a.
  - (ii) the response shall be such that 90% of the change in the Reactive Power output of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module will be achieved within
    - 2 seconds, where the step is sufficiently large to require a change in the steady state **Reactive Power** output from its maximum leading value to its maximum lagging value or vice versa and

- 1 second where the step is sufficiently large to require a change in the steady state Reactive Power output from zero to its maximum leading value or maximum lagging value as required by ECC.6.3.2 (or, if appropriate ECC.A.8.2.2.6 or ECC.A.8.2.2.7);
- (iii) the magnitude of the **Reactive Power** output response produced within 1 second shall vary linearly in proportion to the magnitude of the step change.
- (iv) within 5 seconds from achieving 90% of the response as defined in ECC.A.8.2.3.1 (ii), the peak to peak magnitude of any oscillations shall be less than 5% of the change in steady state maximum Reactive Power.
- (v) following the transient response, the conditions of ECC.A.8.2.2 apply.



ECC.A.8.2.3.2 Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module shall be capable of

- (a) changing their Reactive Power output from maximum lagging value to maximum leading value, or vice versa, then reverting back to the initial level of Reactive Power output once every 15 seconds for at least 5 times within any 5 minute period; and
- (b) changing Reactive Power output from zero to maximum leading value then reverting back to zero Reactive Power output at least 25 times within any 24 hour period and from zero to its maximum lagging value then reverting back to zero Reactive Power output at least 25 times within any 24 hour period. Any subsequent restriction on reactive capability shall be notified to The Company in accordance with BC2.5.3.2, and BC2.6.1.

In all cases, the response shall be in accordance to ECC.A.8.2.3.1 where the change in **Reactive Power** output is in response to an on-load step change in **Offshore Grid Entry Point** or **Offshore User System Entry Point** voltage or **HVDC Interface Point** voltage.

#### ECC.A.8.2.4 Power Oscillation Damping

- ECC.A.8.2.4.1 The requirement for the continuously acting voltage control system to be fitted with a **Power System Stabiliser (PSS)** shall be specified if, in **The Company's** view, this is required for system reasons. However if a **Power System Stabiliser** is included in the voltage control system its settings and performance shall be agreed with **The Company** and commissioned in accordance with BC2.11.2. To allow assessment of the performance before on-load commissioning the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** will provide to **The Company** a report covering the areas specified in ECP.A.3.2.2.
- ECC.A.8.2.5 Overall Voltage Control System Characteristics
- ECC.A.8.2.5.1 The continuously acting automatic voltage control system is required to respond to minor variations, steps, gradual changes or major variations in **Offshore Grid Entry Point** or **Offshore User System Entry Point** or **HVDC Interface Point** voltage.
- ECC.A.8.2.5.2 The overall voltage control system shall include elements that limit the bandwidth of the output signal. The bandwidth limiting must be consistent with the speed of response requirements and ensure that the highest frequency of response cannot excite torsional oscillations on other plant connected to the network. A bandwidth of 0-5Hz would be judged to be acceptable for this application. All other control systems employed within the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module should also meet this requirement
- ECC.A.8.2.5.3 The response of the voltage control system (including the **Power System Stabiliser** if employed) shall be demonstrated by testing in accordance with ECP.A.6.
- ECC.A.8.3 Reactive Power Control
- Reactive Power control mode of operation is not required in respect of Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Modules or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules unless otherwise specified by The Company. However where there is a requirement for Reactive Power control mode of operation, the following requirements shall apply.
- Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Modules or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of setting the Reactive Power setpoint anywhere in the Reactive Power range as specified in ECC.6.3.2.8.2 with setting steps no greater than 5 MVAr or 5% (whichever is smaller) of full Reactive Power, controlling the Reactive Power at the Offshore Grid Entry Point or Offshore User System Entry Point or HVDC Interface Point to an accuracy within plus or minus 5MVAr or plus or minus 5% (whichever is smaller) of the full Reactive Power.
- ECC.A.8.3.3 Any additional requirements for **Reactive Power** control mode of operation shall be specified by **The Company**.
- ECC.A.8.4 <u>Power Factor Control</u>
- Power Factor control mode of operation is not required in respect of Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Modules or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules unless otherwise specified by The Company. However where there is a requirement for Power Factor control mode of operation, the following requirements shall apply.
- Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Modules or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Modules shall be capable of controlling the Power Factor at the Offshore Grid Entry Point or Offshore User System Entry Point or HVDC Interface Point within the required Reactive Power range as specified in ECC.6.3.2.8.2 with a target Power Factor. The Company shall specify the target Power Factor (which shall be achieved to within 0.01 of the set Power Factor), its tolerance and the period of time to achieve the target

Power Factor following a sudden change of Active Power output. The tolerance of the target Power Factor shall be expressed through the tolerance of its corresponding Reactive Power. This Reactive Power tolerance shall be expressed by either an absolute value or by a percentage of the maximum Reactive Power of the Configuration 2 AC connected Offshore Power Park Module or Configuration 2 DC Connected Power Park Module. The details of these requirements being specified by The Company.

ECC.A.8.4.3 Any additional requirements for **Power Factor** control mode of operation shall be specified by **The Company**.

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### **COMPLIANCE PROCESSES**

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#### CP.1 INTRODUCTION

#### CP.1.1 The **Compliance Processes** ("**CP**") specifies:

the process (leading to an **Energisation Operational Notification**) which must be followed by **The Company** and any **GB Code User** to demonstrate its compliance with the Grid Code in relation to its **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA**) prior to the relevant **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including any **OTSUA**) being energised.

the process (leading to an Interim Operational Notification and Final Operational Notification) which must be followed by The Company and any Generator or DC Converter Station owner to demonstrate its compliance with the Grid Code in relation to its Plant and Apparatus (including any dynamically controlled OTSUA). This process shall be followed prior to and during the course of the relevant Plant and Apparatus (including OTSUA) being energised and Synchronised.

the process (leading to a Limited Operational Notification) which must be followed by The Company and each Generator and DC Converter Station owner where any of its Plant and/or Apparatus (including any OTSUA) becomes unable to comply with relevant provisions of the Grid Code, and where applicable with Appendices F1 to F5 (and in the case of OTSUA, Appendices OF1 to OF5 of the Bilateral Agreement). This process also includes when changes or Modifications are made to Plant and/or Apparatus (including OTSUA). This process applies to such Plant and/or Apparatus after the Plant and/or Apparatus has become Operational and until Disconnected from the Total System, (or until, in the case of OTSUA, the OTSUA Transfer Time), when changes or Modifications are made.

- CP.1.2 As used in this **CP**, references to **OTSUA** means **OTSUA** to be connected or connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**.
- CP1.3 Where the **Generator** or **DC Convertor Station Owner** and/or **The Company** are required to apply for a derogation from the **Authority**, this is not in respect of the **OTSUA**.

#### CP.2 OBJECTIVE

- CP.2.1 The objective of the **CP** is to ensure that there is a clear and consistent process for demonstration of compliance by **GB Code Users** with the **Connection Conditions** and **Bilateral Agreement** which are similar for all **GB Code Users** of an equivalent category and will enable **The Company** to comply with its statutory and **ESO Licence** obligations.
- CP.2.2 Provisions of the **CP** which apply in relation to **OTSDUW** and **OTSUA** shall (in any particular case) apply up to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, whereupon such provisions shall (without prejudice to any prior non-compliance) cease to apply.
- CP.2.3 In relation to **OTSDUW**, provisions otherwise to be contained in a **Bilateral Agreement** may be contained in the **Construction Agreement**, and accordingly a reference in the **CP** to a relevant **Bilateral Agreement** includes the relevant **Construction Agreement**.

#### CP.3 SCOPE

- CP.3.1 The CP applies to The Company and to GB Code Users, which in the CP means:
  - (a) GB Generators (other than in relation to Embedded Small Power Stations or Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement) including those undertaking OTSDUW.
  - (b) Network Operators;
  - (c) Non-Embedded Customers;
  - (d) **DC Converter Station** owners (other than those which only have **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**).

- CP.3.2 The above categories of **GB Code User** will become bound by the **CP** prior to them generating, distributing, supplying or consuming, or in the case of **OTSUA**, transmitting, as the case may be, and references to the various categories should, therefore, be taken as referring to them in that prospective role as well as to **Users** actually connected.
- CP3.3 This **CP** does not apply to **EU Code Users** for whom the requirements of the **ECP** applies.
- CP.3.4 This CP does not apply to GB Generators in respect of Embedded Small Power Stations which have a Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement with The Company. The Company will however need to ensure that GB Generators in respect of Embedded Small Power Stations which have a Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement and a Completion Date on or after 05-09-2024, are capable of meeting the requirements of CC.6.5, CC.7.9, CC.7.10 and CC.7.11 of the Grid Code and the requirements of the Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement. The Company shall notify such GB Generators of their compliance with these requirements through the issue of a GB Code User Interim-Balancing Compliance Notification with full compliance being confirmed by The Company through the issue of a GB Code User Final-Balancing Compliance Notification.

#### CP.4 CONNECTION PROCESS

- The CUSC Contract(s) contain certain provisions relating to the procedure for connection to the National Electricity Transmission System or, in the case of Embedded Power Stations or Embedded DC Converter Stations, becoming operational and include provisions to be complied with by GB Code Users prior to and during the course of The Company notifying the User that it has the right to become operational. In addition to such provisions, this CP sets out in further detail the processes to be followed to demonstrate compliance. Whilst this CP does not expressly address the processes to be followed in the case of OTSUA connecting to a Network Operator's User System prior to the OTSUA Transfer Time, the processes to be followed by The Company and the Generator in respect of OTSUA in such circumstances shall be consistent with those set out below by reference OTSUA directly connected to the National Electricity Transmission System.
- CP.4.2 The provisions contained in CP.5 to CP.7 detail the process to be followed in order for the **GB Code User's Plant** and **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA**) to become operational. This process includes **EON** (energisation) **ION** (interim synchronising) and **FON** (final).
- CP.4.2.1 The provisions contained in CP.5 relate to the connection and energisation of **User's Plant** and **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA**) to the **National Electricity Transmission System** or where **Embedded**, to a **User's System** and is shown diagrammatically at CP.A.1.1.
- CP.4.2.2 The provisions contained in CP.6 and CP.7 provide the process for **Generators** and **DC**Converter Station owners to demonstrate compliance with the Grid Code and with, where applicable, the CUSC Contract(s) prior to and during the course of such **Generator's** or **DC**Converter Station owner's Plant and Apparatus (including OTSUA up to the OTSUA Transfer Time) becoming operational and is shown diagrammatically at CP.A.1.2 and CP.A.1.3.
- CP.4.2.3 The provisions in CP.8 detail the process to be followed to confirm continued compliance (the Compliance Repeat Plan).
- CP.4.2.4 The provisions contained in CP.9 detail the process to be followed when:
  - (a) a Generator or DC Converter Station owner's Plant and/or Apparatus (including the OTSUA) is unable to comply with any provisions of the Grid Code and Bilateral Agreement; or,
  - (b) following any notification by a **Generator** or a **DC Converter Station** owner under the **PC** of any change to its **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including any **OTSUA**); or,
  - (c) a **Modification** to a **Generator** or a **DC Converter Station** owner's **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**.

The process is shown diagrammatically at Appendix CP.A.1.4 for condition (a) and Appendix CP.A.1.5 for conditions (b) and (c)

- CP.4.3 <u>Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded DC</u>
  Converter Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement
- CP.4.3.1 For the avoidance of doubt, the process in this **CP** does not apply to **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**.

#### CP.5 <u>ENERGISATION OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION</u>

- CP.5.1 The following provisions apply in relation to the issue of an **Energisation Operational Notification**.
- CP.5.1.1 Certain provisions relating to the connection and energisation of the GB Code User's Plant and Apparatus at the Connection Site and OTSUA at the Transmission Interface Point and in certain cases of Embedded Plant and Apparatus are specified in the CUSC and/or CUSC Contract(s). For other Embedded Plant and Apparatus, the Distribution Code, the DCUSA and the Embedded Development Agreement for the connection specify equivalent provisions. Further detail on this is set out in CP.5 below.
- CP.5.2 The items for submission prior to the issue of an **Energisation Operational Notification** are set out in CC.5.2
- CP.5.3 In the case of a **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner, the items referred to in CC.5.2 shall be submitted using the **User Data File Structure**.
- CP.5.4 Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **GB Code User** wishing to energise its **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including passive **OTSUA**) for the first time, the **GB Code User** will submit to **The Company**, a Certificate of Readiness to Energise **High Voltage** Equipment which specifies the items of **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA**) ready to be energised in a form acceptable to **The Company**.
- CP.5.5 If the relevant obligations under the provisions of the CUSC and/or CUSC Contract(s) and the conditions of CP.5 have been completed to The Company's reasonable satisfaction, then The Company shall issue an Energisation Operational Notification. Any dynamically controlled reactive compensation OTSUA (including Statcoms or Static Var Compensators) shall not be Energised until the appropriate Interim Operational Notification has been issued in accordance with CP.6.

#### CP.6 <u>INTERIM OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION</u>

- CP.6.1 The following provisions apply in relation to the issue of an **Interim Operational Notification**.
- CP.6.2 Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner wishing to **Synchronise** its **Plant** and **Apparatus** or dynamically controlled **OTSUA** for the first time, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner will:
  - (i) submit to The Company, a Notification of User's Intention to Synchronise; and
  - (iI) submit to **The Company** the items referred to at CP.6.3.
- CP.6.3 Items for submission prior to issue of the **Interim Operational Notification**.
- CP.6.3.1 Prior to the issue of an **Interim Operational Notification** in respect of the **GB Code User's Plant** and **Apparatus** or dynamically controlled **OTSUA**.

the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner must submit to **The Company** to **The Company's** satisfaction:

(a) updated **Planning Code** data (both **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data**), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for **Forecast Data** items such as **Demand**;

- (b) details of any special Power Station, Generating Unit(s), Power Park Module(s) or DC Converter Station(s) protection as applicable. This may include Pole Slipping protection and islanding protection schemes;
- (c) any items required by CP.5.2, updated by the **GB Code User** as necessary;
- (d) simulation study provisions of Appendix CP.A.3 and the results demonstrating compliance with Grid Code requirements of:

PC.A.5.4.2

PC.A.5.4.3.2,

CC.6.3.4,

CC.6.3.7(c)(i),

CC.6.3.15,

CC.A.6.2.5.6,

CC.A.7.2.3.1,

as applicable to the **Power Station**, **Generating Unit(s)**, **Power Park Module(s)** or **DC Converter(s)** or dynamically controlled **OTSUA** unless agreed otherwise by **The Company**;

- (e) a detailed schedule of the tests and the procedures for the tests required to be carried out by the Generator or DC Converter Station owner under CP.7.2 to demonstrate compliance with relevant Grid Code requirements. Such schedule to be consistent with Appendix OC5.A.2 (in the case of Generating Units other than Power Park Modules) or Appendix OC5.A.3 (in the case of Generating Units comprising Power Park Modules) and OTSUA as applicable); and
- (f) an interim Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance completed by the GB Code User (including any Unresolved Issues) against the relevant Grid Code requirements including details of any requirements that the Generator or DC Converter Station owner has identified that will not or may not be met or demonstrated.
- CP.6.3.2 The items referred to in CP.6.3 shall be submitted by the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner using the **User Data File Structure**.
- CP.6.4 No Generating Unit, CCGT Module, Power Park Module or DC Converter or dynamically controlled OTSUA shall be Synchronised to the Total System (and for the avoidance of doubt, dynamically controlled OTSUA will not be able to transmit), until the later of:
  - (a) the date specified by The Company in the Interim Operational Notification issued in respect of the Generating Unit(s), CCGT Module(s), Power Park Module(s) or DC Converter(s) or dynamically controlled OTSUA; and,
  - (b) if Embedded, the date of receipt of a confirmation from the Network Operator in whose System the Plant and Apparatus is connected that it is acceptable to the Network Operator that the Plant and Apparatus be connected and Synchronised; and,
  - (c) in the case of Synchronous Generating Unit(s) only after the date of receipt by a Generator of written confirmation from The Company that the Generating Unit or CCGT Module as applicable, has completed the following tests to demonstrate compliance with the relevant provisions of the Connection Conditions to The Company's satisfaction:
    - (i) those tests required to establish the open and short circuit saturation characteristics of the **Generating Unit** (as detailed in Appendix OC5.A.2.3) to enable assessment of the short circuit ratio in accordance with CC.6.3.2. Such tests may be carried out at a location other than the **Power Station** site; and
    - (ii) open circuit step response tests (as detailed in Appendix OC5.A.2.2) to demonstrate compliance with CC.A.6.2.4.1.

- CP.6.5 The Company shall assess the schedule of tests submitted by the Generator or DC Converter Station owner with the Notification of User's Intention to Synchronise under CP.6.1 and shall determine whether such schedule has been completed to The Company's satisfaction.
- CP.6.6 When the requirements of CP.6.2 to CP.6.5 have been met, **The Company** will notify the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner that the:

Generating Unit,

**CCGT Module**,

Power Park Module,

Dynamically controlled OTSUA or

DC Converter,

as applicable may (subject to the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner having fulfilled the requirements of CP.6.3 where that applies) be **Synchronised** to the **Total System** through the issue of an **Interim Operational Notification**. Where the **Generator** is undertaking **OTSDUW**, then the **Interim Operational Notification** will be in two parts, with the "**Interim Operational Notification Part A**" applicable to the **OTSUA** and the "**Interim Operational Notification Part B**" applicable to the **GB Code Users Plant and Apparatus**. For the avoidance of doubt, the **Interim Operational Notification Part B** can be issued together or at different times. In respect of an **Embedded Power Station** or **Embedded DC Converter Station** (other than **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not **Interim Operational Notification** has been issued.

- CP.6.6.1 The Interim Operational Notification will be time limited, the expiration date being specified at the time of issue. The Interim Operational Notification may be renewed by The Company.
- CP.6.6.2 The Generator or DC Converter Station owner must operate the Generating Unit, CCGT Module, Power Park Module, OTSUA or DC Converter in accordance with the terms, arising from the Unresolved Issues, of the Interim Operational Notification. Where practicable, The Company will discuss such terms with the Generator or DC Converter Station owner prior to including them in the Interim Operational Notification.
- CP.6.6.3 The **Interim Operational Notification** will include the following limitations:
  - (a) In the case of OTSUA, the Interim Operational Notification Part A permits Synchronisation of the dynamically controlled OTSUA to the Total System only for the purposes of active control of voltage and Reactive Power and not for the purpose of exporting Active Power.
  - (b) In the case of a Power Park Module, the Interim Operational Notification (and where OTSDUW Arrangements apply, this reference will be to the Interim Operational Notification Part B) will limit the proportion of the Power Park Module which can be simultaneously Synchronised to the Total System such that neither of the following figures are exceeded:
    - 20% of the Registered Capacity of the Power Park Module (or the output of a single Power Park Unit, where this exceeds 20% of the Power Station's Registered Capacity); nor
    - (ii) 50MW

until the **Generator** has completed the voltage control tests (detailed in OC5.A.3.2) (including in respect of any dynamically controlled **OTSUA**) to **The Company's** reasonable satisfaction. Following successful completion of this test, each additional **Power Park Unit** should be included in the voltage control scheme as soon as is technically possible (unless **The Company** agrees otherwise).

- (b) In the case of a Power Park Module with a Registered Capacity greater or equal to 100MW, the Interim Operational Notification (and where OTSDUW Arrangements apply, this reference will be to the Interim Operational Notification Part B) will limit the proportion of the Power Park Module which can be simultaneously Synchronised to the Total System to 70% of Registered Capacity until the Generator has completed the Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode control tests with at least 50% of the Registered Capacity of the Power Park Module in service (detailed in OC5.A.3.3) to The Company's reasonable satisfaction.
- (c) In the case of a Synchronous Generating Unit, employing a static Excitation System the Interim Operational Notification (and where OTSDUW Arrangements apply, this reference will be to the Interim Operational Notification Part B) may if applicable limit the maximum Active Power output and reactive power output of the Synchronous Generating Unit or CCGT module prior to the successful commissioning of the Power System Stabiliser to The Company's satisfaction.
- CP.6.6.4 When a **GB Code User** and **The Company** are acting/operating in accordance with the provisions of an **Interim Operational Notification**, whilst it is in force, the relevant provisions of the Grid Code to which that **Interim Operational Notification** relates will not apply to the **GB Code User** or **The Company** to the extent and for the period set out in the **Interim Operational Notification**.
- CP.6.7 Other than **Unresolved Issues** that are subject to tests required under CP.7.2 to be witnessed by **The Company**, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner must resolve any **Unresolved Issues** prior to the commencement of the tests, unless **The Company** agrees to a later resolution. The **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner must liaise with **The Company** in respect of such resolution. The tests that may be witnessed by **The Company** are specified in CP.7.2.
- CP.6.8 Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner wishing to commence tests required under CP.7 to be witnessed by **The Company**, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner will notify **The Company** that the **Generating Unit(s)**, **CCGT Module(s)**, **Power Park Module(s)** or **DC Converter(s)** as applicable, is ready to commence such tests.
- CP.6.9 The items referred to at CP.7.3 shall be submitted by the **Generator** or the **DC Converter Station** owner after successful completion of the tests required under CP.7.2.
- CP.7. <u>FINAL OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION</u>
- CP.7.1 The following provisions apply in relation to the issue of a **Final Operational Notification**.
- CP.7.2 Tests to be carried out prior to issue of the **Final Operational Notification**
- CP.7.2.1 Prior to the issue of a **Final Operational Notification**, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner must have completed the tests specified in this CP.7.2.2 to **The Company's** satisfaction to demonstrate compliance with the relevant Grid Code provisions.
- CP.7.2.2 In the case of any **Generating Unit**, **CCGT Module**, **Power Park Module**, **OTSUA** (if applicable) and **DC Converter** these tests will comprise one or more of the following:
  - (a) reactive capability tests to demonstrate that the Generating Unit, CCGT Module, Power Park Module, OTSUA (if applicable) and DC Converter can meet the requirements of CC.6.3.2. These may be witnessed by The Company on site if there is no metering to The Company Control Centre.

- (b) voltage control system tests to demonstrate that the Generating Unit, CCGT Module, Power Park Module, OTSUA (if applicable) and DC Converter can meet the requirements of CC.6.3.6, CC.6.3.8 and, in the case of a Power Park Module, OTSUA (if applicable) and DC Converter, the requirements of CC.A.7 and, in the case of a Generating Unit and/or CCGT Module, the requirements of CC.A.6, and any terms specified in the Bilateral Agreement as applicable. These tests may also be used to validate the Excitation System model (PC.A.5.3) or voltage control system model (PC.A.5.4) as applicable. These tests may be witnessed by The Company.
- (c) governor or frequency control system tests to demonstrate that the Generating Unit, CCGT Module, OTSUA (if applicable) and Power Park Module can meet the requirements of CC.6.3.6, CC.6.3.7, where applicable CC.A.3, and BC.3.7. The results will also validate the Mandatory Service Agreement required by CC.8.1. These tests may also be used to validate the Governor model (PC.A.5.3) or frequency control system model (PC.A.5.4) as applicable. These tests may be witnessed by The Company.
- (d) fault ride through tests in respect of a Power Station with a Registered Capacity of 100MW or greater, comprised of one or more Power Park Modules, to demonstrate compliance with CC.6.3.15 (a), (b) and (c), CC.A.4.1, CC.A.4.2 and CC.A.4.3. Where test results from a Manufacturers Data & Performance Report as defined in CP.11 have been accepted this test will not be required.
- (e) any further tests reasonably required by The Company, and agreed with the GB Code User to demonstrate any aspects of compliance with the Grid Code and the CUSC Contract.
- The Company's preferred range of tests to demonstrate compliance with the CC are specified in Appendix OC5.A.2 (in the case of Generating Units other than Power Park Modules) or Appendix OC5.A.3 (in the case of Generating Units comprising Power Park Modules or OTSUA if applicable) or Appendix OC5.A.4 (in the case of DC Converters) and are to be carried out by the GB Code User with the results of each test provided to The Company. The GB Code User may carry out an alternative range of tests if this is agreed with The Company. The Company may agree a reduced set of tests where there is a relevant Manufacturers Data & Performance Report as detailed in CP.11.
- CP.7.2.4 In the case of **Offshore Power Park Modules** which do not contribute to **Offshore Transmission Licensee Reactive Power** capability as described in CC.6.3.2(e)(i) or CC.6.3.2(e)(ii) or Voltage Control as described in CC.6.3.8(b)(i), the tests outlined in CP.7.2.2 (a) and CP.7.2.2 (b) are not required. However, the offshore **Reactive Power** transfer tests outlined in OC5.A.2.8 shall be completed in their place.
- CP.7.2.5 Following completion of each of the tests specified in this CP.7.2, **The Company** will notify the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner whether, in the opinion of **The Company**, the results demonstrate compliance with the relevant Grid Code conditions.
- CP.7.2.6 The **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner is responsible for carrying out the tests and retains the responsibility for safety and personnel during the test.
- CP.7.3 Items for submission prior to issue of the Final Operational Notification
- CP.7.3.1 Prior to the issue of a **Final Operational Notification**, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner must submit to **The Company** to **The Company's** satisfaction:
  - updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with validated actual values and updated estimates for the future including Forecast Data items such as Demand;
  - (b) any items required by CP.5.2 and CP.6.3, updated by the **GB Code User** as necessary;
  - (c) evidence to The Company's satisfaction that demonstrates that the controller models and/or parameters (as required under PC.A.5.3.2(c) option 2, PC.A.5.3.2(d) option 2, PC.A.5.4.2, and/or PC.A.5.4.3.2) supplied to The Company provide a reasonable representation of the behaviour of the GB Code User's Plant and Apparatus and OTSUA if applicable;

- results from the tests required in accordance with CP.7.2 carried out by the Generator to demonstrate compliance with relevant Grid Code requirements including the tests witnessed by The Company; and
- (e) the final Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance signed by the GB Code User and a statement of any requirements that the Generator or DC Converter Station owner has identified that have not been met together with a copy of the derogation in respect of the same from the Authority.
- CP.7.3.2 The items in CP.7.3 should be submitted by the **Generator** (including in respect of any **OTSUA** if applicable) or **DC Converter Station** owner using the **User Data File Structure**.
- CP.7.4 If the requirements of CP.7.2 and CP.7.3 have been successfully met, The Company will notify the Generator or DC Converter Station owner that compliance with the relevant Grid Code provisions has been demonstrated for the Generating Unit(s), CCGT Module(s), Power Park Module(s), OTSUA, if applicable or DC Converter(s) as applicable through the issue of a Final Operational Notification. In respect of an Embedded Power Station or Embedded DC Converter Station other than Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded DC Converter Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement, The Company will notify the Network Operator that a Final Operational Notification has been issued, subject to the requirement to confirm continued compliance as per CP.8.2 as part of the Compliance Repeat Plan.
- CP.7.5 If a **Final Operational Notification** cannot be issued because the requirements of CP.7.2 and CP.7.3 have not been successfully met prior to the expiry of an **Interim Operational Notification**, then the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner (where licensed in respect of its activities) and/or **The Company**, shall apply to the **Authority** for a derogation. The provisions of CP.10 shall then apply.

## CP.8 COMPLIANCE REPEAT PLAN

- CP.8.1 No later than 4 calendar years and 6 months after the issue of a **Final Operational Notification**, **The Company** will notify the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner that confirmation of continued compliance with the requirements of the Grid Code and/or the **Bilateral Agreement** is required.
- CP.8.2 No later than 5 calendar years after the issue of a **Final Operational Notification** the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner shall confirm that the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA** if applicable) is fully compliant with the requirements of the Grid Code and/or the **Bilateral Agreement**. The confirmation of compliance will include:
  - (a) a Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance signed by the GB Code User and a statement of any requirements that the Generator or DC Converter Station owner has identified that have not been met together with a copy of the derogation in respect of the same from the Authority.
  - (b) complete set of relevant Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with validated actual values and updated estimates for the future including Forecast Data items such as Demand. Simulation studies and results from tests detailed in Appendix CP.A.3 and OC5 are not required as part of the Compliance Repeat Plan.
  - (c) an updated list of contact details for outage and network planning, which shall be updated by the **GB Code User** as needed; and
  - (d) an updated list of email and telephone contact details for the User Site, which shall be updated by the GB Code User as needed. The persons specified in the contact details should be able to assist in the sharing of dynamic system behaviour monitoring data as well as supporting any post-Event investigations.

For the avoidance of doubt the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner is responsible for ensuring that **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA** if applicable) remains compliant with the relevant clauses of the Grid Code and/or the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or changes to connection site conditions notified by **The Company**.

- CP.8.3 If the requirements of CP.8.2 have been completed to **The Company's** satisfaction, **The Company** will notify the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner that compliance with the relevant Grid Code provisions has been demonstrated for the **Generating Unit(s)**, **CCGT Module(s)**, **Power Park Module(s)**, **OTSUA**, if applicable or **DC Converter(s)** as applicable through the issue of a **Final Operational Notification** subject to Compliance Repeat Plan (CP.8) no later than 5 years from the date of issue. In respect of an **Embedded Power Station** or **Embedded DC Converter Station** other than **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**, **The Company** will notify the **Network Operator** that a **Final Operational Notification** has been issued.
- CP.8.4 If a **Final Operational Notification** cannot be issued because the requirements of CP.8.2 have not been successfully met prior to the date 5 years from the date of issue of the **Final Operational Notification**, then **The Company** will issue the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner (where licensed in respect of its activities) a **Limited Operational Notification** with respect to the **Unresolved Issues**. The provisions of CP.9 shall then apply.

## CP.9 <u>LIMITED OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION</u>

CP.9.1 Following the issue of a **Final Operational Notification** if:

- (i) the Generator or DC Converter Station owner becomes aware, that the capability of its Plant and/or Apparatus' (including OTSUA if applicable) to meet any provisions of the Grid Code, or where applicable the Bilateral Agreement is not fully available, then the Generator or DC Converter Station owner shall follow the process in CP.9.2 to CP.9.11; or.
- (ii) a Network Operator becomes aware, that the capability of Plant and/or Apparatus' belonging to an Embedded Power Station or Embedded DC Converter Station (other than Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded DC Converter Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement) is failing to meet any provisions of the Grid Code, or where applicable the Bilateral Agreement, then the Network Operator shall inform The Company and The Company shall inform the Generator or DC Converter Station owner to then follow the process in CP.9.2 to CP.9.11; or,
- (iii) The Company becomes aware through monitoring as described in OC5.4, that a Generator or DC Converter Station owner Plant and/or Apparatus' (including OTSUA if applicable)\_capability to meet any provisions of the Grid Code, or where applicable the Bilateral Agreement is not fully available, then The Company shall inform the other party. Where The Company and the Generator or DC Converter Station owner cannot agree from the monitoring as described in OC5.4 whether the Plant and/or Apparatus (including OTSUA if applicable) is fully available and/or is compliant with the requirements of the Grid Code and where applicable the Bilateral Agreement, the parties shall first apply the process in OC5.5.1, before applying the process defined in CP.9 (LON) if applicable. Where the testing instructed in accordance with OC.5.5.1 indicates that the Plant and/or Apparatus (including OTSUA if applicable) is not fully available and/or is not compliant with the requirements of the Grid Code and/or the Bilateral Agreement, or if the parties so agree, the process in CP.9.2 to CP.9.11 shall be followed.

- CP.9.2 Immediately upon a **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner becoming aware that its **Generating Unit**, **CCGT Module**, **Power Park Module**, **OTSUA** (if applicable) or **DC Converter Station** as applicable may be unable to comply with certain provisions of the Grid Code or (where applicable) the **Bilateral Agreement**, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner shall notify **The Company** in writing. Additional details of any operating restrictions or changes in applicable data arising from the potential non-compliance and an indication of the date from when the restrictions will be removed and full compliance demonstrated shall be provided as soon as reasonably practical.
- CP.9.3 If the nature of any unavailability and/or potential non-compliance described in CP.9.1 causes or can reasonably be expected to cause a material adverse effect on the business or condition of **The Company** or other **Users** or the **National Electricity Transmission System** or any **User Systems**, then **The Company** may, notwithstanding the provisions of this CP.9, follow the provisions of Paragraph 5.4 of the **CUSC**.
- CP.9.4 Except where the provisions of CP.9.3 apply, where the restriction notified in CP.9.2 is not resolved in 28 days, then the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner with input from and discussion of conclusions with **The Company**, and the **Network Operator** where the **Generating Unit**, **CCGT Module**, **Power Park Module** or **Power Station** as applicable is **Embedded**, shall undertake an investigation to attempt to determine the causes of and solution to the non-compliance. Such investigation shall continue for no longer than 56 days. During such investigation, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner shall provide to **The Company**, the relevant data which has changed due to the restriction in respect of CP.7.3.1 as notified to the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner by **The Company** as being required to be provided.

## CP.9.5 <u>Issue and Effect of LON</u>

- CP.9.5.1 Following the issue of a **Final Operational Notification**, **The Company** will issue to the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner, a **Limited Operational Notification** if:
  - (a) by the end of the 56 day period referred to at CP.9.4, the investigation has not resolved the non-compliance to **The Company's** satisfaction; or
  - (b) The Company is notified by a Generator or DC Converter Station owner of a Modification to its Plant and Apparatus (including OTSUA if applicable); or
  - (c) The Company receives a submission of data, or a statement from a Generator or DC Converter Station owner indicating a change in Plant or Apparatus\_(including OTSUA if applicable) or settings (including but not limited to governor and excitation control systems) that may in The Company's reasonable opinion, acting in accordance with Good Industry Practice be expected to result in a material change of performance.

In the case of an Embedded Generator or Embedded DC Converter Station owner, The Company will issue a copy of the Limited Operational Notification to the Network Operator.

- CP.9.5.2 The **Limited Operational Notification** will be time limited to expire no later than 12 months from the start of the non-compliance or restriction or from reconnection following a change. **The Company** may agree a longer duration in the case of a **Limited Operational Notification** following a **Modification** or whilst the **Authority** is considering the application for a derogation in accordance with CP.10.1.
- CP.9.5.3 The Limited Operational Notification will notify the Generator or DC Converter Station owner of any restrictions on the operation of the Generating Unit(s), CCGT Module(s), Power Park Module(s), OTSUA (if applicable) or DC Converter(s) and will specify the Unresolved Issues. The Generator or DC Converter Station owner must operate in accordance with any notified restrictions and must resolve the Unresolved Issues.
- CP.9.5.4 When a **GB Code User** and **The Company** are acting/operating in accordance with the provisions of a **Limited Operational Notification**, whilst it is in force, the relevant provisions of the Grid Code to which that **Limited Operational Notification** relates will not apply to the **GB Code User** or **The Company** to the extent and for the period set out in the **Limited Operational Notification**.

- CP.9.5.5 The Unresolved Issues included in a Limited Operational Notification will show the extent that the provisions of CP.7.2 (testing) and CP.7.3 (final data submission) shall apply. In respect of selecting the extent of any tests which may in **The Company's** view reasonably be needed to demonstrate the restored capability and in agreeing the time period in which the tests will be scheduled, **The Company** shall, where reasonably practicable, take account of the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner's input to contain its costs associated with the testing.
- CP.9.5.6 In the case of a change or **Modification** the **Limited Operational Notification** may specify that the affected **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA** if applicable) or associated **Generating Unit(s)** or **Power Park Unit(s)** must not be **Synchronised** until all of the following items, that in **The Company's** reasonable opinion are relevant, have been submitted to **The Company** to **The Company's** satisfaction:
  - (a) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data):
  - (b) details of any relevant special **Power Station**, **Generating Unit(s)**, **Power Park Module(s)**, **OTSUA** (if applicable) or **DC Converter Station(s)** protection as applicable. This may include **Pole Slipping** protection and islanding protection schemes; and
  - (c) simulation study provisions of Appendix CP.A.3 and the results demonstrating compliance with Grid Code requirements relevant to the change or **Modification** as agreed by **The Company**; and
  - (d) a detailed schedule of the tests and the procedures for the tests required to be carried out by the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** to demonstrate compliance with relevant Grid Code requirements as agreed by **The Company**. The schedule of tests shall be consistent with Appendix OC5.A.2 or Appendix OC5.A.3 as appropriate; and
  - (e) an interim Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance completed by the GB Code User (including any Unresolved Issues) against the relevant Grid Code requirements including details of any requirements that the Generator or DC Converter Station owner has identified that will not or may not be met or demonstrated; and
  - (f) any other items specified in the **LON**.
- CP.9.5.7 The items referred to in CP.9.5.6 shall be submitted by the **Generator** (including in respect of any **OTSUA** if applicable) or **DC Converter Station** owner using the **User Data File Structure**.
- CP.9.5.8 In the case of **Synchronous Generating Unit(s)** only, the **Unresolved Issues** of the **LON** may require that the **Generator** must complete the following tests to **The Company's** satisfaction to demonstrate compliance with the relevant provisions of the **CC**s prior to the **Generating Unit** being **Synchronised** to the **Total System**:
  - (a) those tests required to establish the open and short circuit saturation characteristics of the Generating Unit (as detailed in Appendix OC5.A.2.3) to enable assessment of the short circuit ratio in accordance with CC.6.3.2. Such tests may be carried out at a location other than the Power Station site; and
  - (b) open circuit step response tests (as detailed in Appendix OC5.A.2.2) to demonstrate compliance with CC.A.6.2.4.1.
- CP.9.6 In the case of a change or **Modification**, not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner wishing to **Synchronise** its **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA** if applicable) for the first time following the change or **Modification**, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner will:
  - (i) submit a Notification of User's Intention to Synchronise; and
  - (ii) submit to **The Company** the items referred to at CP.9.5.6.

- CP.9.7 Other than **Unresolved Issues** that are subject to tests to be witnessed by **The Company**, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner must resolve any **Unresolved Issues** prior to the commencement of the tests, unless **The Company** agrees to a later resolution. The **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner must liaise with **The Company** in respect of such resolution. The tests that may be witnessed by **The Company** are specified in CP.7.2.2.
- CP.9.8 Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner wishing to commence tests listed as **Unresolved Issues** to be witnessed by **The Company**, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner will notify **The Company** that the **Generating Unit(s)**, **CCGT Module(s)**, **Power Park Module(s)**, **OTSUA** (if applicable) or **DC Converter(s)** as applicable is ready to commence such tests.
- CP.9.9 The items referred to at CP.7.3 and listed as **Unresolved Issues** shall be submitted by the **Generator** or the **DC Converter Station** owner after successful completion of the tests.
- CP.9.10 Where the **Unresolved Issues** have been resolved, a **Final Operational Notification** will be issued to the **GB Code User**.
- CP.9.11 If a **Final Operational Notification** has not been issued by **The Company** within the 12 month period referred to at CP.9.5.2 (or where agreed following a **Modification** by the expiry time of the **LON**) then the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner (where licensed in respect of its activities) and **The Company** shall apply to the **Authority** for a derogation.

## CP.10 PROCESSES RELATING TO DEROGATIONS

CP.10.1 Whilst the **Authority** is considering the application for a derogation, the **Interim Operational Notification** or **Limited Operational Notification** will be extended to remain in force until the **Authority** has notified **The Company** and the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner of

its decision. Where the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner is not licensed, **The Company** may propose any necessary changes to the **Bilateral Agreement** with such

unlicensed **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner.

## CP.10.2 If the **Authority**:

- grants a derogation in respect of the Plant and/or Apparatus, then The Company shall issue a Final Operational Notification once all other Unresolved Issues are resolved;
- (b) decides a derogation is not required in respect of the Plant and/or Apparatus, then The Company will reconsider the relevant Unresolved Issues and may issue a Final Operational Notification once all other Unresolved Issues are resolved; or
- (c) decides not to grant any derogation in respect of the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**, then there will be no **Operational Notification** in place and **The Company** and the **GB Code User** shall consider its rights pursuant to the **CUSC**.
- CP.10.3 Where an Interim Operational Notification or Limited Operational Notification is so conditional upon a derogation and such derogation includes any conditions (including any time limit to such derogation), the Generator or DC Converter Station owner will progress the resolution of any Unresolved Issues and / or progress and / or comply with any conditions upon such derogation and the provisions of CP.6.9 to CP.7.4 shall apply and shall be followed.

## CP.11 MANUFACTURER'S DATA & PERFORMANCE REPORT

CP.11.1.1 Data and performance characteristics in respect of certain Grid Code requirements may be registered with **The Company** by **Power Park Unit** manufacturers in respect of specific models of **Power Park Units** by submitting information in the form of a **Manufacturer's Data** and **Performance Report** to **The Company**.

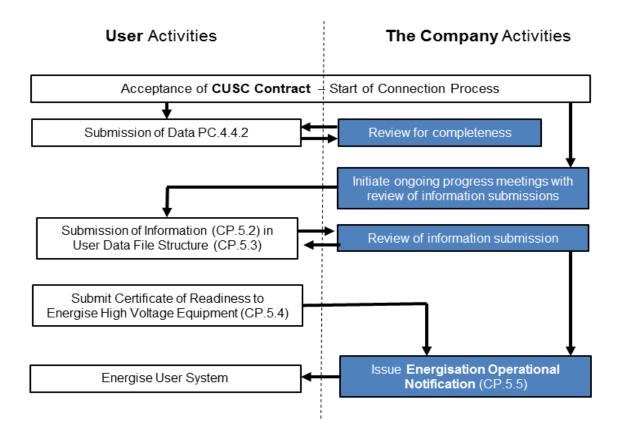
- CP.11.1.2 A GB Generator planning to construct a Power Station containing the appropriate version of Power Park Units in respect of which a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report has been submitted to The Company may reference the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report in its submissions to The Company. Any Generator considering referring to a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report for any aspect of its Plant and Apparatus may contact The Company to discuss the suitability of the relevant Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report to its project to determine if, and to what extent, the data included in the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report contributes towards demonstrating compliance with those aspects of the Grid Code applicable to the Generator. The Company will inform the Generator if the reference to the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report is not appropriate or not sufficient for its project.
- CP.11.1.3 The process to be followed by **Power Park Unit** manufacturers submitting a **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** is agreed by **The Company**. CP.11.2 indicates the specific Grid

  Code requirement areas in respect of which a **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report**may be submitted.
- CP.11.1.4 The Company will maintain and publish a register of those Manufacturer's Data & Performance Reports which The Company has received and accepted as being an accurate representation of the performance of the relevant Plant and / or Apparatus. Such register will identify the manufacturer, the model(s) of Power Park Unit(s) to which the report applies and the provisions of the Grid Code in respect of which the report contributes towards the demonstration of compliance. The inclusion of any report in the register does not in any way confirm that any Power Park Modules which utilise any Power Park Unit(s) covered by a report is or will be compliant with the Grid Code.
- CP.11.2 A **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** in respect of **Power Park Units** may cover one (or part of one) or more of the following provisions of the Grid Code:
  - (a) Fault Ride Through capability CC.6.3.15
  - (b) Power Park Module mathematical model PC.A.5.4.2
- CP.11.3 Reference to a **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** in a **GB Code User's** submissions does not by itself constitute compliance with the Grid Code.
- CP.11.4 A Generator referencing a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report should insert the relevant Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report reference in the appropriate place in the DRC data submission and / or in the User Data File Structure. The Company will consider the suitability of a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report:
  - (a) in place of DRC data submissions, a mathematical model suitable for representation of the entire Power Park Module as per CP.A.3.4.4. For the avoidance of doubt only the relevant sections as specified in PC.A.2.5.5.7 apply. Site specific parameters will still need to be submitted by the Generator.
  - (b) in place of fault simulation studies as follows;
    - **The Company** will not require Fault Ride Through simulation studies to be conducted as per CP.A.3.5.1 and qualified in CP.A.3.5.2 provided that;
    - (i) Adequate and relevant Power Park Unit data is included in respect of Fault Ride Through testing covered in CP.A.14.7.1 in the relevant Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report, and
    - (ii) For each type and duration of fault as detailed in CP.A.3.5.1, the expected minimum retained voltage is greater than the corresponding minimum voltage achieved and successfully ridden through in the fault ride through tests covered by the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report.
  - (c) to reduce the scope of compliance site tests as follows;
    - (i) Where there is a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report in respect of a Power Park Unit which covers Fault Ride Through, The Company may agree that no Fault Ride Through testing is required.

- CP.11.5 It is the responsibility of the **GB Code User** to ensure that the correct reference for the **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** is used and the **GB Code User** by using that reference accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the information. The **GB Code User** shall ensure that the manufacturer has kept **The Company** informed of any relevant variations in plant specification since the submission of the relevant **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** which could impact on the validity of the information.
- CP.11.6 The Company may contact the Power Park Unit manufacturer directly to verify the relevance of the use of such Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report. If The Company believe the use some or all of such Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report information is incorrect or the referenced data is inappropriate then the reference to the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report may be declared invalid by The Company. Where, and to the extent possible, the data included in the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report is appropriate, the compliance assessment process will be continued using the data included in the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report.

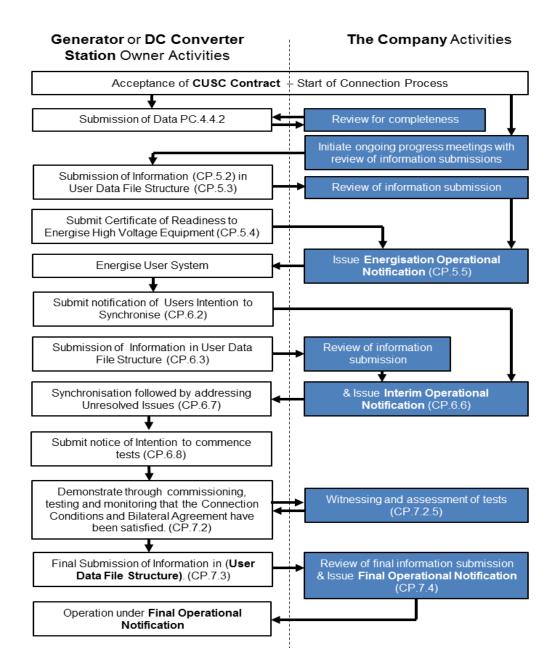
## **APPENDIX 1 - ILLUSTRATIVE PROCESS DIAGRAMS**

CP.A.1.1 Illustrative Compliance Process for Energisation of a User



The process illustrated in CP.A.1.1 applies to all **GB Code Users** energising passive network **Plant** and **Apparatus** including **Distribution Network Operators**, **Non-Embedded Customers**, **Generators** and **DC Converter Station** owners. This process is a subset of the full process for **Generators** and **DC Converter Station** owners shown in CP.A.1.2. This diagram illustrates the process in the **CP** and includes references in brackets to specific Grid Code clauses.

CP.A.1.2 Illustrative Compliance Process for Power Stations/DC Converter Stations



This diagram illustrates the process in the **CP** and includes references in brackets to specific Grid Code clauses. For the avoidance of doubt this process does not apply to **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**.

#### Generator or OTSUA Owner Activities The Company Activities OTSUA **User Plant & Apparatus** Acceptance of CUSC Contract - Start of Connection Process Submission of Data PC.4.4.2 Submission of Data PC.4.4.2 Review for completeness (DRC Schedules 1,2,3, 4, 5) (DRC Schedule 18 19) Initiate ongoing progress meetings with review of information submissions Submission of Information Submission of Information (CP.5.2) in User Data File (CP.5.2) in User Data File Structure (CP.5.3) Structure (CP.5.3) Submit Certificate of Submit Certificate of Readiness to Energise High Readiness to Energise High Voltage Equipment (CP.5.4) Voltage Equipment (CP.5.4) Issue Energisation Operational Notification (CP.5.5) Energise User OTSDUW Energise User System Submit notification of User Submit notification of User Intention to Synchronise Intention to Synchronise (CP.6.2) (CP.6.2) Review of information Submission of Information in Submission of Information in User Data File Structure User Data File Structure submission (CP.6.3) (CP.6.3) & Issue Interim Operational Notification Part A & Part B (CP.6.6) Synchronisation followed by Synchronisation followed by addressing Unresolved addressing Unresolved Issues for ION pt A (CP.6.7) Issues for ION pt B (CP.6.7) Submit notice of intention to Submit notice of intention to commence tests (CP.6.8) commence tests (CP.6.8) Demonstrate through Demonstrate through Witnessing and assessment of tests commissioning, testing and commissioning, testing and monitoring that the monitoring that the Connection Conditions and Connection Conditions and Bilateral Agreement have Bilateral Agreement have been satisfied (CP.7.2) been satisfied (CP.7.2) Review of final information submission & Final Submission of Final Submission of Information in User Data File Information in User Data File Issue Final Operational Notification Structure. (CP.7.3) Structure. (CP.7.3) (CP.7.4)

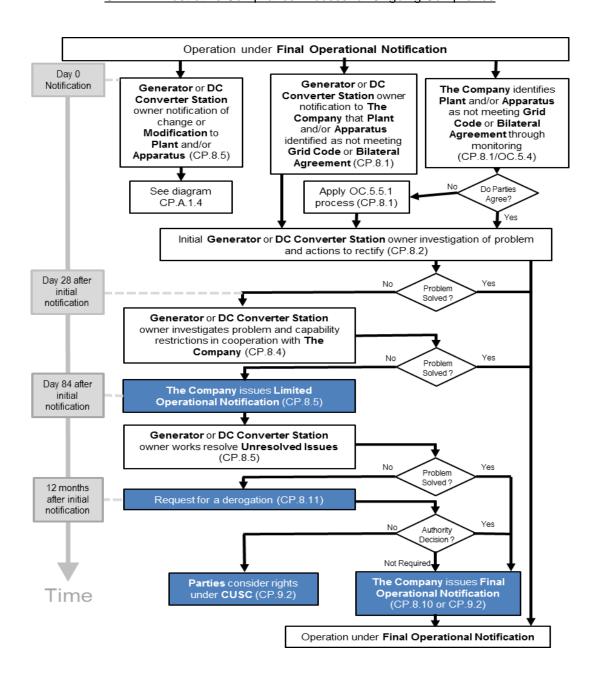
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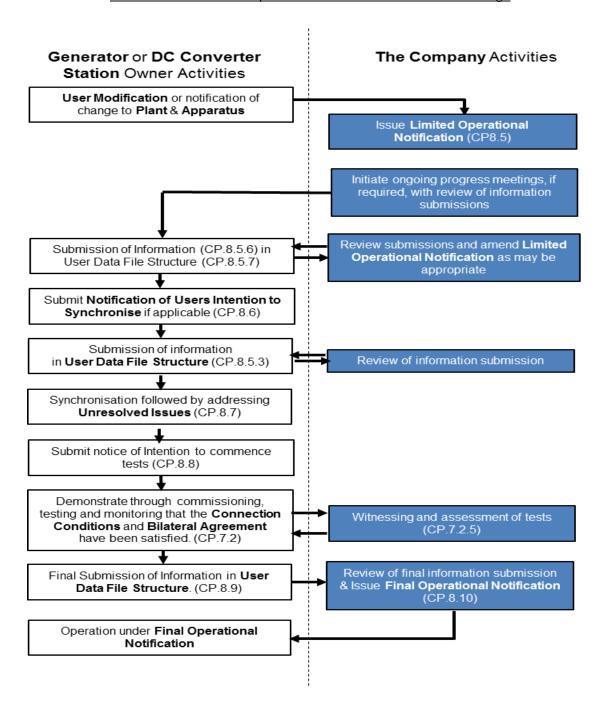
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CP.A.1.4 Illustrative Compliance Process for Ongoing Compliance



This diagram illustrates the process in the **CP** and includes references in brackets to specific Grid Code clauses. For the avoidance of doubt this process does not apply to **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**.



This diagram illustrates the process in the **CP** and includes references in brackets to specific Grid Code clauses. For the avoidance of doubt this process does not apply to **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded DC Converter Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**.

## APPENDIX 2 - USER SELF CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

## **USER SELF CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE (Interim/Final)**

Power Station/ DC Converter Station:	[Name of Connection Site/site of connection]
OTSUA	[Name of Interface Site]
GB Code User:	[Full User name]
Registered Capacity (MW) of Plant:	

This User Self Certification of Compliance records the compliance by the GB Code User in respect of [NAME] Power Station/DC Converter Station [and, in the case of OTSDUW Arrangements, OTSUA] with the Grid Code and the requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and Construction Agreement dated [ ] with reference number [ ]. It is completed by the Power Station/DC Converter Station owner in the case of Plant and/or Apparatus (including OTSUA) connected to the National Electricity Transmission System and for Embedded Plant.

We have recorded our compliance against each requirement of the Grid Code which applies to the **Power Station/DC Converter Station/OTSUA**, together with references to supporting evidence and a commentary where this is appropriate, and have provided this to **The Company**. A copy of the **Compliance Statement** is attached.

Supporting evidence, in the form of simulation results, test results, manufacturer's data and other documentation, is attached in the **User Data File Structure**.

The GB Code User hereby certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and acting in accordance with Good Industry Practice, [the Power Station is compliant with the Grid Code and the Bilateral Agreement] [the OTSUA is compliant with the Grid Code and the Construction Agreement] in all aspects [with the following Unresolved Issues\*] [with the following derogation(s)\*\*]:

Connection Condition	Requirement	Ref:	Issue

Compliance	Name:	Title:
certified by:	[PERSON]	[PERSON DESIGNATION]
	Signature:	Of
	[PERSON]	[GB CODE USER DETAILS]
	Date:	,

<sup>\*</sup> Include for Interim User Self Certification of Compliance ahead of Interim Operational Notification.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Include for final User Self Certification of Compliance ahead of Final Operational Notification where derogation(s) have been granted. If no derogation(s) required delete wording and Table.

## **APPENDIX 3 - SIMULATION STUDIES**

- CP.A.3.1.1 This Appendix sets out the simulation studies required to be submitted to **The Company** to demonstrate compliance with the **Connection Conditions** unless otherwise agreed with **The Company**. This Appendix should be read in conjunction with CP.6 with regard to the submission of the reports to **The Company**. Where there is any inconsistency in the technical requirements in respect of which compliance is being demonstrated by simulation in this Appendix and CC.6.3 and the **Bilateral Agreement**, the provisions of the **Bilateral Agreement** and CC.6.3 prevail. The studies specified in this Appendix will normally be sufficient to demonstrate compliance. However **The Company** may agree an alternative set of studies proposed by the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner provided **The Company** deem the alternative set of studies sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the Grid Code and the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- CP.A.3.1.2 The **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner shall submit simulation studies in the form of a report to demonstrate compliance. In all cases, the simulation studies must utilise models applicable to the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** with proposed or actual parameter settings. Reports should be submitted in English with all diagrams and graphs plotted clearly with legible axes and scaling provided to ensure any variations in plotted values is clear.
- CP.A.3.1.3 In the case of an **Offshore Power Station** where **OTSDUW Arrangements** apply, simulation studies by the **Generator** should include the action of any relevant **OTSUA** where applicable to demonstrate compliance with the Grid Code and the **Bilateral Agreement** at the **Interface Point**.
- CP.A.3.2 Power System Stabiliser Tuning
- CP.A.3.2.1 In the case of a **Synchronous Generating Unit**, the **Power System Stabiliser** tuning simulation study report required by CC.A.6.2.5.6 or required by the **Bilateral Agreement** shall contain:
  - (i) the **Excitation System** model including the **Power System Stabiliser** with settings as required under the **Planning Code** (PC.A.5.3.2(c)).
  - (ii) open circuit time series simulation study of the response of the **Excitation System** to a +10% step change from 90% to 100% terminal voltage.
  - (iii) on load time series dynamic simulation studies of the response of the Excitation System with and without the Power System Stabiliser to 2% and 10% steps in the reference voltage and a three phase short circuit fault applied to the higher voltage side of the Generating Unit transformer for 100ms. The simulation studies should be carried out with the Generating Unit operating at full Active Power and maximum leading Reactive Power import with the fault level at the Supergrid HV Connection Point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with The Company. The results should show Generating Unit field voltage, Generating Unit terminal voltage, Power System Stabiliser output, Generating Unit Active Power and Generating Unit Reactive Power output.
  - (iv) gain and phase Bode diagrams for the open loop frequency domain response of the Generating Unit Excitation System with and without the Power System Stabiliser. These should be in a suitable format to allow assessment of the phase contribution of the Power System Stabiliser and the gain and phase margin of the Excitation System with and without the Power System Stabiliser in service.
  - (v) an eigenvalue plot to demonstrate that all modes remain stable when the Power System Stabiliser gain is increased by at least a factor of 3 from the designed operating value.
    - (vi) gain Bode diagram for the closed loop on load frequency domain response of the Generating Unit Excitation System with and without the Power System Stabiliser with the Generating Unit operating at full load and at unity Power Factor. These diagrams should be in a suitable format to allow comparison of the Active Power damping across the frequency range specified in CC.A.6.2.6.3 with and without the Power System Stabiliser in service

In the case of a Synchronous Generating Unit that may operate as demand (eg. Pump Storage) the on load simulations (ii) to (vi) should also be carried out in both modes of operation.

- CP.A.3.2.2 In the case of Onshore Non-Synchronous Generating Units, Onshore DC Converters and Onshore Power Park Modules and OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus at the Interface Point the Power System Stabiliser tuning simulation study report required by CC.A.7.2.4.1 or required by the Bilateral Agreement shall contain:
  - (i) the **Voltage Control System** model including the **Power System Stabiliser** with settings as required under the **Planning Code** (PC.A.5.4) and **Bilateral Agreement**.
  - (ii) on load time series dynamic simulation studies of the response of the Voltage Control System with and without the Power System Stabiliser to 2% and 10% steps in the reference voltage and a three phase short circuit fault applied to the Grid Entry Point or the Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus for 100ms. The simulation studies should be carried out operating at full Active Power and maximum leading Reactive Power (import condition) with the fault level at the Supergrid HV Connection Point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with The Company. The results should show appropriate signals to demonstrate the expected damping performance of the Power System Stabiliser.
  - (iii) any other simulation as specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** or agreed between the **Generator** or **DC Converter Owner** or **Offshore Transmission Licensee** and **The Company**.
- CP.A.3.3 Reactive Capability across the Voltage Range
- CP.A.3.3.1 The **Generator** or **DC Converter station** owner shall supply simulation studies to demonstrate the capability to meet CC.6.3.4 by submission of a report containing:
  - (i) a load flow simulation study result to demonstrate the maximum lagging Reactive Power capability of the Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter, OTSUA or Power Park Module at Rated MW when the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point if Embedded or Interface Point (in case of OTSUA) voltage is at 105% of nominal.
  - (ii) a load flow simulation study result to demonstrate the maximum leading Reactive Power capability of the Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter, OTSUA or Power Park Module at Rated MW when the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point if Embedded or Interface Point (in case of OTSUA) voltage is at 95% of nominal.
- CP.A.3.3.2 In the case of a **Synchronous Generating Unit** the terminal voltage in the simulation should be the nominal voltage for the machine. Where necessary to demonstrate compliance with CC.6.3.4 and subject to compliance with CC.6.3.8 (a) (v), the **Generator** shall repeat the two simulation studies with the terminal voltage being greater than the nominal voltage and less than or equal to the maximum terminal voltage. The two additional simulations do not need to have the same terminal voltage.
- CP.A.3.3.3 In the case of a **Synchronous Generating Unit**, the **Generator** shall supply two sets of simulation studies to demonstrate the capability to meet the operational requirements of BC2.A.2.6 and CC.6.1.7 at the minimum and maximum short circuit levels when changing tap position. Each set of simulation studies shall be at the same **System** conditions. None of the simulation studies shall include the **Synchronous Generating Unit** operating at the limits of its **Reactive Power** output.

The simulation results shall include the **Reactive Power** output of the **Synchronous Generating Unit** and the voltage at the **Grid Entry Point** or, if **Embedded**, the **User System Entry Point** with the **Generating Unit** transformer at two adjacent tap positions with the greatest interval between them and the terminal voltage of the **Synchronous Generating Unit** equal to

- its nominal value: and
- subject to compliance with CC.6.3.8 (a) (v), its maximum value.

- CP.A.3.3.4 In the case of a **Power Park Module** where the load flow simulation studies show that the individual **Power Park Units** deviate from nominal voltage to meet the **Reactive Power** requirements, then evidence must be provided from factory (e.g. in a **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report**) or site testing that the **Power Park Unit** is capable of operating continuously at the operating points determined in the load flow simulation studies.
- CP.A.3.4 <u>Voltage Control and Reactive Power Stability</u>
- CP.A.3.4.1 In the case of a **Power Station** containing **Power Park Modules** and/or **OTSUA** the **Generator** shall provide a report to demonstrate the dynamic capability and control stability of the **Power Park Module**. The report shall contain:
  - a dynamic time series simulation study result of a sufficiently large negative step in System voltage to cause a change in Reactive Power from zero to the maximum lagging value at Rated MW.
  - (ii) a dynamic time series simulation study result of a sufficiently large positive step in **System** voltage to cause a change in **Reactive Power** from zero to the maximum leading value at **Rated MW**.
  - (iii) a dynamic time series simulation study result to demonstrate control stability at the lagging **Reactive Power** limit by application of a -2% voltage step while operating within 5% of the lagging **Reactive Power** limit.
  - (iv) a dynamic time series simulation study result to demonstrate control stability at the leading **Reactive Power** limit by application of a +2% voltage step while operating within 5% of the leading **Reactive Power** limit.
  - (v) a dynamic time series simulation study result of a sufficiently negative step in System voltage to cause a change in Reactive Power from the maximum leading value to the maximum lagging value at Rated MW.

The **Generator** should also provide the voltage control study specified in CP.A.3.7.4.

- CP.A.3.4.2 All the above studies should be completed with a nominal network voltage for zero **Reactive Power** transfer at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** if **Embedded** or, in the case of **OTSUA**, **Interface Point** unless stated otherwise and the fault level at the **HV** connection point at minimum as agreed with **The Company**.
- CP.A.3.4.3 The Company may permit relaxation from the requirements of CP.A.3.4.1(i) and (ii) for voltage control if the Power Park Modules are comprised of Power Park Units in respect of which the GB Code User has in its submissions to The Company, referenced an appropriate Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report which is acceptable to The Company for voltage control.
- CP.A.3.4.4 In addition, **The Company** may permit a further relaxation from the requirements of CP.A.3.4.1(iii) and (iv) if the **GB Code User** has in its submissions to **The Company** referenced an appropriate **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** for a **Power Park Module** mathematical model for voltage control acceptable to **The Company**.
- CP.A.3.5 Fault Ride Through
- CP.A.3.5.1 The **Generator**, (including where undertaking **OTSDUW**) or **DC Converter Station** owner shall supply time series simulation study results to demonstrate the capability of **Non-Synchronous Generating Units**, **DC Converters**, **Power Park Modules** and **OTSUA** to meet CC.6.3.15 by submission of a report containing:
  - a time series simulation study of a 140ms solid three phase short circuit fault applied on the nearest point of the National Electricity Transmission System operating at Supergrid voltage to the Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter, Power Park Module or OTSUA.
  - (ii) time series simulation study of 140ms unbalanced short circuit faults applied on the nearest point of the National Electricity Transmission System operating at Supergrid voltage to the Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter, Power Park Module or OTSUA. The unbalanced faults to be simulated are:

- 1. a phase to phase fault
- 2. a two phase to earth fault
- 3. a single phase to earth fault.

For a Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter, Power Park Module or OTSUA, the simulation study should be completed with the Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter, Power Park Module or OTSUA operating at full Active Power and maximum leading Reactive Power import and the fault level at the Supergrid HV Connection Point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with The Company.

- (iii) time series simulation studies of balanced Supergrid voltage dips applied on the nearest point of the National Electricity Transmission System operating at Supergrid voltage to the Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter, Power Park Module or OTSUA. The simulation studies should include:
  - 1. 30% retained voltage lasting 0.384 seconds
  - 2. 50% retained voltage lasting 0.71 seconds
  - 3. 80% retained voltage lasting 2.5 seconds
  - 4. 85% retained voltage lasting 180 seconds.

For a Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter, Power Park Module or OTSUA, the simulation study should be completed with the Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter, Power Park Module or OTSUA operating at full Active Power and zero Reactive Power output and the fault level at the Supergrid HV Connection Point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with The Company. Where the Non-Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter or Power Park Module is Embedded the minimum Network Operator's System impedance to the Supergrid HV Connection Point shall be used which may be calculated from the maximum fault level at the User System Entry Point.

For **DC Converters** the simulations should include the duration of each voltage dip 1 to 4 above for which the **DC Converter** will remain connected.

- CP.A.3.5.2 In the case of **Power Park Modules** comprised of **Power Park Units** in respect of which the **GB Code User's** reference to a **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** has been accepted by **The Company** for Fault Ride Through, CP.A.3.5.1 will not apply provided:
  - (i) the Generator or DC Converter Station owner demonstrates by load flow simulation study result that the faults and voltage dips at either side of the Power Park Unit transformer corresponding to the required faults and voltage dips in CP.A.3.5.1 applied at the nearest point of the National Electricity Transmission System operating at Supergrid voltage are less than those included in the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report,

or;

- (ii) the same or greater percentage faults and voltage dips in CP.A.3.5.1 have been applied at either side of the Power Park Unit transformer in the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report.
- CP.A.3.5.3 In the case of an **Offshore Power Park Module** or **Offshore DC Converter**, the studies may instead be completed at the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform**. For fault simulation studies described in CCA.8.5.1(i) and CCA.8.5.1(ii) a retained voltage of 15% or lower may be applied at the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform** on the faulted phases. For voltage dip simulation studies described in CP.A.3.5.1(iii) the same voltage levels and durations as normally applied at the **National Electricity Transmission System** operating at **Supergrid Voltage** will be applied at the **LV Side of the Offshore Platform**.
- CP.A.3.5.4 In the case of a **Power Park Module**, the studies detailed in CP.A.3.5.1 should be repeated to demonstrate compliance during foreseeable running arrangements resulting from outages of major **Plant** and **Apparatus** (for example outage of the main export cable in the case of **OTSDUW** or module step up transformer where alternative export connections are possible). For these conditions, the **Power Park Module Active Power** output may be reduced to

levels appropriate to the planned operating regime proposed by the **Generator**. The **Generator** shall consult **The Company** on alternative running arrangements and agree with **The Company** the running arrangements that will be studied prior to the **Generator** undertaking the studies. For the avoidance of doubt, compliance of a **Power Park Module** with **Fault Ride Through** requirements remains the responsibility of the **Generator** under all operating conditions.

- CP.A.3.5.5 In the case of a **Power Park Module** with a **Registered Capacity** greater or equal to 100MW, the studies detailed in CP.A.3.5.1 should be repeated with 50% of the **Power Park Units Synchronised** to the **Total System**. In the case of a **Power Station** containing multiple **Power Park Modules** or multiple **Offshore Power Park Modules** connected to an **Offshore Transmission System** or **OTSDUW** the study should include all **Power Park Modules** with 50% of the **Power Park Units Synchronised** to the **Total System**.
- CP.A.3.5.6 In the case of **DC Networks** the studies detailed in CP.A.3.5.1 should be repeated to demonstrate compliance during foreseeable running arrangements resulting from outages of major **Plant** and **Apparatus** (for example outage of an HVDC cable or converter). For these conditions, the **DC Converter Active Power** transfer may be reduced to levels appropriate to the planned operating regime. The **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** Owner shall consult **The Company** on alternative running arrangements and agree with **The Company** the running arrangements that will be studied prior to the **DC Converter Station** Owner undertaking the studies. For the avoidance of doubt, compliance of **DC Converter Station** with **Fault Ride Through** requirements remains the responsibility of the **DC Converter Station** Owner under all operating conditions.

## CP.A.3.6 Load Rejection

- CP.A.3.6.1 In respect of Generating Units or DC Converters or Power Park Modules with a Completion Date on or after 1 January 2012, the Generator or DC Converter Station owner shall demonstrate the speed control performance of the plant under a part load rejection condition as required by CC.6.3.7(c)(i), through simulation study. In respect of Generating Units or DC Converters or Power Park Modules, including those with a Completion Date before 1 January 2013, the load rejection capability while still supplying load must be stated in accordance with PC.A.5.3.2(f).
- CP.A.3.6.2 For **Power Park Modules** comprised of **Power Park Units** having a corresponding generically verified and validated model included in the **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report**, this study may not be required by The Company if the correct **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** reference has been submitted in the appropriate location in the **Data Registration Code**.
- CP.A.3.6.3 The simulation study should comprise of a **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** connected to the total **System** with a local load shown as "X" in figure CP.A.3.6.1. The load "X" is in addition to any auxiliary load of the **Power Station** connected directly to the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** and represents a small portion of the **System** to which the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** is attached. The value of "X" should be the minimum for which the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** can control the power island **Frequency** to less than 52Hz. Where transient excursions above 52Hz occur the **Generator** or **DC Converter Owner** should ensure that the duration above 52Hz is less than any high frequency protection system applied to the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module**.
- CP.A.3.6.4 At the start of the simulation study the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** will be operating maximum **Active Power** output. The **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** will then be islanded from the **Total System** but still supplying load "X" by the opening of a breaker, which is not the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** connection circuit breaker (the governor should therefore, not receive any signals that the breaker has opened other than the reduction in load and subsequent increase in speed). A schematic arrangement of the simulation study is illustrated by Figure CP.A.3.6.1.

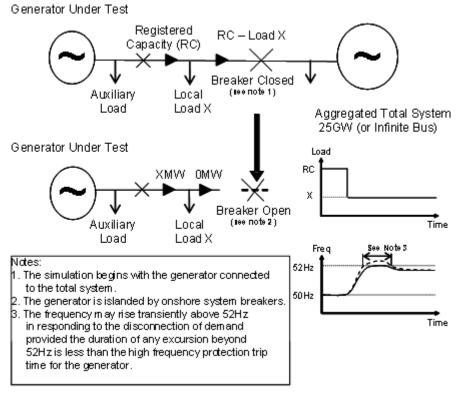


Figure CP.A.3.6.1 - Diagram of Load Rejection Study

- CP.A.3.6.5 The simulation study shall be performed for both control modes, **Frequency Sensitive Mode** (FSM) and **Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode** (LFSM). The simulation study results should indicate **Active Power** and **Frequency** in the island system that includes the **Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module**.
- CP.A.3.6.6 To allow validation of the model used to simulate load rejection in accordance with CC.6.3.7(c)(i) as described, a further simulation study is required to represent the largest positive **Frequency** injection step or fast ramp (BC1 and BC3 of Figure 2) that will be applied as a test as described in OC5.A.2.8 and OC5.A.3.6.
- CP.A.3.7 <u>Voltage and Frequency Controller Model Verification and Validation</u>
- CP.A.3.7.1 For Generating Units, DC Converters or Power Park Modules with a Completion Date after 1 January 2012 or subject to a Modification to a Excitation System, voltage control system, governor control system or Frequency control system after 1 January 2012 the Generator or DC Converter Station owner shall provide simulation studies to verify that the proposed controller models supplied to The Company under the Planning Code are fit for purpose. These simulation study results shall be provided in the timescales stated in the Planning Code. For Power Park Modules comprised of Power Park Units having a corresponding generically verified and validated model in a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report, The Company may permit the simulation studies detailed in CP.A.3.7.2, CP.A.3.7.4 and CP.A.3.7.5 to be replaced by submission of the correct Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report reference in the appropriate location in the Data Registration Code.
- CP.A.3.7.2 To demonstrate the **Frequency** control or governor/load controller/plant model, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner shall submit a simulation study representing the response of the **Synchronous Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** operating at 80% of **Registered Capacity**. The simulation study event shall be equivalent to:
  - (i) a ramped reduction in the measured **System Frequency** of 0.5Hz in 10 seconds followed by
  - (ii) 20 seconds of steady state with the measured **System Frequency** depressed by 0.5Hz followed by

- (iii) a ramped increase in measured **System Frequency** of 0.3Hz over 30 seconds followed by
- (iv) 60 seconds of steady state with the measured **System Frequency** depressed by 0.2Hz as illustrated in Figure CP.A.3.7.2 below.

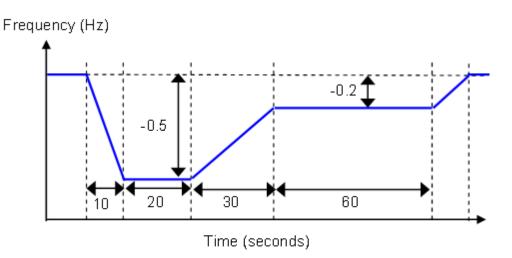


Figure CP.A.3.7.2

The simulation study shall show **Active Power** output (MW) and the equivalent of **Frequency** injected.

- CP.A.3.7.3 To demonstrate the **Excitation System** model the **Generator** shall submit simulation studies representing the response of the **Synchronous Generating Unit** as follows:
  - (i) operating open circuit at rated terminal voltage and subjected to a 2% step increase in terminal voltage reference.
  - (ii) operating at **Rated MW**, nominal terminal voltage and unity **Power Factor** subjected to a 2% step increase in the voltage reference. Where a **Power System Stabiliser** is included within the **Excitation System** this shall be in service.

The simulation study shall show the terminal voltage, field voltage of the **Generating Unit**, **Active Power**, **Reactive Power** and **Power System Stabiliser** output signal as appropriate.

- CP.A.3.7.4 To demonstrate the Voltage Controller model, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner shall submit a simulation study representing the response of the **Non-Synchronous Generating Unit**, **DC Converter** or **Power Park Module** operating at **Rated MW** and unity **Power Factor** at the connection point to a 2% step increase in the voltage reference. The simulation study shall show the terminal voltage, **Active Power**, **Reactive Power** and **Power System Stabiliser** output signal as appropriate.
- CP.A.3.7.5 To validate that the excitation and voltage control models submitted under the **Planning Code** are a reasonable representation of the dynamic behaviour of the **Synchronous Generating Unit, DC Converter Station** or **Power Park Module** as built, the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner shall repeat the simulation studies outlined above but using the operating conditions of the equivalent tests. The simulation study results shall be displayed overlaid on the actual test results.
- CP.A.3.7.6 For Generating Units or DC Converters with a Completion Date after 1 January 2012 or subject to a Modification to the governor system or Frequency control system after 1 January 2013 to validate that the governor/load controller/plant or Frequency control models submitted under the Planning Code is a reasonable representation of the dynamic behaviour of the Synchronous Generating Unit or DC Converter Station as built, the Generator or DC Converter Station owner shall repeat the simulation studies outlined above but using the operating conditions of the equivalent tests. The simulation study results shall be displayed overlaid on the actual test results.

- CP.A.3.8 <u>Sub-synchronous Resonance Control and Power Oscillation Damping Control for DC Converters</u>
- CP.A.3.8.1 To demonstrate the compliance of the sub-synchronous control function with CC.6.3.16(a) and the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement**, the **DC Converter Station** owner or **Generator** undertaking **OTSDUW** shall submit a simulation study report.
- CP.A.3.8.2 Where power oscillation damping control function is specified on a **DC Converter** the **DC Converter Station** owner or **Generator** undertaking **OTSDUW** shall submit a simulation study report to demonstrate the compliance with CC.6.3.16(b) and the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- CP.A.3.8.3 The simulation studies should utilise the **DC Converter** control system models including the settings as required under the **Planning Code** (PC.A.5.3.2). The network conditions for the above simulation studies should be discussed with **The Company** prior to commencing any simulation studies.

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# **EUROPEAN COMPLIANCE PROCESSES**

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#### **EUROPEAN COMPLIANCE PROCESSES**

#### ECP.1 INTRODUCTION

The European Compliance Processes ("ECP") specifies the compliance process in relation to directly connected and Embedded Power Stations (subject to a Bilateral Agreement), HVDC Systems, Grid Forming Plant and Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus. For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements of the European Compliance Processes do not apply to Demand Response Providers unless they are also an EU Code User and have entered into a CUSC Contract with The Company. Generators in respect of Electricity Storage Modules are required to meet the requirements of this ECC but are not required to satisfy the requirements of Assimilated EU Law (Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/631, Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1388 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1485). Any derogation in respect of Electricity Storage Modules would therefore be against the GB Grid Code as the requirements applicable to Electricity Storage Modules are not enforceable by EU Law:

## (i) Type A Power Generating Modules:

the process for issuing and receiving an **Installation Document** which must be followed by **The Company** and any **User** with a **Type A Power Generating Module** to demonstrate its compliance with the **Grid Code** in relation to its **Plant** and **Apparatus** prior to the relevant **Plant** and **Apparatus** being energised.

(ii) Type B, Type C or Type D Power Generating Modules and HVDC Systems:

the process (leading to an Energisation Operational Notification) which must be followed by The Company and any User with a Type B, Type C or Type D Power Generating Module or HVDC System to demonstrate its compliance with the Grid Code in relation to its Plant and Apparatus (including OTSUA) prior to the relevant Plant and Apparatus (including any OTSUA) being energised.

the process (leading to an Interim Operational Notification and Final Operational Notification) which must be followed by The Company and any User with a Type B, Type C or Type D Power Generating Module or HVDC System or HVDC System Owner to demonstrate its compliance with the Grid Code in relation to its Plant and Apparatus (including and dynamically controlled OTSUA). This process shall be followed prior to and during the course of the relevant Plant and Apparatus (including OTSUA) being energised and Synchronised.

the process (leading to a Limited Operational Notification) which must be followed by The Company and each User with a Type B, Type C or Type D Power Generating Module or HVDC System where any of its Plant and/or Apparatus (including any OTSUA) becomes unable to comply with relevant provisions of the Grid Code, and where applicable with Appendices F1 to F5 of the Bilateral Agreement (and in the case of OTSUA Appendices OF1 to OF5 of the Bilateral Agreement). This process also includes when changes or Modifications are made to Plant and/or Apparatus (including OTSUA). This process applies to such Plant and/or Apparatus after the Plant and/or Apparatus has become Operational and until Disconnected from the Total System, (or until, in the case of

OTSUA, the OTSUA Transfer Time) when changes or **Modifications** are made.

(iii) Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus:

the process (leading to an Energisation Operational Notification) which must be followed by The Company and any Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer to demonstrate its compliance with the Grid Code in relation to its Plant and Apparatus prior to the relevant Plant and Apparatus being energised.

the process (leading to an Interim Operational Notification and Final Operational Notification) which must be followed by The Company and any Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer to demonstrate its compliance with the Grid Code in relation to its Plant and Apparatus. This process shall be followed prior to and during the course of the relevant Plant and Apparatus being energised and operated by using the grid connection.

the process (leading to a Limited Operational Notification) which must be followed by The Company and each Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer where any of its Plant and/or Apparatus becomes unable to comply with relevant provisions of the Grid Code, and where applicable with Appendices F1 to F5 of the Bilateral Agreement. This process also includes changes or Modifications made to the Plant and/or Apparatus. This process applies to such Plant and/or Apparatus after the Plant and/or Apparatus has become operational and until Disconnected from the Transmission System.

- As used in the **ECP**, references to **OTSUA** means **OTSUA** to be connected or connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System** prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**.
- Where a **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** and/or **The Company** are required to apply for a derogation to the **Authority**, this is not in respect of **OTSUA**.
- In the case of **an Electricity Storage Plant** comprising of separate generating units and demand taking plant (eg a pump) then compliance would be assessed individually on the generating units and the demand taking elements.

## ECP.2 OBJECTIVE

- The objective of the ECP is to ensure that there is a clear and consistent process for demonstration of compliance by Users with the European Connection Conditions and Bilateral Agreement and will enable The Company to comply with its statutory and ESO Licence obligations. For the avoidance of doubt, the requirements of the European Compliance Processes do not apply to Demand Response Providers unless they are also an EU Code User and have entered into a CUSC Contract with The Company.
- Provisions of the **ECP** which apply in relation to **OTSDUW** and **OTSUA** shall (in any particular case) apply up to the **OTSUA Transfer Time**, whereupon

such provisions shall (without prejudice to any prior non-compliance) cease to apply.

In relation to OTSDUW, provisions otherwise to be contained in a Bilateral Agreement may be contained in the Construction Agreement, and accordingly a reference in the ECP to a relevant Bilateral Agreement includes the relevant Construction Agreement.

## ECP.3 SCOPE

- ECP.3.1 The **ECP** applies to **The Company** and to **Users**, which in the **ECP** means:
  - (a) **EU Generators** (other than in relation to **Embedded Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**) including those undertaking **OTSDUW**.
  - (b) **Network Operators** who are either;
    - (i) **EU Code Users** in respect of their entire distribution **System**; or
    - (ii) GB Code Users in respect of their EU Grid Supply Points only
  - (c) Non-Embedded Customers who are EU Code Users;
  - (d) HVDC System Owners (other than those which only have Embedded HVDC Systems not subject to a Bilateral Agreement).
  - (e) **Grid Forming Plant Owners** who own and operate a **Grid Forming Plant** and intend to satisfy the requirements of ECC.6.3.19
  - ECP.3.2 The above categories of **User** will become bound by the **ECP** prior to them generating, distributing, supplying or consuming, or in the case of **OTSUA**, transmitting, as the case may be, and references to the various categories should, therefore, be taken as referring to them in that prospective role.
  - For the avoidance of doubt, **Demand Response Providers** do not need to satisfy the requirements of this **ECP** unless they are also defined as an **EU**Code User and have a CUSC Contract with The Company. Where a Demand Response Provider is not an **EU** Code User and does not have a CUSC Contract with The Company, the requirements of the Demand Response Services Code shall only apply.
- For the avoidance of doubt, this **ECP** does not apply to **GB Code Users** other than in respect of **Network Operator's EU Grid Supply Points**.

#### ECP.4 CONNECTION PROCESS

The CUSC Contract(s) contain certain provisions relating to the procedure for connection to the National Electricity Transmission System or, in the case of Embedded Power Stations or Embedded HVDC Systems, becoming operational and include provisions to be complied with by Users prior to and during the course of The Company notifying the User that it has the right to become operational. In addition to such provisions, this ECP sets out in further detail the processes to be followed to demonstrate compliance. While this ECP does not expressly address the processes to be followed in the case of OTSUA connecting to a Network Operator's User System prior to OTSUA Transfer Time, the processes to be followed by The Company

and the **Generator** in respect of the **OTSUA** in such circumstances shall be consistent with those set out below by reference to **OTSUA** directly connected to the **National Electricity Transmission System**.

- The provisions contained in ECP.5 to ECP.7 detail the process to be followed in order for the **User's Plant** and **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA**) to become operational. This process includes
  - (i) the acceptance of an Installation Document for a Type A Power Generating Module;
  - (ii) for energisation an EON for Type B, Type C or Type D Power Generating Modules, or HVDC Equipment, Grid Forming Plant or Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus;
  - (iii) for synchronising an ION for Type B, Type C or Type D Power Generating Modules or HVDC Equipment;
  - (iv) for operating by using the **Grid Supply Point** an **ION** for;
    - a. **Network Operators** who are **EU Code Users** in respect of their entire distribution **System**;
    - b. **Network Operators** who are **GB Code Users** in respect of their **EU Grid Supply Points** only; or
    - c. Non-Embedded Customers who are EU Code Users;
  - (v) for final certification a **FON**.
- The provisions contained in ECP.5 relate to the connection and energisation of User's Plant and Apparatus (including OTSUA) to the National Electricity Transmission System or where Embedded, to a User's System.
- The provisions contained in ECP.6 and ECP.7 provide the process for Generators, HVDC System Owners, Grid Forming Plant Owners, Network Operators and Non-Embedded Customers to demonstrate compliance with the Grid Code and with, where applicable, the CUSC Contract(s) prior to and during the course of such Generator's, HVDC System Owner's (including OTSUA up to the OTSUA Transfer Time), Network Operator's and Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus) becoming operational.
- ECP.4.2.3 The provisions contained in ECP.8 detail the process to be followed to confirm continued compliance (the "Compliance Repeat Plan").
- ECP.4.2.4 The provisions contained in ECP.9 detail the process to be followed when:

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- (a) a Generator's or HVDC System Owner's, or Grid Forming Plant Owner's, or Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and/or Apparatus (including the OTSUA) is unable to comply with any provisions of the Grid Code and Bilateral Agreement; or,
- (b) following any notification by a **Generator** or a **HVDC System Owner** or a **Grid Forming Plant Owner** or a **Network Operator** or a **Non-Embedded Customer** under the **PC** of any change to its **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including any **OTSUA**); or,
- (c) a Modification to a Generator's or a HVDC System Owner's or a Grid Forming Plant Owner's or a Network Operator's or a Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and/or Apparatus.

- For **Grid Forming Plant Owners**, the **Operational Notification Process** of this **ECP** shall apply in relation to the type of **Plant** to which the **Grid Forming Capability** is provided (be it a **GBGF-S** or **GBGF-I**),
- ECP.4.3 <u>Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement</u> and <u>Embedded HVDC Equipment not subject to a Bilateral Agreement</u>
- In the case of Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded HVDC Systems not subject to a Bilateral Agreement, ensuring the obligations of the ECC and Appendix E of the relevant Bilateral Agreement between The Company and the host Network Operator are performed and discharged by the relevant party. For the avoidance of doubt the process in this ECP does not apply to Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded HVDC Equipment not subject to a Bilateral Agreement.

## ECP.5 <u>ENERGISATION OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION</u>

- The following provisions apply in relation to the issue of an Energisation Operational Notification in respect of a Power Station consisting of Type B, Type C or Type D Power Generating Modules or an HVDC System or a Network Operator's or a Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus.
- ECP.5.1.1 Certain provisions relating to the connection and energisation of the User's Plant and Apparatus at the Connection Site and OTSUA at the Transmission Interface Point and in certain cases of Embedded Plant and Apparatus are specified in the CUSC and/or CUSC Contract(s). For other Embedded Plant and Apparatus, the Distribution Code, the DCUSA and the Embedded Development Agreement for the connection specify equivalent provisions. Further detail on this is set out in ECP.5 below.
- ECP.5.2 The items for submission prior to the issue of an **Energisation Operational Notification** are set out in ECC.5.2.
- In the case of a **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** the items referred to in ECC.5.2 shall be submitted using the **Power Generating Module Document** or **User Data File Structure** as applicable.
- Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **User** wishing to energise its **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including passive **OTSUA**) for the first time, the **User** will submit to **The Company** a Certificate of Readiness to Energise **High Voltage** Equipment which specifies the items of **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA**) ready to be energised in a form acceptable to **The Company**.
- If the relevant obligations under the provisions of the CUSC and/or CUSC Contract(s) and the conditions of ECP.5 have been completed to The Company's reasonable satisfaction then The Company shall issue an Energisation Operational Notification. Any dynamically controlled reactive compensation OTSUA (including Statcoms or Static Var Compensators) shall not be Energised until the appropriate Interim Operational Notification has been issued in accordance with ECP.6.
- ECP.6 OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION PROCESSES
- ECP.6.1 OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION PROCESS (Type A)

- ECP.6.1.1 The following provisions apply in relation to the notification process in in respect of a **Power Station** consisting of **Type A Power Generating Modules**.
- Company's reasonable opinion, prior to the Generator wishing to Synchronise its Plant and Apparatus for the first time, the Generator will:

submit to The Company, a Notification of the User's Intention to Connect; and

submit to **The Company** an **Installation Document** containing at least but not limited to the items referred to at ECP.6.1.3.

- ECP.6.1.3 Items for submission prior to connection.
- Prior to the issue of an acknowledgment to connect, the **Generator** must submit to **The Company**, to **The Company's** satisfaction, an **Installation Document** containing at least but not limited to:
  - (i) The location at which the connection is made;
  - (ii) The date of the connection;
  - (iii) The **Maximum Capacity** of the installation in kW;
  - (iv) The type of primary energy source;
  - (v) The classification of the **Power Generating Module** as an emerging technology;
  - (vi) A list of references to Equipment Certificates issued by an authorised certifier or otherwise agreed with The Company used for equipment that is installed at the site or copies of the relevant Equipment Certificates issued by an Authorised Certifier or otherwise where these are relied upon as part of the evidence of compliance;
  - (vii) As regards equipment used, for which an **Equipment Certificate** has not been received, information shall be provided as directed by **The Company** or the **Relevant Network Operator**; and
  - (viii) The contact details of the **Generator** and the installer and their signatures.
- The items referred to in ECP.6.1.3 shall be submitted by the **Generator** in the form of an **Installation Document** for each applicable **Power Generating Module**.
- ECP.6.1.4 No **Power Generating Module** shall be **Synchronised** to the **Total System** until the later of:
  - the date specified by the Generator in the Installation Document issued in respect of each applicable Power Generating Module(s); and,
  - (b) acknowledgement is received from **The Company** confirming receipt of the **Installation Document**.

- When the requirements of ECP.6.1.2 to ECP.6.1.4 have been met, **The Company** will notify the **Generator** that the **Power Generating Module** may (subject to the **Generator** having fulfilled the requirements of ECP.6.1.3 where that applies) be **Synchronised** to the **Total System**.
- ECP.6.1.6 Not less than 7 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **Generator** wishing to decommission its **Plant** and **Apparatus**, the **Generator** will submit to **The Company** a **Notification of User's Intention to Disconnect**.
- ECP.6.2 <u>INTERIM OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION (Type B and Type C)</u>
- The following provisions apply in relation to the issue of an Interim Operational Notification in respect of a Power Station consisting of Type B and(or) Type C Power Generating Modules. In the case of Generators in respect of Embedded Small Power Stations with a Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement, and a Completion Date on or after 05-09-2024, only the requirements of ECP.6.2.10 shall apply.
- Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **Generator** wishing to **Synchronise** its **Plant** and **Apparatus** or dynamically controlled **OTSUA** for the first time the **Generator or HVDC Equipment** owner will:
  - (i) submit to The Company a Notification of User's Intention to Synchronise; and
  - submit to **The Company** an initial **Power Generating Module Document** containing at least but not limited to the items referred to at ECP.6.2.3.
- ECP.6.2.3 Items for submission prior to issue of the **Interim Operational Notification**.
- Prior to the issue of an Interim Operational Notification in respect of the EU Code User's Plant and Apparatus or dynamically controlled OTSUA, the Generator must submit to The Company to The Company's satisfaction an Interim Power Generating Module Document containing at least but not limited to:
  - (i) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for Forecast Data items such as Demand;
  - (ii) for **Type C Power Generating Modules** the simulation models;
  - (iii) details of any special **Power Generating Module(s)** protection as required by ECC.6.2.2.3. This may include Pole Slipping protection and islanding protection schemes as applicable;
  - (iv) simulation study provisions of Appendix ECP.A.3 and the results demonstrating compliance with **Grid Code** requirements of:

PC.A.5.4.2 PC.A.5.4.3.2, ECC.6.3.4, ECC.6.3.7.3.1 to ECC.6.3.7.3.6, ECC.6.3.15, ECC.6.3.16 ECC.A.6.2.5.6 ECC.A.7.2.3.1

as applicable to the **Power Generating Module(s)** or dynamically controlled **OTSUA** unless agreed otherwise by **The Company**;

- (v) a detailed schedule of the tests and the procedures for the tests required to be carried out by the **Generator** under ECP.7.2 to demonstrate compliance with relevant **Grid Code** requirements. Such schedule to be consistent with Appendix ECP.A.5 (in the case of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**) or Appendix ECP.A.6 (in the case of a **Power Park Modules**) and **OTSUA** as applicable);
- (vi) copies of Manufacturer's Test Certificates or Equipment Certificates issued by an Authorised Certifier or equivalent as agreed with The Company where these are relied upon as part of the evidence of compliance; and
- (vii) a Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance completed by the EU Code User (including any Unresolved Issues) against the relevant Grid Code requirements including details of any requirements that the Generator has identified that will not or may not be met or demonstrated.
- The items referred to in ECP.6.2.3 shall be submitted by the **Generator** in the form of a **Power Generating Module Document (PGMD)** for each applicable **Power Generating Module**.
- ECP.6.2.4 No **Generating Unit** or dynamically controlled **OTSUA** shall be **Synchronised** to the **Total System** (and for the avoidance of doubt, dynamically controlled **OTSUA** will not be able to transmit) until the later of:
  - (a) the date specified by **The Company** in the **Interim Operational Notification** issued in respect of each applicable **Power Generating Module(s)** or dynamically controlled **OTSUA**; and,
  - (b) in the case of Synchronous Power Generating Module(s) only after the date of receipt by the Generator of written confirmation from The Company that the Synchronous Power Generating Module or CCGT Module as applicable has completed the following tests to demonstrate compliance with the relevant provisions of the Connection Conditions to The Company's satisfaction:
    - (i) those tests required to establish the open and short circuit saturation characteristics of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** (as detailed in Appendix ECP.A.4.3) to enable assessment of the short circuit ratio in accordance with ECC.6.3.2. Such tests may be carried out at a location other than the **Power Station** site and supplied in the form of an **Equipment Certificate** or as otherwise agreed by **The Company**; and
    - (ii) open circuit step response tests (as detailed in Appendix ECP.A.5.2) to demonstrate compliance with ECC.A.6.2.4.1.
- ECP.6.2.5 **The Company** shall assess the schedule of tests submitted by the **Generator** with the **Notification of User's Intention to Synchronise** under ECP.6.2.3

and shall determine whether such schedule has been completed to **The Company's** satisfaction.

ECP.6.2.6 When the requirements of ECP.6.2.2 to ECP.6.2.5 have been met, **The Company** will notify the **Generator** that the:

Synchronous Power Generating Module, CCGT Module, Power Park Module or Dynamically controlled OTSUA

as applicable may (subject to the **Generator** having fulfilled the requirements of ECP.6.2.3 where that applies) be **Synchronised** to the **Total System** through the issue of an **Interim Operational Notification**. Where the **Generator** is undertaking **OTSDUW** then the **Interim Operational Notification** Will be in two parts, with the "**Interim Operational Notification Part A**" applicable to **OTSUA** and the **Interim Operational Notification Part B**" applicable to the **EU Code Users Plant** and **Apparatus**. For the avoidance of doubt, the "**Interim Operational Notification Part B**" can be issued together or at different times. In respect of an **Embedded Power Station** or **Embedded HVDC Equipment Station** (other than an **Embedded Medium Power Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement** and **Embedded HVDC Equipment Stations** not subject to a **Bilateral Agreement**), **The Company** will notify the **Network Operator** that an **Interim Operational Notification** has been issued.

- The **Interim Operational Notification** will be time limited, the expiration date being specified at the time of issue. The **Interim Operational Notification** may be renewed by **The Company**.
- The Generator must operate the Power Generating Module or OTSUA in accordance with the terms, arising from the Unresolved Issues, of the Interim Operational Notification. Where practicable, The Company will discuss such terms with the Generator prior to including them in the Interim Operational Notification.
- ECP.6.2.6.3 The **Interim Operational Notification** will include the following limitations:
  - (a) In the case of OTSUA, the Interim Operational Notification Part A permits Synchronisation of the dynamically controlled OTSUA to the Total System only for the purposes of active control of voltage and reactive power and not for the purpose of exporting Active Power.
  - (b) In the case of a **Power Park Module** the **Interim Operational Notification** (and where **OTSDUW Arrangements** apply, this reference will be to the **Interim Operational Notification Part B**) will limit the proportion of the **Power Park Module** which can be simultaneously **Synchronised** to the **Total System** such that neither of the following figures is exceeded:
    - 20% of the Maximum Capacity of the Power Park Module (or the output of a single Power Park Unit where this exceeds 20% of the Power Station's Maximum Capacity)

until the **Generator** has completed the voltage control tests (detailed in ECP.A.6.2) (including in respect of any dynamically controlled **OTSUA**) to **The Company's** reasonable satisfaction. Following successful completion of this test each additional **Power Park Unit** should be included in the voltage control scheme as soon as is technically possible (unless **The Company** agrees otherwise).

- (c) In the case of a Synchronous Power Generating Module employing a static Excitation System the Interim Operational Notification (and where OTSDUW Arrangements apply, this reference will be to the Interim Operational Notification Part B) may, if applicable, limit the maximum Active Power output and Reactive Power output of the Synchronous Power Generating Module or CCGT module prior to the successful commissioning of the Power System Stabiliser to The Company's satisfaction, if applicable.
- ECP.6.2.6.4 Operation in accordance with the **Interim Operational Notification** whilst it is in force will meet the requirements for compliance by the **Generator** and **The Company** of all the relevant provisions of the **European Connection Conditions**.
- Other than **Unresolved Issues** that are subject to tests required under ECP.7.2 to be witnessed by **The Company**, the **Generator** must resolve any **Unresolved Issues** prior to the commencement of the tests, unless **The Company** agrees to a later resolution. The **Generator** must liaise with **The Company** in respect of such resolution. The tests that may be witnessed by **The Company** are specified in ECP.7.2.
- Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **Generator** wishing to commence tests required under ECP.7 to be witnessed by **The Company**, the **Generator** will notify **The Company** that the **Power Generating Module(s)** as applicable is ready to commence such tests.
- ECP.6.2.9 The items referred to at ECP.7.3 shall be submitted by the **Generator** after successful completion of the tests required under ECP.7.2.
- In relation to a **Generator** in respect of an **Embedded Small Power Station** with a **Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement**, and a **Completion Date** on or after 05-09-2024, prior to **The Company** issuing an **Interim-Balancing Compliance Notification**, the **Generator** shall submit to **The Company** the following documents:
  - (i) A final operational notification from the relevant **Network Operator** (as applicable),
  - (ii) A copy of the **Power-Generating Module Document** along with the confirmation from the relevant **Network Operator** on the compliance status of the **Generator's Power-Generating Module Document** in accordance with **Engineering Recommendation** G99, and
  - (iii) Document(s) demonstrating compliance with ECC.6.5, ECC.7.9, ECC.7.10 and ECC.7.11 of the Grid Code and **Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement**,

which shall be to **The Company**'s satisfaction.

- ECP.6.3 INTERIM OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION (Type D and HVDC Equipment)
- ECP.6.3.1 The following provisions apply in relation to the issue of an Interim
  Operational Notification in respect of a Power Station consisting of Type
  D Power Generating Modules or an HVDC System. In the case of

**Generators** in respect of **Embedded Small Power Stations** with a **Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement**, and a **Completion Date** on or after 05-09-2024, only the requirements of ECP.6.3.10 shall apply.

- Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in The Company's reasonable opinion, prior to the Generator or HVDC System Owner wishing to Synchronise its Plant and Apparatus or dynamically controlled OTSUA for the first time the Generator or HVDC System Owner will:
  - i. submit to The Company a Notification of User's Intention to Synchronise; and
  - ii. submit to **The Company** the items referred to at ECP.6.3.3.
- ECP.6.3.3 Items for submission prior to issue of the **Interim Operational Notification**.
- Prior to the issue of an Interim Operational Notification in respect of the EU Code User's Plant and Apparatus or dynamically controlled OTSUA the Generator or HVDC System Owner must submit to The Company to The Company's satisfaction:
  - (a) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for Forecast Data items such as Demand;
  - (b) details of any special **Power Generating Module(s)** or **HVDC Equipment** protection as applicable. This may include Pole Slipping protection and islanding protection schemes;
  - (c) any items required by ECP.5.2, updated by the **EU Code User** as necessary:
  - (d) simulation study provisions of Appendix ECP.A.3 and the results demonstrating compliance with **Grid Code** requirements of:

PC.A.5.4.2 PC.A.5.4.3.2, ECC.6.3.4, ECC.6.3.7.3.1 to ECC.6.3.7.3.6, ECC.6.3.15, ECC.6.3.16 ECC.A.6.2.5.6 ECC.A.7.2.3.1

as applicable to the **Power Station**, **Synchronous Power Generating Module(s)**, **Power Park Module(s)**, **HVDC Equipment** or dynamically controlled **OTSUA** unless agreed otherwise by **The Company**;

(e) a detailed schedule of the tests and the procedures for the tests required to be carried out by the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** under ECP.7.2 to demonstrate compliance with relevant **Grid Code** requirements. Such schedule to be consistent with Appendix ECP.A.5 (in the case of **Synchronous Power Generating Modules**) or Appendix ECP.A.6 (in the case of **Power Park** Modules and **OTSUA** as applicable) or Appendix ECP.A.7 (in the case of **HVDC Equipment**; and

- (f) an interim Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance completed by the EU Code User (including any Unresolved Issues) against the relevant Grid Code requirements including details of any requirements that the Generator or HVDC System Owner has identified that will not or may not be met or demonstrated.
- The items referred to in ECP.6.3.3 shall be submitted by the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** using the **User Data File Structure**.
- ECP.6.3.4 No **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** shall be **Synchronised** to the **Total System** (and for the avoidance of doubt, dynamically controlled **OTSUA** will not be able to transmit) until the later of:
  - (a) the date specified by The Company in the Interim Operational Notification issued in respect of the Power Generating Module(s) or HVDC Equipment or dynamically controlled OTSUA; and,
  - (b) if Embedded, the date of receipt of a confirmation from the Network Operator in whose System the Plant and Apparatus is connected that it is acceptable to the Network Operator that the Plant and Apparatus be connected and Synchronised; and,
  - (c) in the case of Synchronous Power Generating Module(s) only after the date of receipt by Generator of written confirmation from The Company that the Synchronous Power Generating Module has completed the following tests to demonstrate compliance with the relevant provisions of the Connection Conditions to The Company's satisfaction:
    - (i) those tests required to establish the open and short circuit saturation characteristics of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** (as detailed in Appendix ECP.A.5.3) to enable assessment of the short circuit ratio in accordance with ECC.6.3.2. Such tests may be carried out at a location other than the **Power Station** site; and
    - (ii) open circuit step response tests (as detailed in Appendix ECP.A.5.2) to demonstrate compliance with ECC.A.6.2.4.1.
- The Company shall assess the schedule of tests submitted by the Generator or HVDC System Owner with the Notification of User's Intention to Synchronise under ECP.6.3.1 and shall determine whether such schedule has been completed to The Company's satisfaction.
- ECP.6.3.6 When the requirements of ECP.6.3.2 to ECP.6.3.5 have been met, **The Company** will notify the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** that the:

Synchronous Power Generating Module, CCGT Module.

Power Park Module

Dynamically controlled OTSUA or

**HVDC** Equipment,

as applicable may (subject to the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** having fulfilled the requirements of ECP.6.3.3 where that applies) be **Synchronised** to the **Total System** through the issue of an **Interim Operational Notification**. Where the **Generator** is undertaking **OTSDUW** then the **Interim Operational Notification** will be in two parts, with the "**Interim Operational Notification Part A**" applicable to OTSUA and the "**Interim Operational Notification Part B**" applicable to the **EU Code Users Plant** 

and Apparatus. For the avoidance of doubt, the "Interim Operational Notification Part A" and the "Interim Operational Notification Part B" can be issued together or at different times. In respect of an Embedded Power Station or Embedded HVDC Equipment Station (other than Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded HVDC Equipment not subject to a Bilateral Agreement), The Company will notify the Network Operator that an Interim Operational Notification has been issued.

- The Interim Operational Notification will be time limited, the expiration date being specified at the time of issue. The Interim Operational Notification may be renewed by The Company for up to a maximum of 24 months from the date of the first issue of the Interim Operational Notification. The Company may only issue an extension to an Interim Operational Notification beyond 24 months provided the Generator or HVDC System Owner has applied for a derogation for any remaining Unresolved Issues to the Authority as detailed in ECP.10.
- The Generator or HVDC System Owner must operate the Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment in accordance with the terms, arising from the Unresolved Issues, of the Interim Operational Notification. Where practicable, The Company will discuss such terms with the Generator or HVDC System Owner prior to including them in the Interim Operational Notification.
- ECP.6.3.6.3 The **Interim Operational Notification** will include the following limitations:
  - (a) In the case of OTSUA, the Interim Operational Notification Part A permits Synchronisation of the dynamically controlled OTSUA to the Total System only for the purposes of active control of voltage and Reactive Power and not for the purpose of exporting Active Power.
  - (b) In the case of a Power Park Module the Interim Operational Notification (and where OTSDUW Arrangements apply, this reference will be to the Interim Operational Notification Part B) will limit the proportion of the Power Park Module which can be simultaneously Synchronised to the Total System such that neither of the following figures is exceeded:
    - (i) 20% of the Maximum Capacity of the Power Park Module (or the output of a single Power Park Unit where this exceeds 20% of the Power Station's Maximum Capacity); nor
    - (ii) 50MW
    - until the **Generator** has completed the voltage control tests (detailed in ECP.A.6.3.2) to **The Company's** reasonable satisfaction. Following successful completion of this test, each additional **Power Park Unit** should be included in the voltage control scheme as soon as is technically possible (unless **The Company** agrees otherwise).
  - (c) In the case of a Power Park Module with a Maximum Capacity greater or equal to 100MW, the Interim Operational Notification (and where OTSDUW Arrangements apply, this reference will be to the Interim Operational Notification Part B) will limit the proportion of the Power Park Module which can be simultaneously Synchronised to the Total System to 70% of Maximum Capacity until the Generator has completed the Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode (LFSM-O) control tests with at least 50% of the Maximum Capacity of the Power

- **Park Module** in service (detailed in ECP.A.6.3.1) to **The Company's** reasonable satisfaction.
- (d) In the case of a Synchronous Power Generating Module employing a static Excitation System or a Power Park Module employing a Power System Stabiliser, the Interim Operational Notification (and where OTSDUW Arrangements apply, this reference will be to the Interim Operational Notification Part B) may if applicable limit the maximum Active Power output and Reactive Power output of the Synchronous Power Generating Module or CCGT module prior to the successful commissioning of the Power System Stabiliser to The Company's satisfaction.
- CP.6.3.6.4 Operation in accordance with the **Interim Operational Notification** whilst it is in force will meet the requirements for compliance by the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** and **The Company** of all the relevant provisions of the **European Connection Conditions**.
- Other than **Unresolved Issues** that are subject to tests required under ECP.7.2 to be witnessed by **The Company**, the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** must resolve any **Unresolved Issues** prior to the commencement of the tests, unless **The Company** agrees to a later resolution. The **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** must liaise with **The Company** in respect of such resolution. The tests that may be witnessed by **The Company** are specified in ECP.7.2.
- Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in The Company's reasonable opinion, prior to the Generator or HVDC System Owner wishing to commence tests required under ECP.7 to be witnessed by The Company, the Generator or HVDC System Owner will notify The Company that the Power Generating Module(s) or HVDC Equipment(s) as applicable is ready to commence such tests.
- The items referred to at ECP.7.3 shall be submitted by the **Generator** or the **HVDC System Owner** after successful completion of the tests required under ECP.7.2.
- In relation to a **Generator** in respect of an **Embedded Small Power Station** with a **Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement** and a **Completion Date** on or after 05-09-2024, prior to **The Company** issuing an **Interim-Balancing Compliance Notification**, the **Generator** shall submit to **The Company** the following documents:
  - (i) A final operational notification or an interim operational notification from the relevant **Network Operator** (as applicable).
  - (ii) A copy of **Power-Generating Module Document** along with confirmation from the relevant **Network Operator** on the compliance status of the **Generator's Power-Generating Module Document** in accordance with **Engineering Recommendation** G99.
  - (iii) Document(s) demonstrating compliance with ECC.6.5, ECC.7.9, ECC.7.10 and ECC.7.11 of the Grid Code and **Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement**.

which shall be to **The Company's** satisfaction.

- ECP.6.4 <u>INTERIM OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION</u> (Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus)
- ECP.6.4.1 The following provisions apply in relation to the issue of an Interim Operational Notification in respect of Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus.
- Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** wishing to operate its **Plant** and **Apparatus** by using the **EU Grid Supply Point** for the first time, the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** will:
  - i. submit to The Company a Notification of User's Intention to Operate; and
  - ii. submit to **The Company** the items referred to at ECP.6.4.3.
- ECP.6.4.3 Items for submission prior to issue of the **Interim Operational Notification**.
- Prior to the issue of an Interim Operational Notification in respect of the User's Plant and Apparatus at an EU Grid Supply Point, the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer must submit to The Company to The Company's satisfaction:
  - (a) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with any estimated values assumed for planning purposes confirmed or, where practical, replaced by validated actual values and by updated estimates for the future and by updated forecasts for Forecast Data items such as Demand;
  - (b) details of any special protection as applicable;
  - (c) any items required by ECP.5.2, updated as necessary;
  - (d) data submission and results required by Appendix ECP.A.8 demonstrating compliance with **Grid Code** requirements of:

PC.A.2.2

PC.A.2.3

PC.A.2.4

PC.A.2.5.2

PC.A.2.5.3

PC.A.2.5.4

PC.A.2.5.6

PC.A.4

PC.A.6.1.3

PC.A.6.3

PC.A.6.7.1

as applicable to the **Network Operator's** or **Non-Embedded Customer's Plant** and **Apparatus** unless agreed otherwise by **The Company**;

(e) a detailed schedule of the tests and the procedures for the tests required to be carried out by the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** under ECP.7.8 (or **Equipment Certificates** as relevant) to demonstrate compliance with relevant **Grid Code** requirements. Such schedule is to be consistent with Appendix ECP.A.8.

- (f) an interim Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance completed by the User (including any Unresolved Issues) against the relevant Grid Code requirements including details of any requirements that the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer has identified that will not or may not be met or demonstrated.
- ECP.6.4.4 No **Network Operator's** or **Non-Embedded Customer's Plant** and **Apparatus** shall be operated by using the **EU Grid Supply Point** until the date specified by **The Company** in the **Interim Operational Notification**.
- The Company shall assess the schedule of tests submitted by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer with the Notification of User's Intention to Operate under ECP.6.4.1 and shall determine whether such schedule has been completed to The Company's satisfaction.
- When the requirements of ECP.6.4.2 to ECP.6.4.5 have been met, The Company will notify the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer that the Plant and Apparatus may (subject to the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer having fulfilled the requirements of ECP.6.4.3 where that applies) be operated by using the EU Grid Supply Point through the issue of an Interim Operational Notification.
- The Interim Operational Notification will be time limited, the expiration date being specified at the time of issue. The Interim Operational Notification may be renewed by The Company for up to a maximum of 24 months from the date of the first issue of the Interim Operational Notification. The Company may only issue an extension to an Interim Operational Notification beyond 24 months provided the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer has applied for a derogation for any remaining Unresolved Issues to the Authority as detailed in ECP.10.
- The Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer must operate the Plant and Apparatus in accordance with the terms, arising from the Unresolved Issues, of the Interim Operational Notification. Where practicable, The Company will discuss such terms with the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer prior to including them in the Interim Operational Notification.
- The Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer must resolve any Unresolved Issues prior to the commencement of the tests, unless The Company agrees to a later resolution. The Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer must liaise with The Company in respect of such resolution.
- ECP.6.4.8 Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, prior to the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** wishing to commence tests required under ECP.7.8(e) and ECP.A.8 to be witnessed by **The Company** the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** will notify **The Company** that the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** as applicable is ready to commence such tests.
- ECP.7 FINAL OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION

<u>Final Operational Notification in respect of Generators and HVDC System</u> Owners

- The following provisions apply in relation to the issue of a **Final Operational**Notification in respect of a **Power Station** consisting of **Type B**, **Type C** and **Type D Power Generating Modules** or an **HVDC System**.
- ECP.7.2 Tests to be carried out prior to issue of the **Final Operational Notification**.
- Prior to the issue of a **Final Operational Notification** the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** must have completed the tests specified in this ECP.7.2.2 to **The Company's** satisfaction to demonstrate compliance with the relevant **Grid Code** provisions.
- In the case of any **Power Generating Module**, **OTSUA** (if applicable) or **HVDC Equipment** these tests will reflect the relevant technical requirements and will comprise one or more of the following:
  - (a) Reactive capability tests to demonstrate that the **Power Generating Module**, **OTSUA** (if applicable) or **HVDC Equipment** can meet the requirements of ECC.6.3.2. These may be witnessed by **The Company** on site if there is no metering to **The Company** Control Centre.
  - (b) voltage control system tests to demonstrate that the **Power Generating Module, OTSUA** (if applicable) or **HVDC Equipment** can meet the requirements of ECC.6.3.6.3, ECC.6.3.8 and, in the case of a **Power Park Module, OTSUA** (if applicable) and **HVDC Equipment**, the requirements of ECC.A.7 or ECC.A.8 and, in the case of **Synchronous Power Generating Module** and **CCGT Module**, the requirements of ECC.A.6, and any terms specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** as applicable. These tests may also be used to validate the **Excitation System** model (PC.A.5.3) or voltage control system model (PC.A.5.4) as applicable. These tests may be witnessed by **The Company**.
  - (c) governor or frequency control system tests to demonstrate that the Power Generating Module, OTSUA (if applicable) or HVDC Equipment can meet the requirements of ECC.6.3.6.2, ECC.6.3.7, where applicable ECC.A.3, and BC.3.7. In the case of a Type B Power Generating Module only tests BC3 and BC4 in ECP.A.5.8 Figure 2 or ECP.A.6.6 Figure 2 must be completed. The results will also validate the Mandatory Service Agreement required by ECC.8.1. These tests may also be used to validate the governor model (PC.A.5.3) or frequency control system model (PC.A.5.4) as applicable. These tests may be witnessed by The Company.
  - (d) fault ride through tests in respect of a Power Station with a Maximum Capacity of 100MW or greater, comprised of one or more Power Park Modules, to demonstrate compliance with ECC.6.3.15, ECC.6.3.16 and ECC.A.4. Where test results from a Manufacturers Data & Performance Report as defined in ECP.11 have been accepted this test will not be required.
  - (e) any further tests reasonably required by **The Company** and agreed with the **EU Code User** to demonstrate any aspects of compliance with the **Grid Code** and the **CUSC Contracts**.
- The Company's preferred range of tests to demonstrate compliance with the ECCs are specified in Appendix ECP.A.5 (in the case of Synchronous Power Generating Modules) or Appendix ECP.A.6 (in the case of a Power Park Modules or OTSUA (if applicable)) or Appendix ECP.A.7 (in the case of HVDC Equipment and are to be carried out by the EU Code User with the

results of each test provided to **The Company**. The **EU Code User** may carry out an alternative range of tests if this is agreed with **The Company**. **The Company** may agree a reduced set of tests where there is a relevant **Manufacturers Data & Performance Report** as detailed in ECP.10 or an applicable **Equipment Certificate** has been accepted.

- In the case of **Offshore Power Park Modules** which do not contribute to **Offshore Transmission Licensee Reactive Power** capability as described in ECC.6.3.2.5 or ECC.6.3.2.6 or Voltage Control as described in ECC.6.3.8.5 the tests outlined in ECP.7.2.2 (a) and ECP.7.2.2 (b) are not required. However, the offshore **Reactive Power** transfer tests outlined in ECP.A.5.8 shall be completed in their place.
- Following completion of each of the tests specified in this ECP.7.2, **The Company** will notify the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** whether, in the opinion of **The Company**, the results demonstrate compliance with the relevant **Grid Code** conditions. When the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** submits test results to **The Company**, the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** may request **The Company** to advise when the notification is expected to be provided. **The Company** should not unduly delay the notification.
- ECP.7.2.6 The **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** is responsible for carrying out the tests and retains the responsibility for safety and personnel during the test.
- ECP.7.3 Items for submission prior to issue of the **Final Operational Notification**
- Prior to the issue of a **Final Operational Notification** the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** must submit to **The Company** to **The Company's** satisfaction:
  - (a) updated Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with validated actual values and updated estimates for the future including Forecast Data items such as Demand:
  - (b) any items required by ECP.5.2 and ECP.6.2.3 or ECP.6.3.3 as applicable, updated by the **EU Code User** as necessary;
  - (c) evidence to **The Company's** satisfaction that demonstrates that the controller models and/or parameters (as required under PC.A.5.3.2(c) option 2, PC.A.5.3.2(d) option 2, PC.A.5.4.2, and/or PC.A.5.4.3.2) supplied to **The Company** provide a reasonable representation of the behaviour of the **EU Code User's Plant** and **Apparatus** and **OTSUA** if applicable;
  - (d) copies of Manufacturer's Test Certificates or Equipment Certificates issued by an Authorised Certifier or equivalent where these are relied upon as part of the evidence of compliance;
  - results from the tests required in accordance with ECP.7.2 carried out by the **Generator** to demonstrate compliance with relevant **Grid Code** requirements including the tests witnessed by **The Company**; and
  - (f) the final Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance signed by the EU Code User and a statement of any requirements that the Generator or HVDC System Owner has identified that have not been met together with a copy of the derogation in respect of the same from the Authority.

- The items in ECP.7.3 should be submitted by the **Generator** (including in respect of any **OTSUA** if applicable) or **HVDC System Owner** using the **User Data File Structure**.
- If the requirements of ECP.7.2 and ECP.7.3 have been successfully met, The Company will notify the Generator or HVDC System Owner that compliance with the relevant Grid Code provisions has been demonstrated for the Power Generating Module(s), OTSUA if applicable or HVDC Equipment as applicable through the issue of a Final Operational Notification. In respect of an Embedded Power Station or Embedded HVDC Equipment other than an Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded HVDC Equipment not subject to a Bilateral Agreement, The Company will notify the Network Operator that a Final Operational Notification has been issued, subject to the requirement to confirm continued compliance as per CP.8.2 as part of the Compliance Repeat Plan.

In relation to a **Generator** in respect of an **Embedded Small Power Station** with a **Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement** and a **Completion Date** on or after 05-09-2024, **The Company** shall issue **a Final-Balancing Compliance Notification** provided the following requirements are fulfilled:

- (i) The relevant **Network Operator** has issued a final operational notification; and
- (ii) All the unresolved items (if any) on the **Interim-Balancing Compliance Notification** are fulfilled to **The Company's**satisfaction.
- If a **Final Operational Notification** cannot be issued because the requirements of ECP.7.2 and ECP.7.3 have not been successfully met prior to the expiry of an **Interim Operational Notification** then the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** (where licensed in respect of its activities) and/or **The Company** shall apply to the **Authority** for a derogation. The provisions of ECP.10 shall then apply.

<u>Final Operational Notification in respect of Network Operator's and Non-</u> Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus

- ECP.7.6 The following provisions apply in relation to the issue of a **Final Operational Notification** in respect of **Network Operators** and **Non-Embedded Customers Plant** and **Apparatus**.
- Prior to the issue of a **Final Operational Notification** the **Network Operator** and **Non-Embedded Customer** must have addressed the **Unresolved Issues** to **The Company's** satisfaction to demonstrate compliance with the relevant **Grid Code** provisions.
- Prior to the issue of a **Final Operational Notification** the **Network Operator** and **Non-Embedded Customer** must submit to **The Company** to **The Company's** satisfaction:
  - (a) updated **Planning Code** data (both **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data**), with validated actual values and updated estimates for the future including **Forecast Data** items such as **Demand**:

- (b) any items required by ECP.5.2 and ECP.6.4 updated by the **User** as necessary;
- (c) evidence to **The Company's** reasonable satisfaction that demonstrates that the models and/or parameters as required under PC.A.2.2, PC.A.2.3, PC.A.2.4, PC.A.2.5, PC.A.4 and PC.A.6 (as applicable), supplied to **The Company** provide a reasonable representation of the behaviour of the **User's Plant** and **Apparatus**;
- (d) copies of Manufacturer's Test Certificates or Equipment Certificates issued by an Authorised Certifier or equivalent where these are relied upon as part of the evidence of compliance;
- (e) results from the tests and simulations required in accordance with ECP.A.8 carried out by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer to demonstrate compliance with relevant Grid Code requirements including any tests witnessed by The Company; and
- (f) the final Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance signed by the User and a statement of any requirements that the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer has identified that have not been met together with a copy of the derogation in respect of the same from the Authority.
- The items referred to at ECP.7.8 shall be submitted by the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** after successful completion of the tests required under ECP.7.8.
- If the requirements of ECP.7.8 have been successfully met, **The Company** will notify the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** that compliance with the relevant **Grid Code** provisions has been demonstrated for **Network Operators** or **Non-Embedded Customers Plant** and **Apparatus** as applicable through the issue of a **Final Operational Notification**.
- ECP.7.11 If a **Final Operational Notification** cannot be issued because the requirements of ECP.7.8 have not been successfully met prior to the expiry of an **Interim Operational Notification**, then the **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** and/or **The Company** shall apply to the **Authority** for a derogation. The provisions of ECP.10 shall then apply.

# ECP.8 COMPLIANCE REPEAT PLAN

- Position No later than 4 calendar years and 6 months after the issue of a Final Operational Notification, The Company will notify the Generator or HVDC System Owner that confirmation of continued compliance with the requirements of the Grid Code and/or the Bilateral Agreement.
- No later than 5 calendar years after the issue of a **Final Operational Notification**, the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** shall confirm that the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA** if applicable) is fully compliant with the requirements of the Grid Code and/or the **Bilateral Agreement**. The confirmation of compliance will include:
  - (a) a Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance signed by the EU Code User and a statement of any requirements that the Generator or HVDC System Owner has identified that have not been met together with a copy of the derogation in respect of the same from The Authority.

- (b) complete set of relevant Planning Code data (both Standard Planning Data and Detailed Planning Data), with validated actual values and updated estimates for the future including Forecast Data items such as Demand. Simulation Studies and results from tests detailed in Appendix ECP.A.3 ECP.A.8 inclusive are not required as part of the Compliance Repeat Plan.
- (c) an updated list of contact details for outage and network planning, which shall be updated by the **EU Code User** as needed; and
- (d) an updated list of email and telephone contact details for the User Site, which shall be updated by the EU Code User as needed. The persons specified in the contact details should be able to assist in the sharing of dynamic system behaviour monitoring data as well as supporting any post-Event investigations.

For the avoidance of doubt the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner**\_is responsible for ensuring that **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA** if applicable) remains compliant with the relevant clauses of the Grid Code and/or the **Bilateral Agreement** and/or connection site conditions notified by **The Company**.

- If the requirements of ECP.8.2 have been completed to The Company's satisfaction, The Company will notify the Generator or HVDC System Owner that compliance with the relevant Grid Code provisions has been demonstrated for the Power Generating Module(s), including DC Connected Power Park Module(s) and OTSUA, if applicable or HVDC Equipment as applicable through the issue of a Final Operational Notification subject to Compliance Repeat Plan (ECP.8) no later than 5 years from the date of issue. In respect of an Embedded Power Station or Embedded DC Converter Station other than Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded HVDC Systems not subject to a Bilateral Agreement, The Company will notify the Network Operator that a Final Operational Notification has been issued.
  - If a **Final Operational Notification** cannot be issued because the requirements of ECP.8.2 have not been successfully met prior to 5 years from the date of issue of the **Final Operational Notification**, then **The Company** will issue the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** (where licensed in respect of its activities) a **Limited Operational Notification** with respect to the **Unresolved Issues**. The provisions of ECP.9 shall then apply.

# ECP.9 <u>LIMITED OPERATIONAL NOTIFICATION</u>

- Following the issue of a Final Operational Notification (or Final-Balancing Compliance Notification) for a Power Station consisting of Type B, Type C or Type D Power Generating Module or an HVDC System or Network Operators or Non-Embedded Customers Plant and Apparatus if:
  - (i) the Generator or HVDC System Owner or Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer becomes aware, that its Plant and/or Apparatus' (including OTSUA if applicable) capability to meet any provisions of the Grid Code, or where applicable the Bilateral Agreement is not fully available then the Generator or HVDC System Owner or Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer shall follow the process in ECP.9.2 to ECP.9.11; or,

- (ii) a Network Operator becomes aware, that the capability of Plant and/or Apparatus belonging to an Embedded Power Station or Embedded HVDC Equipment Station (other than Embedded Medium Power Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement and Embedded HVDC Equipment Stations not subject to a Bilateral Agreement) is failing to meet any provisions of the Grid Code, or where applicable the Bilateral Agreement, then the Network Operator shall inform The Company and The Company shall inform the Generator or HVDC System Owner to then follow the process in ECP.9.2 to ECP.9.11; or,
- The Company becomes aware through monitoring as described in (iii) OC5.4, that a Generator or HVDC System Owner Plant and/or Apparatus (including OTSUA if applicable) capability to meet any provisions of the Grid Code, or where applicable the Bilateral Agreement is not fully available then The Company shall inform the other party. Where The Company and the Generator or HVDC System Owner cannot agree from the monitoring as described in OC5.4 whether the Plant and/or Apparatus (including OTSUA if applicable) is fully available and/or is compliant with the requirements of the Grid Code and where applicable the Bilateral Agreement, the parties shall first apply the process in OC5.5.1, before applying the process defined in ECP.9 (LON) if applicable. Where the testing instructed in accordance with OC.5.5.1 indicates that the Plant and/or Apparatus (including OTSUA if applicable) is not fully available and/or is not compliant with the requirements of the Grid Code and/or the Bilateral Agreement, or if the parties so agree, the process in ECP.9.2 to ECP.9.11 shall be followed.
- (iv) The Company becomes aware that a Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus capability to meet any provisions of the Grid Code, or where applicable the Bilateral Agreement, is not fully available then The Company shall inform the other party and the process in ECP.9.2 to ECP.9.11 shall be followed.
- (v) The Company becomes aware that a Generator's ability in respect of an Embedded Small Power Station with a Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreement and a Completion Date on or after 05-09-2024, to meet any provisions of the Grid Code, or where applicable the Bilateral Agreement is not fully available, then The Company shall issue a Limited-Balancing Compliance Notification.
- Immediately upon a Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer becoming aware that its Power Generating Module, OTSUA (if applicable), HVDC Equipment or Plant and Apparatus, as applicable may be unable to comply with certain provisions of the Grid Code or (where applicable) the Bilateral Agreement, the Generator, HVDC System Owner Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer shall notify The Company in writing. Additional details of any operating restrictions or changes in applicable data arising from the potential non-compliance and an indication of the date from when the restrictions will be removed and full compliance demonstrated shall be provided as soon as reasonably practical.
- ECP.9.3 If the nature of any unavailability and/or potential non-compliance described in ECP.9.1 causes or can reasonably be expected to cause a material adverse effect on the business or condition of **The Company** or other **Users** or the **National Electricity Transmission System** or any **User Systems**, then **The**

**Company** may, notwithstanding the provisions of this ECP.9, follow the provisions of Paragraph 5.4 of the **CUSC**.

- ECP.9.4 Except where the provisions of ECP.9.3 apply, where the restriction notified in ECP.9.2 is not resolved in 28 days, then
  - (i) the Generator or HVDC System Owner with input from and discussion of conclusions with The Company, and the Network Operator where the Synchronous Power Generating Module, CCGT Module, Power Park Module or Power Station as applicable is Embedded, shall undertake an investigation to attempt to determine the causes of and determine a solution to the non-compliance. Such investigation shall continue for no longer than 56 days. During such investigation, the Generator or HVDC System Owner shall provide to The Company the relevant data which has changed due to the restriction in respect of ECP.7.3.1 as notified to the Generator or HVDC System Owner by The Company as being required to be provided; or
  - (ii) the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer in discussion with The Company, shall undertake an investigation to attempt to determine the causes of and a solution to the non-compliance. Such investigation shall continue for no longer than 56 days. During such investigation the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer shall provide to The Company the relevant data which has changed due to the restriction in respect of ECP.7.8 as being required to be provided by The Company.

#### ECP.9.5 Issue and Effect of LON

- Following the issue of a **Final Operational Notification**, **The Company** will issue to the **Generator**, **HVDC System Owner**, **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** a **Limited Operational Notification** if:
  - (a) by the end of the 56 day period referred to at ECP.9.4, the investigation has not resolved the non-compliance to **The Company's** satisfaction; or
  - (b) The Company is notified by a Generator, HVDC System Owner (including OTSUA if applicable), Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer of a Modification to its Plant and Apparatus; or
  - (c) The Company receives a submission of data, or a statement from a Generator, HVDC System Owner (including OTSUA if applicable), Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer indicating a change in Plant or Apparatus or settings (including but not limited to governor and excitation control systems) that may in The Company's reasonable opinion, acting in accordance with Good Industry Practice be expected to result in a material change of performance.

In the case of an Embedded Generator or Embedded HVDC System Owner, The Company will issue a copy of the Limited Operational Notification to the Network Operator.

The Limited Operational Notification will be time limited (in the case of Type D Power Generating Modules, HVDC Systems, Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus to expire no later than 12 months from the start of the non-compliance or restriction or from reconnection following a change). The Company may agree a longer duration in the case of a Limited Operational Notification following a Modification or whilst the

**Authority** is considering the application for a derogation in accordance with ECP.10.1.

- The Limited Operational Notification will notify the Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer of any restrictions on the operation of the Synchronous Power Generating Module(s), CCGT Module(s), Power Park Module(s), OTSUA if applicable, HVDC Equipment or Plant and Apparatus and will specify the Unresolved Issues. The Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer must operate in accordance with any notified restrictions and must resolve the Unresolved Issues.
- The **User** and **The Company** will be deemed compliant with all the relevant provisions of the **Grid Code** provided operation is in accordance with the **Limited Operational Notification**, whilst it is in force, and that the provisions of and referred to in ECP.9 are complied with.
- ECP.9.5.5 The **Unresolved Issues** included in a **Limited Operational Notification** will show the extent that the provisions of ECP.7.2 (testing) and ECP.7.3 (final data submission) or ECP.7.8 (d) (e) (testing) and ECP7.8 (a) (c) (data submission, as applicable, shall apply. In respect of selecting the extent of any tests which may in **The Company's** view reasonably be needed to demonstrate the restored capability and in agreeing the time period in which the tests will be scheduled, **The Company** shall, where reasonably practicable, take account of the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner**'s input to contain its costs associated with the testing.
- In the case of a change or Modification, the Limited Operational Notification may specify that the affected Plant and Apparatus (including OTSUA if applicable) or associated Synchronous Power Generating Module(s) or Power Park Unit(s) must not be Synchronised or, in the case of Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus, operated until all of the following items, that in The Company's reasonable opinion are relevant, have been submitted to The Company to The Company's satisfaction:
  - (a) updated **Planning Code** data (both **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data**);
  - (b) details of any relevant special Power Station, Synchronous Power Generating Module(s), Power Park Module(s), OTSUA (if applicable), HVDC Equipment Station(s) or Network Operator's or Non-Embedded Customer's Plant and Apparatus protection as applicable. This may include Pole Slipping protection and islanding protection schemes; and
  - (c) simulation study provisions of Appendix ECP.A.3 or Appendix ECP.A.8 as appropriate and the results demonstrating compliance with **Grid Code** requirements relevant to the change or **Modification** as agreed by **The Company**; and
  - (d) a detailed schedule of the tests and the procedures for the tests required to be carried out by the Generator, HVDC Equipment Station, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer to demonstrate compliance with relevant Grid Code requirements as agreed by The Company. The schedule of tests shall be consistent with Appendix ECP.A.5, Appendix ECP.A.6 or Appendix ECP.A.8 as appropriate; and

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- (e) an interim Compliance Statement and a User Self Certification of Compliance completed by the User (including any Unresolved Issues) against the relevant Grid Code requirements including details of any requirements that the Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer has identified that will not or may not be met or demonstrated; and
- (f) any other items specified in the **LON**.
- ECP.9.5.7 The items referred to in ECP.9.5.6 shall be submitted by the **Generator** (including in respect of any **OTSUA** if applicable) or **HVDC System Owner** using the **User Data File Structure** or **Power Generation Module Document** as applicable.
- In the case of **Synchronous Power Generating Module(s**) only, the **Unresolved Issues** of the **LON** may require that the **Generator** must complete the following tests to **The Company's** satisfaction to demonstrate compliance with the relevant provisions of the **ECC**s prior to the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** being **Synchronised** to the **Total System**:
  - (a) those tests required to establish the open and short circuit saturation characteristics of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** (as detailed in Appendix ECP.A.5.3) to enable assessment of the short circuit ratio in accordance with ECC.6.3.2.3.4 or ECC.6.3.2.5. Such tests may be carried out at a location other than the **Power Station** site: and
  - (b) open circuit step response tests (as detailed in Appendix ECP.A.5.2) to demonstrate compliance with ECC.A.6.2.4.1.
- ECP.9.6 In the case of a change or **Modification**, not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in **The Company's** reasonable opinion:
  - (a) prior to the Generator or HVDC System Owner (including OTSUA if applicable) wishing to Synchronise its Plant and Apparatus for the first time following the change or Modification, the Generator or HVDC System Owner will:
  - (i) submit a **Notification of User's Intention to Synchronise**; and
  - (ii) submit to **The Company** the items referred to at ECP.9.5.6.
  - (b) prior to the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer wishing to operate its Plant and Apparatus for the first time following the change or Modification, the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer will;
    - (i) submit a Notification of User's intention to operate; and
    - (ii) submit to **The Company** the items referred to at ECP.9.5.6
- Other than Unresolved Issues that are subject to tests to be witnessed by The Company, the Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer must resolve any Unresolved Issues prior to the commencement of the tests, unless The Company agrees to a later resolution. The Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer must liaise with The Company in respect of such resolution. The tests that may be witnessed by The Company are specified in ECP.7.2.2.

- Not less than 28 days, or such shorter period as may be acceptable in The Company's reasonable opinion, prior to the Generator or HVDC System Owner wishing to commence tests listed as Unresolved Issues to be witnessed by The Company, the Generator or HVDC System Owner will notify The Company that the Synchronous Power Generating Module(s), CCGT Module(s), Power Park Module(s), OTSUA if applicable or HVDC Equipment as applicable is ready to commence such tests.
- ECP.9.9 The items referred to at ECP.7.3 or ECP.7.8 as applicable and listed as Unresolved Issues shall be submitted by the Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Embedded Customer after successful completion of the tests.
- ECP.9.10 Where the **Unresolved Issues** have been resolved a **Final Operational Notification** will be issued to the **User**.
- If a **Final Operational Notification** has not been issued by **The Company** as referred to at ECP.9.5.2 (or where agreed following a **Modification** by the expiry time of the **LON**) then the **Generator**, **HVDC System Owner**, **Network Operator** or **Non-Embedded Customer** (where licensed in respect of its activities) and **The Company** shall apply to the **Authority** for a derogation.

# ECP.10 PROCESSES RELATING TO DEROGATIONS

Whilst the Authority is considering the application for a derogation, the Interim Operational Notification or Limited Operational Notification will be extended to remain in force until the Authority has notified The Company and the Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer of its decision. Where the Generator or HVDC System Owner is not licensed, The Company may propose any necessary changes to the Bilateral Agreement with such unlicensed Generator or HVDC System Owner.

# ECP.10.2 If the **Authority**:

- (a) grants a derogation in respect of the Plant and/or Apparatus, then The Company shall issue Final Operational Notification once all other Unresolved Issues are resolved; or
- (b) decides a derogation is not required in respect of the Plant and/or Apparatus then The Company will reconsider the relevant Unresolved Issues and may issue a Final Operational Notification once all other Unresolved Issues are resolved; or
- (c) decides not to grant any derogation in respect of the Plant and/or Apparatus, then there will be no Operational Notification in place and The Company and the User shall consider its rights pursuant to the CUSC.
- Where an Interim Operational Notification or Limited Operational Notification is so conditional upon a derogation and such derogation includes any conditions (including any time limit to such derogation) the Generator, HVDC System Owner, Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer will progress the resolution of any Unresolved Issues and / or progress and / or comply with any conditions upon such derogation and the provisions of ECP.6 to ECP.7.11 shall apply and shall be followed.

# ECP.11 MANUFACTURER'S DATA & PERFORMANCE REPORT

- ECP.11.1.1 Data and performance characteristics in respect of certain **Grid Code** requirements may be registered with **The Company** by **Power Park Unit** manufacturers in respect of specific models of **Power Park Units** by submitting information in the form of a **Manufacturer's Data and Performance Report** to **The Company**.
- A Generator planning to construct a new Power Station containing the appropriate version of Power Park Units in respect of which a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report has been submitted to The Company may reference the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report in its submissions to The Company. Any Generator considering referring to a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report for any aspect of its Plant and Apparatus may contact The Company to discuss the suitability of the relevant Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report to its project to determine if, and to what extent, the data included in the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report contributes towards demonstrating compliance with those aspects of the Grid Code applicable to the Generator. The Company will inform the Generator if the reference to the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report is not appropriate or not sufficient for its project.
- ECP.11.1.3 The process to be followed by **Power Park Unit** manufacturers submitting a **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** is agreed by **The Company**. ECP.11.2 indicates the specific **Grid Code** requirement areas in respect of which a **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** may be submitted.
- The Company will maintain and publish a register of those Manufacturer's Data & Performance Reports which The Company has received and accepted as being an accurate representation of the performance of the relevant Plant and / or Apparatus. Such register will identify the manufacturer, the model(s) of Power Park Unit(s) to which the report applies and the provisions of the Grid Code in respect of which the report contributes towards the demonstration of compliance. The inclusion of any report in the register does not in any way confirm that any Power Park Modules which utilise any Power Park Unit(s) covered by a report is or will be compliant with the Grid Code.
- A Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report in respect of Power Park Units may cover one (or part of one) or more of the following provisions of the Grid Code:
  - (a) Fault Ride Through capability ECC.6.3.15, ECC.6.3.16.
  - (b) Power Park Module mathematical model PC.A.5.4.2.
- Reference to a **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report** in a **EU Code User's** submissions does not by itself constitute compliance with the **Grid Code**.
- A Generator referencing a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report should insert the relevant Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report reference in the appropriate place in the DRC data submission, Power Generating Module Document and / or in the User Data File Structure. The Company will consider the suitability of a Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report:
  - (a) in place of **DRC** data submissions, a mathematical model suitable for representation of the entire **Power Park Module** as per ECP.A.3.4.4. For the avoidance of doubt only the relevant sections as specified in

PC.A.2.5.5.7 apply. Site specific parameters will still need to be submitted by the Generator.

- (b) Not Used.
- to reduce the scope of compliance site tests as follows; (c)
  - Where there is a Manufacturer's Data & Performance (i) Report in respect of a Power Park Unit which covers Fault Ride Through, The Company may agree that no Fault Ride Through testing is required.
- ECP.11.5 It is the responsibility of the **EU Code User** to ensure that the correct reference for the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report is used and the EU Code User by using that reference accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the information. The EU Code User shall ensure that the manufacturer has kept The Company informed of any relevant variations in plant specification since the submission of the relevant Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report which could impact on the validity of the information.
- ECP.11.6 The Company may contact the Power Park Unit manufacturer directly to verify the relevance of the use of such Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report. If The Company believe the use some or all of such Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report information is incorrect or the referenced data is inappropriate, then the reference to the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report may be declared invalid by The Company. Where, and to the extent possible, the data included in the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report is appropriate, the compliance assessment process will be continued using the data included in the Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report.
- ECP.11.7 In the case of a co-located site, for example Electricity Storage Modules or Grid Forming Plant connected within a new or existing Power Station, The Company will accept demonstration of compliance at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (if Embedded) through a combination of the capabilities of the Power Generating Modules and Electricity Storage Modules (which could include Grid Forming Plant) or Electricity Storage Modules and Generating Units or Power Park Modules (which could include Grid Forming Plant). Generators or Grid Forming Plant Owners should however be aware that for the purposes of compliance, full Grid Code compliance should be demonstrated when, for example, the Electricity Storage Module or Grid Forming Plant is out of service and the remaining Power Generating Module is in service or the Electricity Storage Module or Grid Forming Plant is in service and the Power Generating Module is out of service. Equally, The Company will accept Manufacturer's Data & Performance Reports for the purposes of proving compliance at co-located sites.

# APPENDIX 1 NOT USED

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#### APPENDIX 2

**USER SELF CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE (Interim/Final)** 

This User Self Certification of Compliance records the compliance by the EU Code User in respect of [NAME] Power Station/HVDC Equipment Station with the Grid Code and the requirements of the Bilateral Agreement and Construction Agreement dated [ ] with reference number [ ]. It is completed by the **Power Station/HVDC System Owner** in the case of Plant and/or Apparatus connected to the National Electricity Transmission System and for **Embedded Plant**.

We have recorded our compliance against each requirement of the Grid Code which applies to the Power Station/HVDC Equipment Station, together with references to supporting evidence and a commentary where this is appropriate, and have provided this to The **Company**. A copy of the **Compliance Statement** is attached.

Supporting evidence, in the form of simulation results, test results, manufacturer's data and other documentation, is attached in the User Data File Structure.

The EU Code User hereby certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and acting in accordance with Good Industry Practice, the Power Station is compliant with the Grid Code and the Bilateral Agreement in all aspects [with the following Unresolved Issues\*] [with the following derogation(s)\*\*]:

Connection Condition	Requirement	Ref:	Issue

Compliance Name: Title: certified by: [PERSON] [PERSON DESIGNATION] Signature: Of [PERSON] [User details]

Date:

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<sup>\*</sup> Include for Interim User Self Certification of Compliance ahead of Interim Operational

<sup>\*\*</sup> Include for final User Self Certification of Compliance ahead of Final Operational Notification where derogation(s) have been granted. If no derogation(s) required delete wording and Table.

# **APPENDIX 3**

#### SIMULATION STUDIES

#### ECP.A.3.1 SCOPE

- ECP.A.3.1.1 This Appendix sets out the simulation studies required to be submitted to **The Company** to demonstrate compliance with the **European Connection Conditions** unless otherwise agreed with **The Company**. This Appendix should be read in conjunction with ECP.6 with regard to the submission of the reports to **The Company**. Where there is any inconsistency in the technical requirements in respect of which compliance is being demonstrated by simulation in this Appendix and ECC.6.3 and the **Bilateral Agreement**, the provisions of the **Bilateral Agreement** and ECC.6.3 prevail. The studies specified in this Appendix will normally be sufficient to demonstrate compliance. However, **The Company** may agree an alternative set of studies proposed by the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** provided **The Company** deem the alternative set of studies sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the **Grid Code** and the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECP.A.3.1.2 The **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** shall submit simulation studies in the form of a report to demonstrate compliance. In all cases the simulation studies must utilise models applicable to the **Synchronous Power Generating Module**, **HVDC Equipment** or **Power Park Module** with proposed or actual parameter settings. Reports should be submitted in English with all diagrams and graphs plotted clearly with legible axes and scaling provided to ensure any variations in plotted values is clear. In all cases, the simulation studies must be presented over a sufficient time period to demonstrate compliance with all applicable requirements.
- ECP.A.3.1.3 In the case of an **Offshore Power Station** where **OTSDUW Arrangements** apply simulation studies, the **Generator** should include the action of any relevant **OTSUA** where applicable to demonstrate compliance with the **Grid Code** and the **Bilateral Agreement** at the **Interface Point**.
- ECP.A.3.1.4 The Company will permit relaxation from the requirement ECP.A.3.2 to ECP.A.3.8 where an Equipment Certificate for the Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment has been provided which details the characteristics from appropriate simulations on a representative installation with the same equipment and settings and the performance of the Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment can, in The Company's opinion, reasonably represent that of the installed Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment.
- ECP.A.3.1.5 For Type B, Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules the relevant Equipment Certificate must be supplied in the Power Generating Module Document or Users Data File structure as applicable. For HVDC Equipment the relevant Equipment Certificates must be supplied in the Users Data File structure.
- ECP.A.3.1.6 In the case of a co-located site, for example Electricity Storage Modules or Grid Forming Plant connected within a new or existing Power Station, The Company will accept simulation studies to demonstrate compliance at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (if Embedded) through a combination of the capabilities of the Power Generating Modules (which could include Grid Forming Plant) and Electricity Storage Modules or Electricity Storage Modules (which could include Grid Forming Plant) and Generating Units or Power Park Modules. Generators should however be aware that for the purposes of simulations, full Grid Code compliance should be demonstrated when, for example, the Electricity Storage Module or Grid

Forming Plant is out of service and the remaining Power Generating Module is in service or the Electricity Storage Module or Grid Forming Plant is in service and the Power Generating Module is out of service.

# ECP.A.3.2 Power System Stabiliser Tuning

- ECP.A.3.2.1 In the case of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module** with an **Excitation System Power System Stabiliser** the **Power System Stabiliser** tuning simulation study report required by ECC.A.6.2.5.6 or required by the **Bilateral Agreement** shall contain:
  - (i) the Excitation System model including the Power System Stabiliser with settings as required under the Planning Code (PC.A.5.3.2(c)).
  - (ii) open circuit time series simulation study of the response of the **Excitation System** to a +10% step change from 90% to 100% terminal voltage.
  - (iii) on load time series dynamic simulation studies of the response of the Excitation System with and without the Power System Stabiliser to 2% and 10% steps in the reference voltage and a three phase short circuit fault applied to the higher voltage side of the Synchronous Power Generating Module transformer for 100ms. The simulation studies should be carried out with the Synchronous Power Generating Module operating at full Active Power and maximum leading Reactive Power import\_with the fault level at the Supergrid HV connection point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with The Company. The results should show the Synchronous Power Generating Module field voltage, terminal voltage, Power System Stabiliser output, Active Power and Reactive Power output.
  - (iv) gain and phase Bode diagrams for the open loop frequency domain response of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module Excitation System** with and without the **Power System Stabiliser**. These should be in a suitable format to allow assessment of the phase contribution of the **Power System Stabiliser** and the gain and phase margin of the **Excitation System** with and without the **Power System Stabiliser** in service.
  - (v) an eigenvalue plot to demonstrate that all modes remain stable when the **Power System Stabiliser** gain is increased by at least a factor of 3 from the designed operating value.
  - (vi) gain Bode diagram for the closed loop on load frequency domain response of the Synchronous Power Generating Module Excitation System with and without the Power System Stabiliser. The Synchronous Power Generating Module operating at full load and at unity power factor. These diagrams should be in a suitable format to allow comparison of the Active Power damping across the frequency range specified in ECC.A.6.2.6.3 with and without the Power System Stabiliser in service.

In the case of a Synchronous Power Generating Module that may operate as **Demand** (e.g. **Pump Storage**) the on-load simulations (ii) to (vi) should also carried out in both modes of operation.

ECP.A.3.2.2 In the case of **Onshore Non-Synchronous Power Generating Module**, **Onshore HVDC Equipment** and **Onshore Power Park Modules** and

**OTSDUW Plant** and **Apparatus** at the **Interface Point** the **Power System Stabiliser** tuning simulation study report required by ECC.A.7.2.4.1 or ECC.A.8.2.4 or required by the **Bilateral Agreement** shall contain:

- (i) the **Voltage Control System** model including the **Power System Stabiliser** with settings as required under the **Planning Code**(PC.A.5.4) and **Bilateral Agreement**.
- (ii) on load time series dynamic simulation studies of the response of the Voltage Control System with and without the Power System Stabiliser to 2% and 10% steps in the reference voltage and a three phase short circuit fault applied to the Grid Entry Point or the Interface Point in the case of OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus for 100ms. The simulation studies should be carried out operating at full Active Power and maximum leading Reactive Power import condition with the fault level at the Supergrid HV connection point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with The Company. The results should show appropriate signals to demonstrate the expected damping performance of the Power System Stabiliser.
  - (iii) any other simulation as specified in the **Bilateral Agreement** or agreed between the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** or **Offshore Transmission Licensee** and **The Company**.

# ECP.A.3.3 Reactive Capability across the Voltage Range

#### ECP.A.3.3.1

- (a) For a **Synchronous Power Generating Module**, the **Generator** shall supply simulation studies to demonstrate the capability to meet ECC.6.3.2 by submission of a report containing load flow simulation study results to demonstrate:
  - (i) the maximum lagging Reactive Power capability at Maximum Capacity when the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point if Embedded or Interface Point (in the case of OTSUA) voltage is at 105% of nominal.
  - (ii) the maximum leading Reactive Power capability at Maximum Capacity when the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point if Embedded or Interface Point (in the case of OTSUA) voltage is at 95% of nominal.
  - (iii) the maximum lagging Reactive Power capability at the Minimum Stable Operating Level when the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point if Embedded or Interface Point (in the case of OTSUA) voltage is at 105% of nominal.
  - (iv) the maximum leading **Reactive Power** capability at the **Minimum Stable Operating Level** when the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** if **Embedded** or **Interface Point** (in the case of **OTSUA**) voltage is at 95% of nominal.
- (b) For an **OSTUA** with an **Interface Point** above 33kV or **Power Park Modules** with a **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** above 33kV, the **Generator** shall demonstrate the capability to meet ECC.6.3.2 by submission of a report containing load flow simulation study results to demonstrate operation at points A, B, E and F in accordance with Figure ECC.A.7.2.2(b) or Figure ECC.A.8.2.2(b). The studies should be run with both the **OTSUA** and **Power Park Module** operating at **Maximum Capacity** and at the **Minimum Stable Operating Level**.

- (c) For an OSTUA with an Interface Point at or below 33kV or Power Park Modules with a Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point at or below 33kV, a load flow simulation study results to demonstrate operation at points A, B, E and F in accordance with Figure ECC.A.7.2.2(c) or Figure ECC.A.8.2.2(b). The studies should be run with both the OTSUA and Power Park Module operating at Maximum Capacity and at the Minimum Stable Operating Level.
- (d) For an HVDC system, the HVDC System Owner shall supply simulation studies to demonstrate the capability to meet ECC.6.3.2 by submission of a report containing load flow simulation study results to demonstrate operation at points A, B, E and F in accordance with Figure ECC.A.7.2.2(b). The studies should be run with both the HVDC System operating at the Maximum HVDC Active Power Transmission Capacity and Minimum HVDC Active Power Transmission Capacity.:
- ECP.A.3.3.2 In the case of a **Synchronous Power Generating Module** the terminal voltage in the simulation should be the nominal voltage for the machine.
- ECP.A.3.3.3 In the case of a **Power Park Module** where the load flow simulation studies show that the individual **Power Park Units** deviate from nominal voltage to meet the **Reactive Power** requirements then evidence must be provided from factory (e.g. in a **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report**) or site testing that the **Power Park Unit** is capable of operating continuously at the operating points determined in the load flow simulation studies.
- ECP.A.3.4 Voltage Control and Reactive Power Stability
- ECP.A.3.4.1 This section applies to **HVDC Equipment**; and **Type C & Type D Power Park Modules** to demonstrate the voltage control capability and **Type B Power Park Modules** to demonstrate the voltage control capability if specified by **The Company**.

In the case of a **Power Station** containing **Power Park Modules** and/or **OTSUA**, the **Generator** shall provide a report to demonstrate the dynamic capability and control stability of the **Power Park Module**. The report shall contain:

- a dynamic time series simulation study result of a sufficiently large negative step in **System** voltage to cause a change in **Reactive Power** from zero to the maximum lagging value at **Rated MW**.
- (ii) a dynamic time series simulation study result of a sufficiently large positive step in **System** voltage to cause a change in **Reactive Power** from zero to the maximum leading value at **Rated MW**.
- (iii) a dynamic time series simulation study result to demonstrate control stability at the lagging **Reactive Power** limit by application of a -2% voltage step while operating within 5% of the lagging **Reactive Power** limit.
- (iv) a dynamic time series simulation study result to demonstrate control stability at the leading **Reactive Power** limit by application of a +2% voltage step while operating within 5% of the leading **Reactive Power** limit.

 a dynamic time series simulation study result of a sufficiently large negative step in **System** voltage to cause a change in **Reactive Power** from the maximum leading value to the maximum lagging value at **Rated**

The **Generator** should also provide the voltage control study specified in ECP.A.3.7.4.

All the above studies should be completed with a network operating at the voltage applicable for zero **Reactive Power** transfer at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** if **Embedded** or, in the case of **OTSUA**, **Interface Point** unless stated otherwise. The fault level at the HV connection point should be set at the minimum level as agreed with **The Company**.

## ECP.A.3.5 Fault Ride Through and Fast Fault Current Injection

This section applies to **Type B**, **Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules** and **HVDC Equipment** to demonstrate the modules **Fault Ride Through** and **Fast Fault Current** injection capability.

The **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** shall supply time series simulation study results to demonstrate the capability of **Synchronous Power Generating Module**, **HVDC Equipment**, and **Power Park Modules** and **OTSUA** to meet ECC.6.3.15 and ECC.6.3.16 by submission of a report containing:

- (i) a time series simulation study of a 140ms three phase short circuit fault with a retained voltage as detailed in table A.3.5.1 below applied at the Grid Entry Point or (User System Entry Point if Embedded) of the Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment or OTSUA.
- (ii) a time series simulation study of 140ms unbalanced short circuit faults with a retained voltage as detailed in table 1 on the faulted phase(s) applied at the **Grid Entry Point** or (**User System Entry Point** if **Embedded**) of the **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** or **OTSUA.** The unbalanced faults to be simulated are:
  - 1. a phase to phase fault
  - 2. a two phase to earth fault
  - 3. a single phase to earth fault.

Power Generating Module	Retained
	Voltage
Synchronous Power Generating Module	
Type B	30%
Type C or Type D with Grid connection point	10%
voltage <110kV	
Type D with connection point voltage >110kV	0%
Power Park Module	
Type B or Type C or Type D with connection point	10%
voltage < 110kV	
Type D with connection point voltage >110kV	0%
HVDC Equipment	0%

Table A.3.5.1

For a **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** or **OTSUA** the simulation study should be completed with the **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** or **OTSUA** operating at full **Active Power** and maximum leading **Reactive Power** and the fault level at

the **Supergrid** HV connection point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with **The Company** as detailed in ECC.6.3.15.8.

- (iii) time series simulation studies of balanced Supergrid voltage dips applied on the nearest point of the National Electricity Transmission System operating at Supergrid voltage to the Synchronous Power Generating Module or OTSUA. The simulation studies should include:
  - 1. 50% retained voltage lasting 0.45 seconds
  - 2. 70% retained voltage lasting 0.81 seconds
  - 3. 80% retained voltage lasting 1.00 seconds
  - 4. 85% retained voltage lasting 180 seconds.

For a Synchronous Power Generating Module or OTSUA, the simulation study should be completed with the Synchronous Power Generating Module or OTSUA operating at full Active Power and zero Reactive Power output and the fault level at the Supergrid HV connection point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with The Company. Where the Synchronous Power Generating Module is Embedded, the minimum Network Operator's System impedance to the Supergrid HV Connection Point shall be used which may be calculated from the maximum fault level at the User System Entry Point.

- (iv) time series simulation studies of balanced Supergrid voltage dips applied on the nearest point of the National Electricity Transmission System operating at Supergrid voltage to the HVDC Equipment or Power Park Module. The simulation studies should include:
  - 1. 30% retained voltage lasting 0.384 seconds
  - 2. 50% retained voltage lasting 0.71 seconds
  - 3. 80% retained voltage lasting 2.5 seconds
  - 4. 85% retained voltage lasting 180 seconds.

For Power Park Modules the simulation study should be completed with the HVDC Equipment or Power Park Module operating at full Active Power and zero Reactive Power output and the fault level at the Supergrid HV Connection Point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with The Company. Where the Power Park Module is Embedded the minimum Network Operator's System impedance to the Supergrid HV Connection Point shall be used which may be calculated from the maximum fault level at the User System Entry Point.

- (v) time series simulation studies of balanced Supergrid voltage dips applied on the nearest point of the National Electricity Transmission System operating at Supergrid voltage to the HVDC Equipment. The simulation studies should include:
  - 1. 30% retained voltage
  - 2. 50% retained voltage
  - 3. 80% retained voltage
  - 4. 85% retained voltage

For HVDC Equipment the simulation study should be completed with the HVDC Equipment operating at full Active Power transfer and zero Reactive Power output and the fault level at the Supergrid HV connection point at minimum or as otherwise agreed with The Company. Where the HVDC Equipment is Embedded the minimum Network Operator's System impedance to the Supergrid HV connection point shall be used which may be calculated from the maximum fault level at the User System Entry Point.

For **HVDC Equipment** the duration of each voltage dip 1 to 4 above should demonstrate the requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement**.

- ECP.A.3.5.2 Not Used.
- ECP.A.3.5.3 In the case of a **Power Park Module** the studies detailed in ECP.A.3.5.1 should be repeated to demonstrate compliance during foreseeable running arrangements resulting from outages of major Plant and Apparatus (for example outage of the main export cable in the case of **OTSDUW** or module step up transformer where alternative export connections are possible). For these conditions, the Power Park Module Active Power output may be reduced to levels appropriate to the planned operating regime proposed by the Generator. The Generator shall consult The Company on alternative running arrangements and agree with The Company the running arrangements that will be studied prior to the Generator undertaking the studies. For the avoidance of doubt, compliance of a Power Park Module with Fault Ride Through requirements remains the responsibility of the Generator under all operating conditions.
- ECP.A.3.5.4 In the case of a Power Park Module with a Registered Capacity greater or equal to 100MW, the studies detailed in ECP.A.3.5.1 should be repeated with 50% of the Power Park Units Synchronised to the Total System. In the case of a Power Station containing multiple Power Park Modules or multiple Offshore Power Park Modules connected to an Offshore Transmission System or OTSDUW the study should include all Power Park Modules with 50% of the Power Park Units Synchronised to the Total System.
- ECP.A.3.5.5 In the case of **HVDC Equipment** the studies detailed in ECP.A.3.5.1 should be repeated to demonstrate compliance during foreseeable running arrangements resulting from outages of major Plant and Apparatus (for example outage of an HVDC cable or convertor. For these conditions, the HVDC Equipment Active Power transfer may be reduced to levels appropriate to the planned operating regime. The Generator or HVDC System Owner shall consult The **Company** on alternative running arrangements and agree with **The Company** the running arrangements that will be studied prior to the Generator or HVDC System Owner undertaking the studies. For the avoidance of doubt, compliance of HVDC Equipment with Fault Ride Through requirements remains the responsibility of the Generator or HVDC System Owner under all operating conditions.
- ECP.A.3.6 <u>Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode – Over Frequency (LFSM-O)</u>
- ECP.A.3.6.1 This section applies to Type B, Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules, HVDC Equipment to demonstrate the capability to modulate Active **Power** at high frequency as required by ECC6.3.7.3.5(ii).
- The simulation study should comprise of a **Power Generating Module** or ECP.A.3.6.2 HVDC Equipment connected to the total System with a local load shown as "X" in figure ECP.A.3.6.1. The load "X" is in addition to any auxiliary load of the Power Station connected directly to the Power Generating Module or HVDC **Equipment** and represents a small portion of the **System** to which the **Power** Generating Module or HVDC Equipment is attached. The value of "X" should be the minimum for which the Power Generating Module or HVDC

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**Equipment** can control the power island **Frequency** to less than 52Hz consistent with ECC.6.3.7.3.5(ii). Where transient excursions above 52Hz occur the **Generator** or **HVDC Equipment Owner** should ensure that the duration above 52Hz is less than any high **Frequency** protection system applied to the **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment**.

- For HVDC Equipment and Power Park Modules consisting of units connected wholly by power electronic devices the simulation methodology may be modified by the addition of a Synchronous Power Generating Module (G2) connected as indicated in Figure ECP.A.3.6.2. This additional Synchronous Power Generating Module should have an inertia constant of 3.5MWs/MVA, be initially operating at rated power output and unity Power Factor. The mechanical power of the Synchronous Power Generating Module (G2) should remain constant throughout the simulation.
- ECP.A.3.6.4 At the start of the simulation study the **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** will be operating maximum **Active Power** output. The **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** will then be islanded from the **Total System** but still supplying load "X" by the opening of a breaker, which is not the **Power Generating Module** or **HVDC Equipment** connection circuit breaker (the governor should therefore, not receive any signals that the breaker has opened other than the reduction in load and subsequent increase in speed). A schematic arrangement of the simulation study is illustrated by Figure ECP.A.3.6.1.

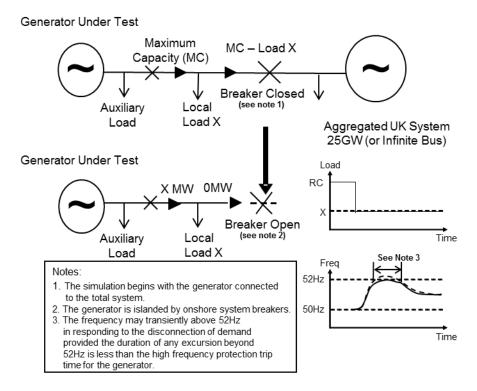


Figure ECP.A.3.6.1 - Diagram of Load Rejection Study

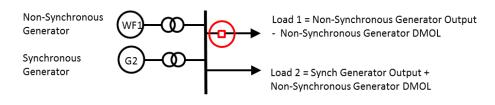


Figure ECP.A.3.6.2 – Addition of Generator G2 if applicable

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- A simulation study shall be performed for Type B, C & D Power Generating Modules in Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode (LFSM) and Frequency Sensitive Mode (FSM) for Type C & D Power Generating Modules. The simulation study results should indicate Active Power and Frequency.
- ECP.A.3.6.6 To allow validation of the model used to simulate load rejection in accordance with ECC.6.3.7.3.5 as described, a further simulation study is required to represent the largest positive **Frequency** injection step or fast ramp (BC1 and BC3 of Figure 2) that will be applied as a test as described in ECP.A.5.8 and ECP.A.6.6.
- ECP.A.3.6.7 The above suite of simulation studies equally apply for **Electricity Storage Modules** when in an export mode of operation and should also demonstrate transition to an import mode of operation in line with the stated **Droop** characteristics of the **Electricity Storage Module** when in an import mode of operation. Three simulation studies need to be carried out:
  - i) The Electricity Storage Module should initially be operating at zero Active Power output and have sufficient capability so that it is possible to operate the Electricity Storage Module at Maximum Capacity and Maximum Import Power. The above suite of simulation studies as detailed in ECP.A.3.6.1 ECP.A.3.6.6 should then be conducted to ensure the Electricity Storage Modules Active Power output achieves its Maximum Import Power in line with the Droop and response time settings as declared by the Generator.
  - ii) The Electricity Storage Module should be operating at 50% of its Maximum Import Power and have sufficient capability so that it is possible to operate the Electricity Storage Module at Maximum Capacity and Maximum Import Power. The above suite of simulation studies should then be conducted to ensure the Electricity Storage Modules Active Power output achieves its Maximum Import Power in line with the Droop and response time settings as declared by the Generator.
  - iii) The Electricity Storage Module should be operating at its Maximum Import Power. The above suite of simulation studies should then be conducted to ensure the Electricity Storage Modules Active Power remains at its Maximum Import Power, unless it is in Frequency Sensitive Mode and the tested Frequency falls below 50.5Hz.

# <u>Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode – Under Frequency (LFSM-U)</u>

ECP.A.3.6.7 This section applies to:

Synchronous Power Generating Modules, Type C & D; or, HVDC Equipment; or,

**Power Park Modules, Type C & D** to demonstrate the modules capability to modulate Active Power at low frequency.

- To demonstrate the LFSM-U low Frequency control when operating in Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode the Generator or HVDC System Owner shall submit a simulation study representing the response of the Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment operating at 80% of Maximum Capacity. The simulation study event shall be equivalent to:
  - (i) a sufficiently large reduction in the measured **System Frequency** ramped over 10 seconds to cause an increase in **Active Power** output to the **Maximum Capacity** followed by

- (ii) 60 seconds of steady state with the measured **System Frequency** depressed to the same level as in ECP.A.3.6.8.1 (i) as illustrated in Figure ECP.A.3.6.1 below.
- (iii) then increase of the measured System Frequency ramped over 10 seconds to cause a reduction in Active Power output back to the original Active Power level followed by at least 60 seconds of steady output.

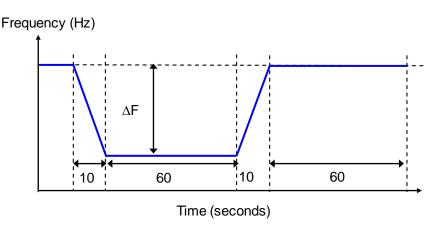


Figure ECP.A.3.6.1

Operation of **Electricity Storage Modules** in an import mode of operation during low **System Frequencies** 

ECP.A.3.6.9 For **Generators** in respect of **Electricity Storage Modules** who are unable to deload from an import mode of operation to an export mode of operation during low **System Frequencies** as defined in ECC.6.3.7.2.3 and have agreed with **The Company** that they can comply with the requirements of OC6.6.6 as provided for in ECC.6.3.7.2.3.1, the simulation studies as detailed in ECP.A.3.6.10 shall apply.

For **Generators** in respect of **Electricity Storage Modules** who can satisfy the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.3 (except ECC.6.3.7.2.3.1 to which OC6.6.6 refers) the simulation studies as detailed in ECP.A.3.6.11 shall apply.

- ECP.A.3.6.10 The **Generator** shall submit a simulation study representing the response of the **Electricity Storage Module** operating at **Maximum Import Power** followed by a simulated fall in **System Frequency**. The simulation study shall demonstrate that:-
  - (i) For a sufficiently large reduction in the simulated **System Frequency** ramped over 10 seconds over the **Frequency** range 49.5 Hz to 48.85 Hz, the simulation shall be sufficient to demonstrate the tripping of each **Demand** block (as specified in the **Bilateral Agreement**).
  - (ii) The simulation study shall demonstrate the tripping of each **Demand** block at the specified **Frequency** and time of disconnection following the **Frequency** excursion at the specified setting. The simulation study results shall be assessed against the settings in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECP.A.3.6.11 For **Generators** in respect of **Electricity Storage Modules** who can satisfy the **Droop** requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.3, the **Generator** shall submit simulation studies representing the response of the **Electricity Storage Module**. The simulation studies shall comprise:-

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- (i) Initial conditions where the **Electricity Storage Module** shall be operating at its **Maximum Import Power** with the **Electricity Storage Module** in **Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode**.
- (ii) A simulation signal shall be applied which ramps the **System Frequency** from 50Hz to 49.0Hz at a rate of 2Hz/s. The **System Frequency** shall be held at 49.0Hz for 60s and the then ramped back to 50Hz in 10s as shown in Figure ECP.3.6.4.
- (iii) The simulated results should show a reduction in **Active Power** in accordance with the requirement of ECC.6.3.7.2.3.1. When the test injection signal is held at 49.0Hz, the **Active Power** output of the **Electricity Storage Module** should achieve a steady state operating point in no more than 10s and this should be maintained whilst the test frequency signal is held at 49.0Hz.
- (iv) The above simulation described (i) (iii) above shall be repeated but the minimum test frequency applied shall be to 48.8Hz as shown in Figure ECP.3.6.5.
- (v) The above tests shall be repeated when the **Electricity Storage Module** is operating at 40% of its **Maximum Import Power**.

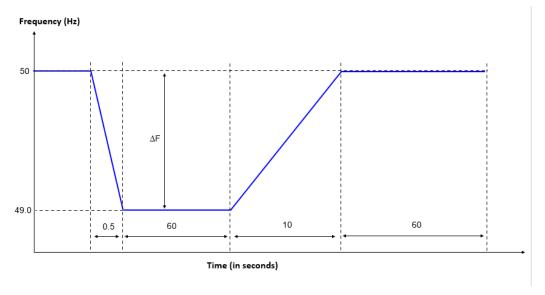


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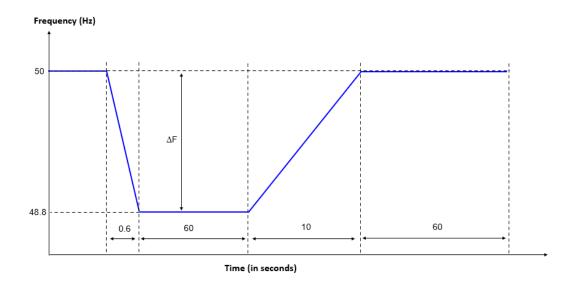


Figure ECP.A.3.6.5

- ECP.A.3.6.12 In addition to the requirements of ECP.A.3.6.11 a set of simulation studies shall be submitted to demonstrate the performance of the **Electricity Storage Module** during extreme **Frequency** conditions. The simulated studies shall comprise:-
  - Initial conditions where the Electricity Storage Module shall be operating at its Maximum Import Power with the Electricity Storage Module in Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode.
  - (ii) A simulation signal which ramps the **System Frequency** from 50Hz to 48.3Hz over 20s. The **System Frequency** shall be held at 48.3Hz for 60s and the then ramped back to 50Hz in 20s as shown in Figure ECP.3.6.6.
  - (iii) The simulation shall demonstrate of the ability of the **Electricity Storage Module** to reach its **Maximum Capacity** (or otherwise) in accordance with the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.3. When the test injection signal is held at 48.3Hz, the **Active Power** output of the **Electricity Storage Module** should achieve a steady state operating point in no more than 10s and this should be maintained whilst the test frequency signal is held at 48.3Hz.
  - (iv) An applied simulated signal which ramps from 48.3Hz to 50Hz over a 20s period. The Electricity Storage Module should return back to its Maximum Import Power at 49.5Hz in line with the performance requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.3.

The above test shall be repeated with the **Electricity Storage Module** is operating at 50% of its **Maximum Import Power**.

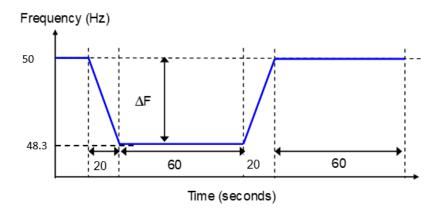


Figure ECP.A.3.6.6

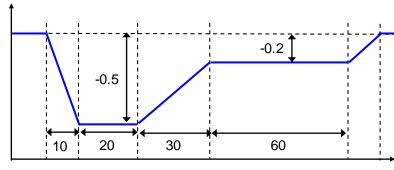
# ECP.A.3.7 Voltage and **Frequency** Controller Model Verification and Validation

ECP.A.3.7.1 For Type C and Type D Synchronous Power Generating Modules, HVDC Equipment, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus or Power Park Modules, the Generator (including those undertaking OTSDUW) or HVDC System Owner shall provide simulation studies to verify that the proposed controller models supplied to The Company under the Planning Code are fit for purpose. These simulation study results shall be provided in the timescales stated in the Planning Code.

ECP.A.3.7.2 To demonstrate the **Frequency** control or governor/load controller/plant model the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** shall submit a simulation study representing the response of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module**, **HVDC Equipment** or **Power Park Module** operating at 80% of **Maximum Capacity**. The simulation study event shall be equivalent to:

- (i) a ramped reduction in the measured **System Frequency** of 0.5Hz in 10 seconds followed by
- (ii) 20 seconds of steady state with the measured **System Frequency** depressed by 0.5Hz followed by
- (iii) a ramped increase in measured **System Frequency** of 0.3Hz over 30 seconds followed by
- (iv) 60 seconds of steady state with the measured **System Frequency** depressed by 0.2Hz as illustrated in Figure ECP.A.3.7.2 below.





Time (seconds)

## Figure ECP.A.3.7.2

The simulation study shall show **Active Power** output (MW) and the equivalent of **Frequency** injected.

- ECP.A.3.7.3 To demonstrate the **Excitation System** model the **Generator** shall submit simulation studies representing the response of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** as follows:
  - (i) operating open circuit at rated terminal voltage and subjected to a 10% step increase in terminal voltage reference from 90% to 100%.
  - (ii) operating at **Rated MW**, nominal terminal voltage and unity **Power Factor** subjected to a 2% step increase in the voltage reference. Where a **Power System Stabiliser** is included within the **Excitation System** this shall be in service.

The simulation study shall show the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** terminal voltage, field voltage, **Active Power**, **Reactive Power** and **Power System Stabiliser** output signal as appropriate.

- ECP.A.3.7.4 To demonstrate the Voltage Controller model the **Generator** (including those undertaking **OTSDUW**) or **HVDC System Owner** shall submit a simulation study representing the response of the **HVDC Equipment**, **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** or **Power Park Module** operating at **Rated MW** and unity **Power Factor** at the connection point to a 2% step increase in the voltage reference. The simulation study shall show the terminal voltage, **Active Power**, **Reactive Power** and **Power System Stabiliser** output signal as appropriate.
- ECP.A.3.7.5 To validate that the excitation and voltage control models submitted under the Planning Code are a reasonable representation of the dynamic behaviour of the Synchronous Power Generating Module, OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus, HVDC Equipment or Power Park Module as built, the Generator or HVDC System Owner shall repeat the simulation studies outlined above but using the operating conditions of the equivalent tests. The simulation study results shall be displayed overlaid on the actual test results.
- ECP.A.3.7.6 For Type C and Type D Synchronous Power Generating Modules or HVDC Equipment to validate that the governor/load controller/plant or Frequency control models submitted under the Planning Code is a reasonable representation of the dynamic behaviour of the Synchronous Power Generating Module or HVDC Equipment Station as built, the Generator or HVDC System Owner shall repeat the simulation studies outlined above but using the operating conditions of the equivalent tests. The simulation study results shall be displayed overlaid on the actual test results.
- ECP.A.3.8 <u>Sub-synchronous Resonance control and Power Oscillation Damping control for HVDC System.</u>
- ECP.A.3.8.1 To demonstrate the compliance of the sub-synchronous control capability with ECC.6.3.17.1) and the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement**, the **HVDC System Owner** shall submit a simulation study report.
- ECP.A.3.8.2 Where power oscillation damping control function is specified on a **HVDC Equipment** the **HVDC System Owner** shall submit a simulation study report to demonstrate the compliance with ECC.6.3.17.2 and the terms of the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECP.A.3.8.3 The simulation studies should utilise the **HVDC Equipment** control system models including the settings as required under the **Planning Code**

(PC.A.5.3.2). The network conditions for the above simulation studies should be discussed with **The Company** prior to commencing any simulation studies.

## ECP.A.3.9 **Grid Forming Plant** verification and validation

- ECP.A.3.9.1 This section applies to **Users** and **Non-CUSC Parties** who own and operate **GBGF-I Plant** to demonstrate the ability of their **Grid Forming Plant** to satisfy the requirements of ECC.6.3.19. For the avoidance of doubt these requirements are not necessary from owner and operators of **GBGF-S Plant**.
- ECP.A.3.9.2 For initial approval **Users** and **Non-CUSC Parties** are required to submit the following data of their **Grid Forming Plant** to **The Company**:
  - a) The representation of their **Grid Forming Plant** in a format either the same as Figure PC.A.5.8.1 of PC.A.5.8.1 or in an equivalent format.
  - b) The data associated with their **Grid Forming Plant** as required in PC.A.5.8.1
  - c) A linearised model and parameters of the Grid Forming Plant in the frequency domain in the same format as required in PC.A.5.8.1 or equivalent.
  - d) A **Network Frequency Perturbation Plot** with a **Nichols Chart** demonstrating the equivalent **Damping Factor**.
  - e) For the items a) to d) the **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** can submit the data in any equivalent format as agreed with **The Company**.
- For **GBGF-I**, the **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** may be required to supply other versions of the **Network Frequency Perturbation Plot** for different input and output signals as defined by **The Company**.
- For final approval, **Users** and **Non-CUSC Parties** are required to demonstrate that the **GBGF\_I** model is capable of supplying **Active ROCOF Response Power**, and **Active Phase Jump Power**, and submit a full 3 phase simulation study in the time domain representing the response of the **Grid Forming Plant** over a range of operating conditions. The simulation study shall comprise of the following stages.
  - i) A simulation study to the equivalent shown in Figure ECP.A.3.9.4.

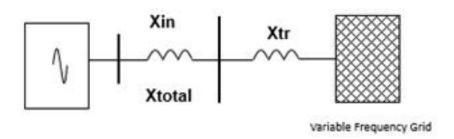


Figure ECP.A.3.9.4

ii) The first simulation test is to demonstrate that the GBGF-I model is capable of supplying Active ROCOF Response Power to the Total System as a result of a System Frequency change. In this simulation, with the Grid Forming Plant initially running at Registered Capacity or Maximum Capacity, the Grid System Frequency is increased from 50Hz to 51Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s with measurements of

- the **Grid Forming Plant's Active ROCOF Response Power**, **System Frequency** and time in (ms). The simulation is required to assess correct operation of the **Grid Forming Plant** without saturating. Repeat for 50Hz to 49Hz at 1Hz.s
- iii) The second simulation test is to demonstrate the **GBGF-I's** ability to supply **Active ROCOF Response Power** and asses its withstand capability under extreme **System Frequencies**. The Grid **System Frequency** is increased from 50Hz to 52Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s with measurements of the **Active ROCOF Response Power**, **System Frequency** and time in (ms). This is repeated when the Grid **System Frequency** is increased from 50Hz to 52Hz at a rate of 2 Hz/s with measurements of the **Active ROCOF Response Power**, **System Frequency** and time in (ms). Repeat for 50Hz to 48 Hz at 1 Hz/s and 50Hz to 48 Hz at 2 Hz/s.
- <u>iv)</u> The third simulation is to demonstrate the **Grid Forming Plant's** ability to supply **Active ROCOF Response Power** over the full **System Frequency** range.
  - (a) With the System Frequency set to 50Hz, the Grid Forming Plant should be initially running at 75% Maximum Capacity or 75% Registered Capacity, zero MVAr output and both Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode and Frequency Sensitive Mode disabled.
  - (b) The System Frequency is then increased from 50Hz to 52Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s over a 2 second period. Allow conditions to stabilise for 5 seconds and then decrease the System Frequency from 52Hz to 47Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s over a 5 second period. Allow conditions to stabilise.
  - (c) Record results of phase based **Active ROCOF Response Power**, **Reactive Power**, voltage and **System Frequency**.
  - (d) The simulation now needs to be re-run in the opposite direction. The same initial conditions should be applied as per ECP.A.3.9.2iv) (a).
  - (e) The System Frequency is then decreased from 50Hz to 47Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s over a 3 second period. Allow conditions to stabilise for 5 seconds and then increase the System Frequency from 47Hz to 52Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s over a 5 second period. Allow conditions to stabilise.
  - (f) Record results of **Active ROCOF Response Power**, **Reactive Power**, voltage and **System Frequency**.
  - (g) The simulation is required to ensure the Grid Forming Plant can deliver Active ROCOF Response Power without going into saturation and that a behaviour that is equivalent to pole slipping does not occur.
- v) The fourth simulation is to demonstrate the **Grid Forming Plant's** ability to supply **Active Phase Jump Power** under normal operation.
  - (a) With the **System Frequency** set to 50Hz, the **Grid Forming Plant** should initially be running at **Maximum Capacity** or **Registered Capacity** or a suitable loading point to demonstrate **Grid Forming Capability** as agreed with **The Company**, zero MVAr output and all control actions (e.g. **Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode**, **Frequency Sensitive Mode** and voltage control) disabled.
  - (b) Apply a positive phase jump of the **Phase Jump Angle Limit** value at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point**.

- (c) Record traces of Active Power, Reactive Power, voltage, current and System Frequency for a period of 10 seconds after the step change in phase has been applied. Repeat with a negative phase jump.
- <u>vi)</u> The fifth simulation is to demonstrate the **Grid Forming Plant's** ability to supply **Active Phase Jump Power** under extreme conditions.
  - (a) With the System Frequency set to 50Hz, the Grid Forming Plant should be initially running at its Minimum Stable Operating Level or Minimum Stable Generation, zero MVAr output and all control actions (e.g. Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode, Frequency Sensitive Mode and voltage control) disabled.
  - (b) Apply a phase jump equivalent to the positive **Phase Jump Angle Withstand** value at the **Grid**.
  - (c) Record traces of Active Power, Reactive Power, voltage, current and System Frequency for a period of 10 seconds after the step change in phase has been applied. Repeat with a negative phase jump.
  - (d) Repeat steps (a), (b) and (c) of ECP.A.3.9.4(vi) but on this occasion apply a phase jump equivalent to the positive **Phase Jump Angle Limit** at the Grid.
- vii) The sixth simulation is to demonstrate the **Grid Forming Plant's** ability to supply **Fault Ride Through** and **GBGF Fast Fault Current Injection** during a faulted condition
  - (a) With the System Frequency set to 50Hz, the Grid Forming Plant should be initially running at its Maximum Capacity or Registered Capacity, zero MVAr output and all control actions (e.g., Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode, Frequency Sensitive Mode, GBGF Fast Fault Current Injection, Fault Ride Through and voltage control other than current limiters) disabled.
  - (b) Apply a solid three phase short circuit fault at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** for 140ms.
  - (c) Record traces of Active Power, Reactive Power, voltage, current and System Frequency for a period of 10 seconds after the fault has been applied. The GBGF-I's current limit should be observed to operate.
  - (d) Repeat steps (a) to (c) but on this occasion with Fault Ride Through, GBGF Fast Fault Current Injection, Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode and voltage control switched into service.
  - (e) Record traces of **Active Power**, **Reactive Power**, voltage, current and **System Frequency** for a period of 10 seconds after the fault has been applied and confirm correct operation.
- ECP.A.3.9.5 To demonstrate the **GBGF-I** model is capable of supplying **Active ROCOF Response Power** and **Active Phase Jump Power**, under extreme conditions the **Grid Forming Plant Owner** shall submit a simulation study representing the response of the **Grid Forming Plant**. To demonstrate the performance of the **Grid Forming Plant** under these conditions, the simulation study shall represent the following scenario.

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i) The **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** in respect of **GBGF-I** should supply a simulation study to **The Company** equivalent to Figure ECP.A.3.9.5.

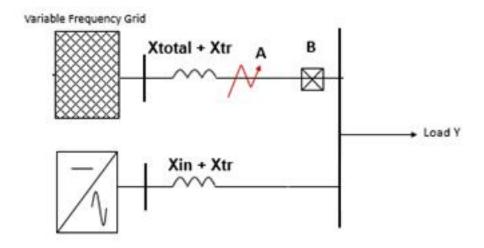


Figure ECP.A.3.9.5

- ii) In this simulation (as shown in Figure ECP.A.3.9.5) the parameters of the variable frequency Grid shall be supplied by **The Company**. The Load Y is also defined by **The Company**.
- iii) With the system running in steady state the **GBGF-I** and the variable frequency AC Grid should each be running at load Y/2 with the **System Frequency** of the test network being 50Hz. All control actions (e.g., **Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode**, **Frequency Sensitive Mode** and voltage control) should be disabled.
- <u>iv)</u> With the system in steady state, apply a solid (zero impedance) three phase short circuit fault at point A of Figure ECP.A.3.9.3 and then open circuit breaker B, 140ms after the fault has been applied.
- v) Record traces of **Active Power**, **Reactive Power**, voltage and **System Frequency** and record for a period of time after fault inception after allowing conditions to stabilise.
- ECP.A.3.9.6 To demonstrate the **Grid Forming Plant** model is capable of contributing to **Active Damping Power**, the **GBGF-I** owner is required to supply a simulation study by injecting a **Test Signal** in the time domain into the model of the **GBGF-I**.

The **GBGF-I** model should take the equivalent form shown in either Figure ECP.A.3.9.6(a) or Figure ECP.A.3.9.6(b) as applicable. Each **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** can use their own design, that may be very different to Figures ECP.A.3.9.6(a) or ECP.A.3.9.6 (b) but should contain all relevant functions. In either case the following tests should be completed, and results supplied to

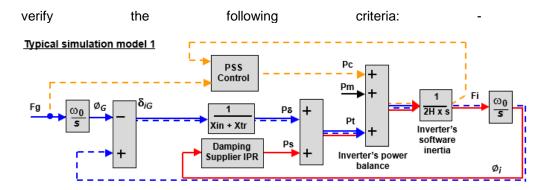


Figure ECP.A.3.9.6(a)

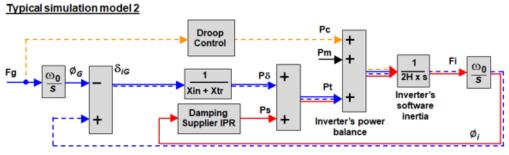


Figure ECP.A.3.9.6(b)

- <u>i)</u> Demonstration of **Damping** by injecting a **Test Signal** in the time domain at the **Grid Oscillation Value** and frequency into the model of the **GBGF-I**. An acceptable performance will be judged when the result matches the **NFP Plot** declared by the **Grid Forming Plant Owner** as submitted in PC.A.5.8.1(i)
- ii) Test i) is repeated with variations in the frequency of the **Test Signal**. An acceptable performance will be judged when the result matches the **NFP Plot** declared by the **Grid Forming Plant Owner** as submitted in PC.A.5.8.1(i).
- iii) Demonstration of phase based **Active Control Output Power** (or Pc) by injecting a **Test Signal** into the **Grid Forming Plant** controller to demonstrate that the **Active Control Based Power** output is supplied below the 5Hz bandwidth limit. An acceptable performance will be judged where the overshoot and decay matches the **Damping Factor** declared by the **Grid Forming Plant Owner** as submitted in PC.A.5.8.1 in addition to assessment against the requirements of CC.A.6.2.6.1 or ECC.A.6.2.6.1 or CC.A.7.2.2.5 or ECC.A.7.2.5.2 as applicable.

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## **APPENDIX 4**

# ONSITE SIGNAL PROVISION FOR WITNESSING TESTS

During any tests witnessed on-site by **The Company**, the following signals shall be provided to **The Company** by the **Generator** undertaking **OTSDUW or HVDC System Owner** in accordance with ECC.6.6.3.

# ECP.A.4.2 Synchronous Power Generating Modules

ECP.A.4.2(a)	MW - Active Power at Synchronous
All Tests	Generating Unit terminals
ECP.A.4.2(b)	MVAr - Reactive Power at terminals
Reactive &	Vt - Synchronous Generating Unit terminal
Excitation	voltage
System	Efd- Synchronous Generating Unit field
	voltage and/or main exciter field voltage
	Ifd - Synchronous Generating Unit Field
	current (where possible)
	Power System Stabiliser output, where
	applicable.
	Noise – Injected noise signal (where applicable)
	and possible)
ECP.A.4.2(c)	<ul> <li>Fsys - System Frequency</li> </ul>
Governor System	Finj - Injected Speed Setpoint
& Frequency	<ul> <li>Logic - Stop / Start Logic Signal</li> </ul>
Response	For Gas Turbines:
	GT Fuel Demand
	GT Fuel Valve Position
	GT Inlet Guide Vane Position
	GT Exhaust Gas Temperature
	For Steam Turbines at >= 1Hz:
	<ul> <li>Pressure before Turbine Governor Valves</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Turbine Governor Valve Positions</li> </ul>
	Governor Oil Pressure*
	Boiler Pressure Set Point *
	Superheater Outlet Pressure *
	Pressure after Turbine Governor Valves*
	Boiler Firing Demand*
	*Where applicable (typically not in CCGT module)
	For Hydro Plant:
	Speed Governor Demand Signal
	Actuator Output Signal
	Guide Vane / Needle Valve Position
ECP.A.4.2(d)	Fsys - System Frequency
Compliance with	Finj - Injected Speed Setpoint
ECC.6.3.3	Appropriate control system parameters as
	agreed with <b>The Company</b> (See ECP.A.5.9)
	,
ECP.A.4.2(e)	MW - Synchronous Power Generating
Real Time on site	Module Active Power at the Grid Entry
or Down-	Point or (User System Entry Point if
loadable	Embedded).
	<ul> <li>MVAr - Synchronous Power Generating</li> </ul>
	Module Reactive Power at the Grid Entry
	Point or (User System Entry Point if
	Embedded).

Line-line Voltage (kV) at the Grid Entry
 Point or (User System Entry Point if
 Embedded).

# ECP.A.4.3 Power Park Modules, OTSDUA and HVDC Equipment

	Each Power Park Module and HVDC Equipment
	at Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point
ECP.A.4.3.1(a)	Total Active Power (MW)
Real Time on site.	<ul> <li>Total Reactive Power (MVAr)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Line-line Voltage (kV)</li> </ul>
	System Frequency (Hz)
ECP.A.4.3.1(b) Real Time on site or Down- loadable	<ul> <li>Injected frequency signal (Hz) or test logic signal (Boolean) when appropriate</li> <li>Injected voltage signal (per unit voltage) or test logic signal (Boolean) when appropriate</li> <li>In the case of an Onshore Power Park Module the Onshore Power Park Module site voltage (MV) (kV)</li> <li>Power System Stabiliser output, where appropriate</li> <li>In the case of a Power Park Module or HVDC Equipment where the Reactive Power is provided by more than one Reactive Power source, the individual Reactive Power contributions from each source, as agreed with The Company.</li> <li>In the case of HVDC Equipment appropriate control system parameters as agreed with The Company (See ECP.A.7)</li> <li>In the case of an Offshore Power Park Module the Total Active Power (MW) and the Total Reactive Power (MVAr) at the offshore Grid Entry Point</li> </ul>
ECP.A.4.3.1(c) Real Time on site or Down- loadable	<ul> <li>Available power for Power Park Module (MW)</li> <li>Power source speed for Power Park Module (e.g. wind speed) (m/s) when appropriate</li> <li>Power source direction for Power Park Module (degrees) when appropriate</li> <li>See ECP.A.4.3.2</li> </ul>

ECP.A.4.3.2 **The Company** accept that the signals specified in ECP.A.4.3.1(c) may have lower effective sample rates than those required in ECC.6.6.3 although any signals supplied for connection to **The Company's** recording equipment which do not meet at least the sample rates detailed in ECC.6.6.3 should have the actual sample rates indicated to **The Company** before testing commences.

## ECP.A.4.3.3 For all **The Company** witnessed testing either;

- (i) the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** shall provide to **The Company** all signals outlined in ECP.A.4.3.1 direct from the **Power Park Module** control system without any attenuation, delay or filtering which would result in the inability to fully demonstrate the objectives of the test, or identify any potential safety or plant instability issues, and with a signal update rate corresponding to ECC.6.6.3.2; or
- (ii) in the case of **Onshore Power Park Modules**, the **Generator** or **HVDC System Owner** shall provide signals ECP.A.4.3.1(a) direct from one or more transducer(s) connected to current and voltage transformers for monitoring in real time on site; or,

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- (iii) In the case of **Offshore Power Park Modules** and **OTSDUA** signals ECP.A.4.3.1(a) will be provided at the **Interface Point** by the **Offshore Transmission Licensee** pursuant to the **STC** or by the **Generator** when **OTSDUW Arrangements** apply.
- ECP.A.4.3.4 Options ECP.A.4.3.3 (ii) and (iii) will only be available on condition that;
  - (a) all signals outlined in ECP.A.4.3.1 are recorded and made available to The Company by the Generator or HVDC System Owner from the Power Park Module or OTSDUA or HVDC Equipment control systems as a download once the testing has been completed; and
  - (b) the full test results are provided by the **Generator HVDC System**Owner within 2 working days of the test date to **The Company** unless
    The Company agrees otherwise; and
  - (c) all data is provided with a sample rate in accordance with ECC.6.6.3.3 unless **The Company** agrees otherwise; and
  - (d) in **The Company's** reasonable opinion, the solution does not unreasonably add a significant delay between tests or impede the volume of testing which can take place on the day.
- ECP.A.4.3.5 In the case of where transducers connected to current and voltage transformers are installed (ECP.A.4. 3.3(ii) and (iii)), the transducers shall meet the following specification
  - (a) The transducer(s) shall be permanently installed to easily allow safe testing at any point in the future, and to avoid a requirement for recalibration of the current transformers and voltage transformers.
  - (b) The transducer(s) should be directly connected to the metering quality current transformers and voltage transformers or similar.
  - (c) The transducers shall either have a response time no greater than 50ms to reach 90% of output, or no greater than 300ms to reach 99.5%.
- ECP.A.4.3.6 In the case of a **GBGF-I** system, the following signals shall be supplied to **The Company** by the **Grid Forming Plant Owner** in accordance with ECC.6.6.3. For the avoidance of doubt, **User's** and **Non-CUSC Parties** will also be required to undertake the necessary testing of their **Plant** in accordance with the requirements of ECC.A.4 and OC5 as applicable.

	Each Grid Forming Plant at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point
ECP.A.4.3.6(a) Real Time Downloadable	Signals required shall be agreed with <b>The Company</b> in accordance with ECC.6.6.3.2(iv) and ECC.6.6.3.2(v)

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- ECP.A.4.3.7 Testing not witnessed by **The Company** on-site
- ECP.A.4.3.7.1.1 Where **The Company** has decided not to witness testing on-site, the results shall be submitted to **The Company** in spreadsheet format with the signal data in columns arranged as follows. Signal data denoted by "#" is not essential but if not provided the column should remain in place but without values entered. Where two signal names are given in a column these are alternatives related to the type of plant under test.
- ECP.A.4.3.7.1.2 Where **The Company** has requested addition signals to be recorded prior to the testing these signals shall be placed in columns to the right of the spreadsheet.
- ECP.A.4.3.7.2.1 Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit Excitation System and Reactive Capability

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# ECP.A.4.3.7.2.2 Onshore Synchronous Generating Unit Frequency Response and ECC.6.3.3

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## ECP.A.4.3.7.3.1 Onshore Power Park Modules Voltage Control & Reactive Capability

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ECP.A.4.3.7.3.2 Offshore Power Park Modules Voltage Control & Reactive Capability

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		Interface	Interface	Interface	/Frequency	Injection	/	or
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1	Power	Wind						
	Available		Wind	Voltage				
2	State of	Speed m/s	Direction	Setpoint				
	Charge	111/5						
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ECP.A.4.3.7.3.3 Power Park Module Frequency Control

	Col 1	Col 2	Col 3	Col 4	Col 5	Col 6	Col 7	Col 8
1	Time	GEP	GEP	GEP	Speed	Freq	Logi	Statcom
		Active	Reactive	Connectio	/Frequenc	Injectio	c/	or
		Power	Power	n	у	n	Test	Windfar
			#	Voltage			Start	m
				#				Reactive
								Power
								#
	Col 9	Col	Col 11	Col 12	Col 13	Col 14	Col	Col 16
		10					15	
1	Power	Wind						
	Availabl	Spee	Wind					
	е	d	Directio					
2	State of	m/s	n					
	Charge	111/5						
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ECP.A.4.3.8.1 Where test results are completed without the presence of **The Company** but are relied upon as evidence of the compliance they should be accompanied by a logsheet. This sheet should be legible, in English and detail the items as indicated below:

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Time and Date of test;

Name of Power Station and Power Generating Module if applicable;

Name of Test engineer(s) and company name;

Name of **Users** representative(s) and company name;

Type of testing being undertake eg Voltage Control;

Ambient conditions eg. temperature, pressure, wind speed, wind direction; and

Controller settings, eg voltage slope, frequency droop, voltage setpoint, UEL & OEL settings

ECP.A.4.3.8.2 For each test the following items should be recorded as relevant to the type of test being undertaken. Where there is uncertainty on the information to be recorded this should be discussed with **The Company** in advance of the test.

## ECP.A.4.3.8.2 .1 Voltage Control Tests

Start time of each test step;

**Active Power**;

#### Reactive Power;

Connection voltage;

Voltage Control Setpoint, if applicable or changed;

Voltage Control Slope, if applicable or changed;

Terminal Voltage if applicable;

Generator transformer tap position or grid transformer tap position, as applicable;

Number of **Power Park Units** in service in each **Power Park Module**, if applicable; and

For offshore connections **Offshore Grid Entry Point** voltage.

## ECP.A.4.3.8.2.2 Reactive Power Capability Tests

Start time of test;

**Active Power**;

#### **Reactive Power:**

Connection Voltage;

Terminal Voltage if applicable;

**Generating Unit** transformer tap position or grid transformer tap position as applicable;

Number of **Power Park Units** in service in each **Power Park Module**, if applicable; and

For offshore connections Offshore Grid Entry Point voltage.

# ECP.A.4.3.8.2.3 Frequency Response Capability Tests

Start time of test:

**Active Power**;

# System Frequency;

For **CCGT Modules**, **Active Power** for the individual units (GT &ST);

For boiler plant, HP steam pressure;

Droop setting of controller if applicable;

Number of **Power Park Units** in service in each **Power Park Module**, if applicable; and

For offshore connections **Offshore Grid Entry Point Active Power** for each **Power Park Module**.

ECP.A.4.3.8.3 Material changes during the test period should be recorded e.g. **Generating Units** tripping / starting, changes to tapchange positions.

## **APPENDIX 5**

#### COMPLIANCE TESTING OF SYNCHRONOUS POWER GENERATING MODULES

## ECP.A.5.1 SCOPE

- ECP.A.5.1.1 This Appendix sets out the tests contained therein to demonstrate compliance with the relevant clauses of the **European Connection Conditions** of the **Grid Code**. This Appendix shall be read in conjunction with the ECP with regard to the submission of the reports to **The Company**.
- ECP.A.5.1.2 The tests specified in this Appendix will normally be sufficient to demonstrate compliance however **The Company** may:
  - (i) agree an alternative set of tests provided **The Company** deem the alternative set of tests sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the **Grid Code** and **Bilateral Agreement**; and/or
  - (ii) require additional or alternative tests if information supplied to The Company during the compliance process suggests that the tests in this Appendix will not fully demonstrate compliance with the relevant section of the Grid Code or Bilateral Agreement.
  - (iii) Agree a reduced set of tests for subsequent Synchronous Power Generating Module following successful completion of the first Synchronous Power Generating Module tests in the case of a Power Station comprised of two or more Synchronous Power Generating Modules which The Company reasonably considers to be identical.

If:

- (a) the tests performed pursuant to ECP.A.5.1.2(iii) in respect of subsequent **Synchronous Power Generating Modules** do not replicate the full tests for the first **Synchronous Power Generating Module**, or
- (b) any of the tests performed pursuant to ECP.A.5.1.2(iii) do not fully demonstrate compliance with the relevant aspects of the **Grid Code**, **Ancillary Services Agreement** and / or **Bilateral Agreement**,

then notwithstanding the provisions above, the full testing requirements set out in this Appendix will be applied.

- ECP.A.5.1.3 The **Generator** is responsible for carrying out the tests set out in and in accordance with this Appendix and the **Generator** retains the responsibility for the safety of personnel and plant during the test. **The Company** will witness all of the tests outlined or agreed in relation to this Appendix unless **The Company** decides and notifies the **Generator** otherwise. Reactive Capability tests may be witnessed by **The Company** remotely from **The Company** control centre. For all on site, **The Company** witnessed tests the **Generator** should ensure suitable representatives from the **Generator** and manufacturer (if appropriate) are available on site for the entire testing period. In all cases the **Generator** shall provide suitable monitoring equipment to record all relevant test signals as outlined below in ECP.A.6.1.5.
- ECP.A.5.1.4 The **Generator** shall submit a schedule of tests to **The Company** in accordance with CP.4.3.1.
- ECP.A.5.1.5 Prior to the testing of a Synchronous Power Generating Module the

**Generator** shall complete the **Integral Equipment Test** procedure in accordance with OC.7.5.

- ECP.A.5.1.6 Full **Synchronous Power Generating Module** testing as required by CP.7.2 is to be completed as defined in ECP.A.5.2 through to ECP.A.5.9.
- The Company will permit relaxation from the requirement ECP.A.5.2 to ECP.A.5.9 where an Equipment Certificate for the Synchronous Power Generating Module has been provided which details the characteristics from tests on a representative machine with the same equipment and settings and the performance of the Synchronous Power Generating Module can, in The Company's opinion, reasonably represent that of the installed Synchronous Power Generating Module at that site. For Type B, Type C and Type D Power Generating Modules the relevant Equipment Certificate must be supplied in the Power Generating Module Document or Users Data File structure as applicable.
- ECP.A.5.1.8 In the case of a co-located site, for example Electricity Storage Modules or Grid Forming Plant connected within a new or existing Power Station, The Company will accept test results to demonstrate compliance at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (if Embedded) through a combination of the capabilities of the Power Generating Modules (which could include Grid Forming Plant) and Electricity Storage Modules or Electricity Storage Modules (which could include a Grid Forming Plant) and Generating Units or Power Park Modules. Generators should however be aware that for the purposes of testing, full Grid Code compliance should be demonstrated when, for example, the Electricity Storage Module or Grid Forming Plant is out of service and the remaining Power Generating Module is in service or the Electricity Storage Module or Grid Forming Plant is in service and the Power Generating Module is out of service. In the case of a Synchronous Electricity Storage Module, The Company would expect the full set of tests to be completed as detailed in ECP.A.5.2 to ECP.A.5.9.
- ECP.A.5.2 Excitation System Open Circuit Step Response Tests
- ECP.A.5.2.1 The open circuit step response of the **Excitation System** will be tested by applying a voltage step change from 90% to 100% of the nominal **Synchronous Power Generating Module** terminal voltage, with the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** on open circuit and at rated speed.
- ECP.A.5.2.2 The test shall be carried out prior to synchronisation in accordance with CP.6.4. This is not witnessed by **The Company** unless specifically requested by **The Company**. Where **The Company** is not witnessing the tests, the **Generator** shall supply the recordings of the following signals to **The Company** in an electronic spreadsheet format:
  - Vt Synchronous Generating Unit terminal voltage
    Efd Synchronous Generating Unit field voltage or main exciter field voltage
    Ifd- Synchronous Generating Unit field current (where possible)
    Step injection signal
- ECP.A.5.2.3 Results shall be legible, identifiable by labelling, and shall have appropriate scaling.
- ECP.A.5.3 Open & Short Circuit Saturation Characteristics
- ECP.A.5.3.1 The test shall normally be carried out prior to synchronisation in accordance with ECP.6.2.4 or ECP.6.3.4 **Equipment Certificates** or **Manufacturer's Test Certificates** may be used where appropriate may be used if agreed by **The Company**.

- ECP.A.5.3.2 This is not witnessed by **The Company**. Graphical and tabular representations of the results in an electronic spreadsheet format showing per unit open circuit terminal voltage and short circuit current versus per unit field current shall be submitted to **The Company**.
- ECP.A.5.3.3 Results shall be legible, identifiable by labelling, and shall have appropriate scaling.

## ECP.A.5.4 <u>Excitation System On-Load Tests</u>

ECP.A.5.4.1 The time domain performance of the **Excitation System** shall be tested by application of voltage step changes corresponding to 1% and 2% of the nominal terminal voltage.

#### ECP.A.5.4.2 Where a **Power System Stabiliser** is present:

- (i) The PSS must only be commissioned in accordance with BC2.11.2. When a PSS is switched on for the first time as part of on-load commissioning or if parameters have been adjusted the Generator should consider reducing the PSS output gain by at least 50% and should consider reducing the limits on PSS output by at least a factor of 5 to prevent unexpected PSS action affecting the stability of the Synchronous Generating Unit or the National Electricity Transmission System.
- (ii) The time domain performance of the **Excitation System** shall be tested by application of voltage step changes corresponding to 1% and 2% of the nominal terminal voltage, repeating with and without the **PSS** in service.
- (iii) The frequency domain tuning of the PSS shall also be demonstrated by injecting a 0.2Hz-3Hz band limited random noise signal into the Automatic Voltage Regulator Setpoint with the Synchronous Generating Unit operating at points specified by The Company (up to rated MVA output).
- (iv) The **PSS** gain margin shall be tested by increasing the **PSS** gain gradually to threefold and observing the **Synchronous Generating Unit** steady state **Active Power** output.
- (v) The interaction of the PSS with changes in Active Power shall be tested by application of a +0.5Hz frequency injection to the governor while the Synchronous Generating Unit is selected to Frequency Sensitive Mode.
- (vi) If the Synchronous Power Generating Module is of the Pumped Storage type then the step tests shall be carried out, with and without the PSS, in the pumping mode in addition to the generating mode. In the case of a Synchronous Electricity Storage Module the tests shall be carried out with and without the PSS in both importing and exporting modes of operation.
- (vii) Where the Bilateral Agreement requires that the PSS is in service, at a specified loading level, additional testing witnessed by The Company will be required during the commissioning process before the Synchronous Power Generating Module may exceed this output level.
- (viii) Where the **Excitation System** includes a **PSS**, the **Generator** shall provide a suitable noise source to facilitate noise injection testing.

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ECP.A.5.4.3 The following typical procedure is provided to assist **Generators** in drawing up their own site specific procedures for **The Company** witnessed **PSS** Tests.

Test	Injection	Notes
	Synchronous Generating Unit running at Maximum	
	Capacity, unity pf, PSS Switched Off	
1	Record steady state for 10 seconds	
	• Inject +1% step to <b>AVR</b> voltage setpoint and hold for at least	
	10 seconds until stabilised	
	• Remove step returning <b>AVR</b> voltage setpoint to nominal and	
	hold for at least 10 seconds	
2	Record steady state for 10 seconds	
	• Inject +2% step to <b>AVR</b> voltage setpoint and hold for at least	
	10 seconds until stabilised	
	Remove step returning AVR voltage setpoint to nominal and	
	hold for at least 10 seconds	
3	• Inject band limited (0.2-3Hz) random noise signal into voltage	
	Setpoint and measure frequency spectrum of <b>Real Power</b> .	
	Remove noise injection.	
	Switch On Power System Stabiliser	
4	Record steady state for 10 seconds	
	• Inject +1% step to AVR voltage setpoint and hold for at least	
	10 seconds until stabilised	
	Remove step returning AVR voltage setpoint to nominal and	
_	hold for at least 10 seconds	
5	• Record steady state for 10 seconds	
	• Inject +2% step to AVR Voltage Setpoint and hold for at least	
	10 seconds until stabilised	
	<ul> <li>Remove step returning AVR Voltage Setpoint to nominal and hold for at least 10 seconds</li> </ul>	
6	Increase PSS gain at 30second intervals. i.e.	
0	x1 – x1.5 – x2 – x2.5 – x3	
1	• Return PSS gain to initial setting	
7	Inject band limited (0.2-3Hz) random noise signal into voltage	
'	Setpoint and measure frequency spectrum of Real Power.	
	Remove noise injection.	
8	Select the governor to FSM	
	• Inject +0.5 Hz step into governor.	
1	Hold until generator MW output is stabilised	
	• Remove step	
	1	l .

## ECP.A.5.5 <u>Under-excitation Limiter Performance Test</u>

- ECP.A.5.5.1 Initially the performance of the **Under-excitation Limiter** should be checked by moving the limit line close to the operating point of the **Synchronous Generating Unit** when operating close to unity **Power Factor**. The operating point of the **Synchronous Generating Unit** is then stepped into the limit by applying a 2% decrease in **Automatic Voltage Regulator** Setpoint voltage.
- ECP.A.5.5.2 The final performance of the **Under-excitation Limiter** shall be demonstrated by testing its response to a step change corresponding to a 2% decrease in **Automatic Voltage Regulator Setpoint** voltage when the **Synchronous Generating Unit** is operating just off the limit line, at the designed setting as indicated on the **Performance Chart** [P-Q Capability Diagram] submitted to **The Company** under OC2.
- ECP.A.5.5.3 Where possible the **Under-excitation Limiter** should also be tested by operating the tap- changer when the **Synchronous Generating Unit** is

operating just off the limit line, as set up.

- ECP.A.5.5.4 The **Under-excitation Limiter** will normally be tested at low active power output and at maximum **Active Power** output.
- ECP.A.5.5.5 The following typical procedure is provided to assist **Generators** in drawing up their own site specific procedures for **The Company** witnessed **Under-excitation Limiter** Tests.

Test	Injection	Notes
	Synchronous Generating Unit running at Maximum Capacity and unity Power Factor. Under-excitation limit temporarily moved close to the operating point of the Synchronous Generating Unit.	
1	<ul> <li>PSS on.</li> <li>Inject -2% voltage step into AVR voltage setpoint and hold at least for 10 seconds until stabilised</li> <li>Remove step returning AVR voltage setpoint to nominal and hold for at least 10 seconds</li> </ul>	
	Under-excitation limit moved to normal position.  Synchronous Generating Unit running at Maximum  Capacity and at leading Reactive Power close to  Under-excitation limit.	
2	<ul> <li>PSS on.</li> <li>Inject -2% voltage step into AVR voltage setpoint and hold at least for 10 seconds until stabilised</li> <li>Remove step returning AVR voltage setpoint to nominal and hold for at least 10 seconds</li> </ul>	

#### ECP.A.5.6 Over-excitation Limiter Performance Test

The performance of the Over-excitation Limiter, where it exists, shall be demonstrated by testing its response to a step increase in the Automatic Voltage Regulator Setpoint Voltage that results in operation of the Over-excitation Limiter. Prior to application of the step the Synchronous Generating Unit shall be generating Maximum Capacity and operating within its continuous Reactive Power capability. The size of the step will be determined by the minimum value necessary to operate the Over-excitation Limiter and will be agreed by The Company and the Generator. The resulting operation beyond the Over-excitation Limit shall be controlled by the Over-excitation Limiter without the operation of any protection that could trip the Synchronous Power Generating Module. The step shall be removed immediately on completion of the test.

- ECP.A.5.6.2 If the **Over-excitation Limiter** has multiple levels to account for heating effects, an explanation of this functionality will be necessary and if appropriate, a description of how this can be tested.
- ECP.A.5.6.3 The following typical procedure is provided to assist **Generators** in drawing up their own site specific procedures for **The Company** witnessed **Under-excitation Limiter** Tests.

Test	Injection	Notes			
	Synchronous Generating Unit running at Maximum Capacity and maximum lagging Reactive Power.				
	Over-excitation Limit temporarily set close to this operating point. <b>PSS</b> on.				
1	Inject positive voltage step into AVR voltage setpoint and				

hold	
<ul> <li>Wait until Over-excitation Limiter operates after sufficient time delay to bring back the excitation back to the limit.</li> <li>Remove step returning AVR voltage setpoint to nominal.</li> </ul>	
Over-excitation Limit restored to its normal operating value. <b>PSS</b> on.	

## ECP.A.5.7 Reactive Capability

- ECP.A.5.7.1 The **Reactive Power** capability on each **Synchronous Power Generating Module** will normally be demonstrated by:
  - (a) operation of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** at maximum lagging **Reactive Power** and **Maximum Capacity** for 1 hour
  - (b) operation of the Synchronous Power Generating Module at maximum leading Reactive Power and Maximum Capacity for 1 hour.
  - (c) operation of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** at maximum lagging **Reactive Power** and **Minimum Stable Operating Level** for 1 hour
  - (d) operation of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** at maximum leading **Reactive Power** and **Minimum Stable Operating**Level for 1 hour.
  - (e) operation of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** at maximum lagging **Reactive Power** and a power output between **Maximum Capacity** and **Minimum Stable Operating Level**.
  - (f) operation of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** at maximum leading **Reactive Power** and a power output between **Maximum Capacity** and **Minimum Stable Operating Level**.

In the case of a **Synchronous Electricity Storage Module**, **The Company** shall have discretion to reduce the durations of the tests set out in ECP.A.5.7.1 (a) – (f), depending upon the capacity of the energy store.

- ECP.A.5.7.2 In the case of an **Embedded Synchronous Power Generating Module** where distribution network considerations restrict the **Synchronous Power Generating Module Reactive Power** output, **The Company** will only require demonstration within the acceptable limits of the **Network Operator's System**.
- ECP.A.5.7.3 The test procedure, time and date will be agreed with **The Company** and will be to the instruction of **The Company** control centre and shall be monitored and recorded at both **The Company** control centre and by the **Generator**.
- Where the **Generator** is recording the voltage, **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** at the HV connection point the voltage for these tests **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** at the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** terminals may also be included. The results shall be supplied in an electronic spreadsheet format. Where applicable the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** transformer tapchanger position should be noted throughout the test period.
- ECP.A.5.8 Governor and Load Controller Response Performance

- ECP.A.5.8.1 The governor and load controller response performance will be tested by injecting simulated frequency deviations into the governor and load controller systems. Such simulated frequency deviation signals must be injected simultaneously at both speed governor and load controller setpoints. For **CCGT modules**, simultaneous injection into all gas turbines, steam turbine governors and module controllers is required.
- Prior to witnessing the governor tests set out in ECP.A.5.8.6, **The Company** requires the **Generator** to conduct the preliminary tests detailed in ECP.A.5.8.4 and send the results to **The Company** for assessment unless agreed otherwise by **The Company**. The results should be supplied in an electronic spreadsheet format. These tests shall be completed at least two weeks prior to the witnessed governor response tests.
- ECP.A.5.8.3 Where a **CCGT module** or **Synchronous Power Generating Module** is capable of operating on alternative fuels, tests will be required to demonstrate performance when operating on each fuel. **The Company** may agree a reduction from the tests listed in ECP.A.5.8.6 for demonstrating performance on the alternative fuel. This includes the case where a main fuel is supplemented by bio-fuel.

Preliminary Governor Frequency Response Testing

ECP.A.5.8.4 Prior to conducting the full set of tests as per ECP.A.5.8.6, **Generators** are required to conduct a preliminary set of tests below to confirm the frequency injection method is correct and the plant control performance is within expectation. The test numbers refer to Figure 1 below. With the plant running at 80% of full load, the following frequency injections shall be applied.

Test No	Frequency Injection	Notes
(Figure1)		
8	Inject -0.5Hz frequency fall over 10 sec	
	Hold for a further 20 sec	
	• At 30 sec from the start of the test, Inject a +0.3Hz frequency	
	rise over 30 sec.	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	<ul> <li>Remove the injected signal as a ramp over 10 seconds</li> </ul>	
13	Inject - 0.5Hz frequency fall over 10 sec	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	<ul> <li>Remove the injected signal as a ramp over 10 seconds</li> </ul>	
14	<ul> <li>Inject +0.5Hz frequency rise over 10 sec</li> </ul>	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	<ul> <li>Remove the injected signal as a ramp over 10 seconds</li> </ul>	
Н	Inject - 0.5Hz frequency fall as a stepchange	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	<ul> <li>Remove the injected signal as a stepchange</li> </ul>	
1	Inject +0.5Hz frequency rise as a stepchange	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	<ul> <li>Remove the injected signal as a stepchange</li> </ul>	

ECP.A.5.8.5 The recorded results (e.g. Finj, MW and control signals) should be sampled at a minimum rate of 1 Hz to allow **The Company** to assess the plant performance from the initial transients (seconds) to the final steady state conditions (5-15 minutes depending on the plant design). This is not witnessed by **The Company**. The **Generator** shall supply the recordings including data to **The Company** in an electronic spreadsheet format. Results shall be legible, identifiable by labelling, and shall have appropriate scaling.

Full Frequency Response Testing Schedule Witnessed by The Company

ECP.A.5.8.6 The tests are to be conducted at a number of different Module Load Points (MLP). The load points are conducted as shown below unless agreed otherwise by **The Company**.

Module Load Point 6	100% MEL
	100 % IVIEL
(Maximum Export Limit)	
Module Load Point 5	95% MEL
Module Load Point 4	80% MEL
(Mid-point of Operating Range)	
Module Load Point 3	70% MEL
Module Load Point 2	MRL+10% oi
(Lower of MRL+10% or Minimum Stable Operating Level	MSOL
Module Load Point 1	MRL
(Minimum Regulating Level)	

## ECP.A.5.8.7 The tests are divided into the following three types;

- (i) Frequency response compliance and volume tests as per ECP.A.5.8. Figure 1. These tests consist of frequency profile and ramp tests and adjustments to the target frequency setpoint as per ECP.5.8 Figure 3.
- (ii) System islanding and step response tests as shown by ECP.A.5.8. Figure 2.
- (iii) Frequency response tests in **Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode (LFSM)** to demonstrate **LFSM-O** and **LFSM-U** capability as shown by ECP.A.5.8 Figure 2.
- There should be sufficient time allowed between tests for control systems to reach steady state. Where the diagram states 'HOLD' the current injection should be maintained until the **Active Power** (MW) output of the **Synchronous Power Generating Module** or **CCGT Module** has stabilised or 90 seconds, whichever is the longer. The frequency response capability test (see Figure 1) injection signal shall be returned to zero at the same rate at which it was applied. **The Company** may require repeat tests should the tests give unexpected results. When witnessed by **the Company** each test should be carried out as a separate injection, when not witnessed by **the Company** there must be sufficient time allowed between tests for the **Plant** to have reached a stable steady state operating condition or 90 seconds, whichever is the longer.

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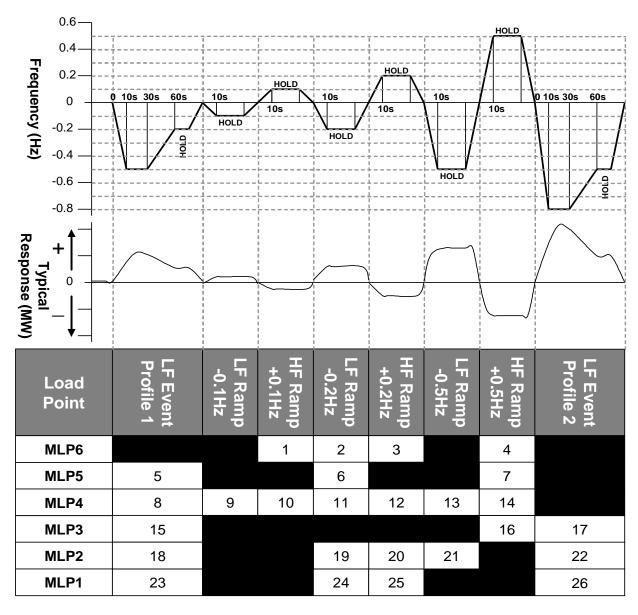


Figure 1: Frequency Response Capability FSM Ramp Response Tests

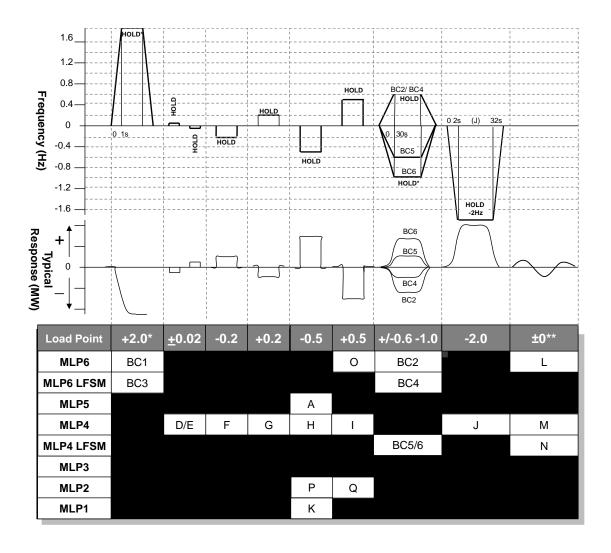


Figure 2: Frequency Response Capability LFSM-O, LFSM-U and FSM Step Response Tests

\* This will generally be +2.0Hz unless an injection of this size causes a reduction in plant output that takes the operating point below the **Minimum Regulating Level** in which case an appropriate injection should be calculated in accordance with the following:

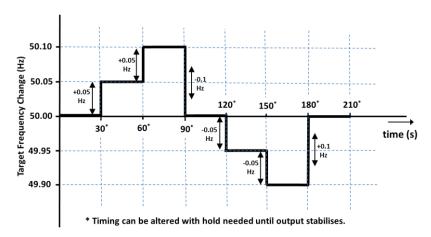
For example, 0.9Hz is needed to take an initial output 65% to a final output of 20%. If the initial output was not 65% and the **Minimum Regulating Level** is not 20% then the injected step should be adjusted accordingly as shown in the example given below

Initial Output	65%
Minimum Regulating Level	20%
Frequency Controller Droop	4%
Frequency to be injected = $(0.65-0.20)x0.04x50 =$	0.9Hz

<sup>\*\*</sup> Tests L and M in Figure 2 shall be conducted if in this range of tests the **System Frequency** feedback signal is replaced by the injection signal rather than the injection signal being added to the system frequency signal. The tests will consist of monitoring the **Synchronous Power Generating Module and CCGT Module** in **Frequency Sensitive Mode** during normal system frequency variations without applying any injection. Test N in figure 2 shall be

conducted in all cases. All three tests should be conducted for a period of at least 10 minutes.

ECP.A.5.8.9 The **Target Frequency** adjustment facility should be demonstrated from the normal control point within the range of 49.9Hz to 50.1Hz by step changes to the **Target Frequency** setpoint as indicated in ECP.A.5.8 Figure 3 while operating at MLP4.



ECP.A.5.8 Figure 3 – Target Frequency setting changes

#### ECP.A.5.9 Compliance with ECC.6.3.3 Functionality Test

Where the plant design includes active control function or functions to deliver ECC.6.3.3 compliance, the **Generator** will propose and agree a test procedure with **The Company**, which will demonstrate how the **Synchronous Power Generating Module Active Power** output responds to changes in **System Frequency** and ambient conditions (e.g. by **Frequency** and temperature injection methods).

ECP.A.5.9.2 The **Generator** shall inform **The Company** if any load limiter control is additionally employed.

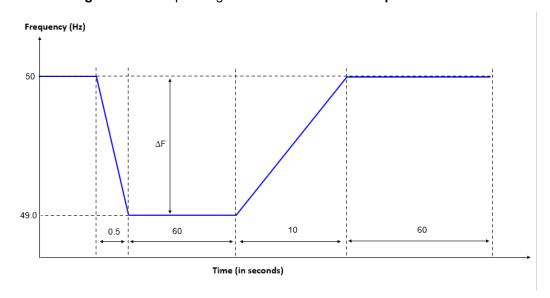
ECP.A.5.9.3 With the setpoint to the signals specified in ECP.A.4, **The Company** will agree with the **Generator** which additional control system parameters shall be monitored to demonstrate the functionality of ECC.6.3.3 compliance systems. Where **The Company** recording equipment is not used, results shall be supplied to **The Company** in an electronic spreadsheet format

ECP.A.5.10 Compliance of **Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules** during low **System Frequencies** 

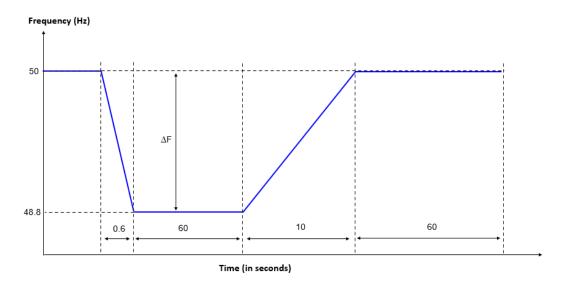
In order to assess the capability of the **Synchronous Electricity Storage Module** the following steps shall be undertaken:

- (i) Prior to the test, the Synchronous Electricity Storage Module shall be operating at its Maximum Import Power with the Synchronous Electricity Storage Module in Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode.
- (ii) A test signal shall be applied which ramps the **System Frequency** from 50Hz to 49.0Hz at a rate of 2Hz/s. The **System Frequency** shall be held at 49.0Hz for 60s and the then ramped back to 50Hz in 10s as shown in Figure 4.

- (iii) The test result shall demonstrate the ability of the **Electricity Storage Module** to meet the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.3. When the test injection signal is held at 49.0Hz, the **Active Power** output of the **Synchronous Electricity Storage Module** should achieve a steady state operating point in no more than 0.5 seconds and this should be maintained whilst the test **Frequency** signal is held at 49.0Hz.
- (iv) The above tests described (i) (iii) above shall be repeated but the minimum test frequency applied shall be to 48.8Hz as shown in Figure 5.
- (v) The above tests shall be repeated when the **Synchronous Electricity Storage Module** is operating at 40% of its **Maximum Import Power**.



ECP.A.5.8 Figure 4



ECP.A.5.8 Figure 5

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## **APPENDIX 6**

#### COMPLIANCE TESTING OF POWER PARK MODULES

#### ECP.A.6.1 SCOPE

- ECP.A.6.1.1 This Appendix outlines the general testing requirements for **Power Park Modules** and **OTSDUA** to demonstrate compliance with the relevant aspects of the **Grid Code**, **Ancillary Services Agreement** and **Bilateral Agreement**. The tests specified in this Appendix will normally be sufficient to demonstrate compliance however **The Company** may:
  - agree an alternative set of tests provided The Company deem the alternative set of tests sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the Grid Code, Ancillary Services Agreement and Bilateral Agreement; and/or
  - ii) require additional or alternative tests if information supplied to **The Company** during the compliance process suggests that the tests in this Appendix will not fully demonstrate compliance with the relevant section of the **Grid Code**, **Ancillary Services Agreement** or **Bilateral Agreement**; and/or
  - iii) require additional tests if a **Power System Stabiliser** is fitted; and/or
  - iv) agree a reduced set of tests if a relevant Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report has been submitted to and deemed to be appropriate by The Company; and/or
  - v) agree a reduced set of tests for subsequent Power Park Modules or OTSDUA following successful completion of the first Power Park Module or OTSDUA tests in the case of a Power Station comprised of two or more Power Park Modules or OTSDUA which The Company reasonably considers to be identical.

If:

- (a) the tests performed pursuant to ECP.A.6.1.1(iv) do not replicate the results contained in the **Manufacturer's Data & Performance Report**, or
- (b) the tests performed pursuant to ECP.A.6.1.1(v) in respect of subsequent **Power Park Modules** or **OTSDUA** do not replicate the full tests for the first **Power Park Module** or **OTSDUA**, or
- (c) any of the tests performed pursuant to ECP.A.6.1.1(iv) or ECP.A.6.1.1(v) do not fully demonstrate compliance with the relevant aspects of the **Grid Code**, **Ancillary Services Agreement** and / or **Bilateral Agreement**,

then notwithstanding the provisions above, the full testing requirements set out in this Appendix will be applied.

The **Generator** is responsible for carrying out the tests set out in and in accordance with this Appendix and the **Generator** retains the responsibility for the safety of personnel and plant during the test. **The Company** will witness all of the tests outlined or agreed in relation to this Appendix unless **The Company** decides and notifies the **Generator** otherwise. Reactive Capability tests may be witnessed by **The Company** remotely from **The Company** control centre. For all on site **The Company** witnessed tests the **Generator** 

must ensure suitable representatives from the **Generator** and / or **Power Park Module** manufacturer (if appropriate) and/or **OTSDUA** manufacturer (if appropriate) are available on site for the entire testing period. In all cases and in addition to any recording of signals conducted by **The Company**, the **Generator** shall record all relevant test signals as outlined in ECP.A.4.

- ECP.A.6.1.3 In addition to the dynamic signals supplied in ECP.A.4 the **Generator** shall inform **The Company** of the following information prior to the commencement of the tests and any changes to the following, if any values change during the tests:
  - (i) All relevant transformer tap numbers; and
  - (ii) Number of **Power Park Units** in operation
- ECP.A.6.1.4 The **Generator** shall submit a detailed schedule of tests to **The Company** in accordance with CP.6.3.1, and this Appendix.
- Prior to the testing of a **Power Park Module** or **OTSDUA**, the **Generator** shall complete the **Integral Equipment Tests** procedure in accordance with OC.7.5.
- ECP.A.6.1.6 Partial **Power Park Module** or **OTSDUA** testing as defined in ECP.A.6.2 and ECP.A.6.3 is to be completed at the appropriate stage in accordance with ECP.6, ECP6.4A, ECP6.4B.
- ECP.A.6.1.7 Full **Power Park Module** or **OTSDUA** testing as required by CP.7.2 is to be completed as defined in ECP.A.6.4 through to ECP.A.6.7.
- ECP.A.6.1.8 Where **OTSDUW Arrangements** apply and prior to the **OTSUA Transfer Time** any relevant **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** shall be considered within the scope of testing described in this Appendix. Performance shall be assessed against the relevant Grid Code requirements for **OTSDUW Plant and Apparatus** at the **Interface Point** and other **Generator Plant and Apparatus** at the **Offshore Grid Entry Point**. This Appendix should be read accordingly.
- ECP.A.6.1.9 The Company will permit relaxation from the requirement ECP.A.6.2 to ECP.A.6.8 where an Equipment Certificate for the Power Park Module has been provided which details the characteristics from tests on a representative installation with the same equipment and settings and the performance of the Power Park Module can, in The Company's opinion, reasonably represent that of the installed Power Park Module at that site. For Type B, Type C and Type D Power Park Modules, the relevant Equipment Certificate must be supplied in the Power Generating Module Document or Users Data File structure as applicable.
- In the case of a co-located site, for example Electricity Storage Modules or Grid Forming Plant connected within a new or existing Power Station, The Company will accept test results to demonstrate compliance at the Grid Entry Point or User System Entry Point (if Embedded) through a combination of the capabilities of the Power Generating Modules (which could include a Grid Forming Plant) and Electricity Storage Modules or Electricity Storage Modules (which could include a Grid Forming Plant) and Generating Units or Power Park Modules. Generators should however be aware that for the purposes of testing, full Grid Code compliance should be demonstrated when, for example, the Electricity Storage Module or Grid Forming Plant is out of service and the remaining Power Generating Module is in service and the Power Generating Module is out of service. In the case of a Non-Synchronous

**Electricity Storage Module**, **The Company** would expect the full set of tests to be completed as detailed in ECP.A.6.2 to ECP.A.6.8.

- ECP.A.6.2 Pre 20% (or <50MW) Synchronised Power Park Module Basic Voltage Control Tests
- ECP.A.6.2.1 Before 20% of the **Power Park Module** (or 50MW if less) has commissioned, either voltage control test ECP.A.6.5.6(i) or (ii) must be completed in accordance with ECP.6, ECP.6A or ECP.6B. In the case of an **Offshore Power Park Module** the test must be completed by the **Generator** undertaking **OTSDUW** or the **Offshore Transmission Licencee** under STCP19-5.
- ECP.A.6.2.2 In the case of an **Offshore Power Park Module** which provides all or a portion of the **Reactive Power** capability as described in ECC.6.3.2.5.2 or ECP.6.3.2.6.3 and / or voltage control requirements as described in ECC.6.3.8.5 to enable an **Offshore Transmission Licensee** to meet the requirements of **STC** Section K, the **Generator** is required to cooperate with the **Offshore Transmission Licensee** to conduct the 20% voltage control test. The results in relation to the **Offshore Power Park Module** will be assessed against the requirements in the **Bilateral Agreement**.
- ECP.A.6.3 Power Park Modules with Maximum Capacity ≥100MW Pre 70% Power Park Module Tests
- ECP.A.6.3.1 Before 70% but with at least 50% of the **Power Park Module** commissioned the following **Limited Frequency Sensitive** tests as detailed in ECP.A.6.6.2 must be completed.
  - (a) BC3
  - (b) BC4
- ECP.A.6.4 Reactive Capability Test
- This section details the procedure for demonstrating the reactive capability of an Onshore Power Park Module or an Offshore Power Park Module or OTSDUA which provides all or a portion of the Reactive Power capability as described in ECC.6.3.2.5.2 or ECP.6.3.2.6.3 as applicable (for the avoidance of doubt, an Offshore Power Park Module which does not provide part of the Offshore Transmission Licensee Reactive Power capability as described in ECC.6.3.2.5.1 and ECP.6.3.2.6.1 should complete the Reactive Power transfer / voltage control tests as per section ECP.A.6.8). These tests should be scheduled at a time where there are at least 95% of the Power Park Units within the Power Park Module in service. There should be sufficient MW resource forecasted in order to generate at least 85% of Maximum Capacity of the Power Park Module.
- The tests shall be performed by modifying the voltage set-point of the voltage control scheme of the **Power Park Module** or **OTSDUA** by the amount necessary to demonstrate the required reactive range. This is to be conducted for the operating points and durations specified in ECP.A.6.4.5.
- An Embedded Generator or Embedded Generator undertaking OTSDUW should liaise with the relevant Network Operator to ensure the following tests will not have an adverse impact upon the Network Operator's System as per OC.7.5. In situations where the tests have an adverse impact upon the Network Operator's System, The Company will only require demonstration within the acceptable limits of the Network Operator. For the avoidance of doubt, these tests do not negate the requirement to produce a complete Power Park Module or OTSDUA performance chart as specified in OC2.4.2.1

ECP.A.6.4.4 In the case where the **Reactive Power** metering point is not at the same location as the **Reactive Power** capability requirement, then an equivalent **Reactive Power** capability for the metering point shall be agreed between the **Generator** and **The Company**.

## ECP.A.6.4.5 The following tests shall be completed:

- (i) Operation in excess of 60% Maximum Capacity and maximum continuous lagging Reactive Power for 30 minutes. For the avoidance of doubt this test must start with Active Power output in excess of 85% of Maximum Capacity of the Power Park Module as ECP.A.6.4.1 and must not fall below 60% of Maximum Capacity of the Power Park Module during the 30 minutes.
- (ii) Operation in excess of 60% Maximum Capacity and maximum continuous leading Reactive Power for 30 minutes. For the avoidance of doubt this test must start with Active Power output in excess of 85% of Maximum Capacity of the Power Park Module as ECP.A.6.4.1 and must not fall below 60% of Maximum Capacity of the Power Park Module during the 30 minutes.
- (iii) Operation at 50% **Maximum Capacity** and maximum continuous leading **Reactive Power** for 30 minutes.
- (iv) Operation at 50% **Maximum Capacity** and maximum continuous lagging **Reactive Power** for 30 minutes.
- (v) Operation at 20% **Maximum Capacity** and maximum continuous leading **Reactive Power** for 60 minutes.
- (vi) Operation at 20% **Maximum Capacity** and maximum continuous lagging **Reactive Power** for 60 minutes.
- (vii) Operation at less than 20% Maximum Capacity and unity Power Factor for 5 minutes. This test only applies to systems which do not offer voltage control below 20% of Maximum Capacity.
- (viii) Operation at the lower of the **Minimum Regulating Level** or 0% **Maximum Capacity** and maximum continuous leading **Reactive Power** for 5 minutes. This test only applies to systems which offer voltage control below 20% and hence establishes actual capability rather than required capability.
- (ix) Operation at the lower of the Minimum Regulating Level or 0% Maximum Capacity and maximum continuous lagging Reactive Power for 5 minutes. This test only applies to systems which offer voltage control below 20% and hence establishes actual capability rather than required capability.

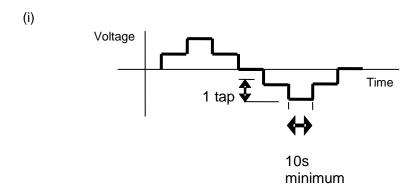
In the case of a **Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Module**, **The Company** shall have discretion to reduce the duration of the tests required in ECP.A.6.4.5 (i) – (viii) depending upon the capability of the energy store.

ECP.A.6 Within this ECP, lagging Reactive Power is the export of Reactive Power from the Power Park Module to the Total System and leading Reactive Power is the import of Reactive Power from the Total System to the Power Park Module or OTSDUA.

## ECP.A.6.5 <u>Voltage Control Tests</u>

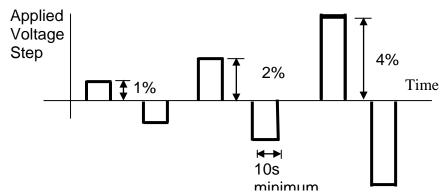
- ECP.A.6.5.1 This section details the procedure for conducting voltage control tests on Onshore Power Park Modules or OTSDUA or an Offshore Power Park Module which provides all or a portion of the voltage control capability as described in ECC.6.3.8.5 (for the avoidance of doubt, Offshore Power Park Modules which do not provide part of the Offshore Transmission Licensee voltage control capability as described in CC6.3.8.5 should complete the Reactive Power transfer / voltage control tests as per section ECP.A.6.8). These tests should be scheduled at a time when there are at least 95% of the Power Park Units within the Power Park Module in service. There should be sufficient MW resource forecasted in order to generate at least 65% of Maximum Capacity of the Onshore Power Park Module. An Embedded Generator or Embedded Generators undertaking OTSDUW should also liaise with the relevant Network Operator to ensure all requirements covered in this section will not have a detrimental effect on the Network Operator's System.
- ECP.A.6.5.2 The voltage control system shall be perturbed with a series of step injections to the **Power Park Module** voltage setpoint, and where possible, multiple upstream transformer taps. In the case of an **Offshore Power Park Module** providing part of the **Offshore Transmission Licensee** voltage control capability this may require a series of step injections to the voltage setpoint of the **Offshore Transmission Licensee** control system.
- ECP.A.6.5.3 For steps initiated using network tap changers, the **Generator** will need to coordinate with **The Company** or the relevant **Network Operator** as appropriate. The time between transformer taps shall be at least 10 seconds as per ECP.A.6.5 Figure 1.
- For a step injection into the **Power Park Module** or **OTSDUA** voltage setpoint, steps of ±1%, ±2% and ±4% (or larger if required by **The Company**) shall be applied to the voltage control system setpoint summing junction. The injection shall be maintained for a minimum of 10 seconds as per ECP.A.6.5 Figure 2.
- Where the voltage control system comprises of discretely switched **Plant** and **Apparatus** (eg. mechanically switched shunt reactors or capacitors) additional tests will be required to demonstrate that overall performance of the voltage control system when switching these devices as part of the response is in accordance with **Grid Code** and **Bilateral Agreement** requirements.

# ECP.A.6.5.6 Tests to be completed:



ECP.A.6.5 Figure 1 – Transformer tap sequence for voltage control tests

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ECP.A.6.5 Figure 2 – Step injection sequence for voltage control tests

- ECP.A.6.5.7 In the case of **OTSDUA**, where the **Bilateral Agreement** specifies additional damping facilities, additional testing to demonstrate these damping facilities may be required.
- ECP.A.6.5.8 In the case of **Power Park Modules** that do not provide voltage control down to zero **Active Power** a test to demonstrate the smooth transition from voltage control mode to unity **Power Factor** shall be carried out. The **Power Park Module** voltage setpoint should be altered to produce lagging **Reactive Power** or absorbing leading **Reactive Power** at a low **Active Power** level where voltage control is provided. The **Power Park Module Active Power** should then be reduced to zero **Active Power** as a ramp over a short period (60 seconds is suggested).

## ECP.A.6.6 Frequency Response Tests

- This section describes the procedure for performing frequency response testing on a **Power Park Module**. These tests should be scheduled at a time where there are at least 95% of the **Power Park Units** within the **Power Park Module** in service. There should be sufficient MW resource forecasted in order to generate at least 65% of **Maximum Capacity** of the **Power Park Module**.
- The frequency controller shall be in **Frequency Sensitive Mode** or **Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode** as appropriate for each test. Simulated frequency deviation signals shall be injected into the frequency controller setpoint/feedback summing junction. If the injected frequency signal replaces rather than sums with the real **System Frequency** signal then the additional tests outlined in ECP.A.6.6.6 shall be performed with the **Power Park Module** or **Power Park Unit** in normal **Frequency Sensitive Mode** monitoring actual **System Frequency**, over a period of at least 10 minutes. The aim of this additional test is to verify that the control system correctly measures the real **System Frequency** for normal variations over a period of time.
- ECP.A.6.6.3 In addition to the frequency response requirements it is necessary to demonstrate the **Power Park Module** ability to deliver a requested steady state power output which is not impacted by power source variation as per ECC.6.3.9. This test shall be conducted in **Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode** at a part-loaded output for a period of 10 minutes as per ECP.A.6.6.6.

Preliminary Frequency Response Testing

ECP.A.6.6.4 Prior to conducting the full set of tests as per ECP.A.6.6.6, **Generators** are

required to conduct the preliminary set of tests below to confirm the frequency injection method is correct and the plant control performance is within expectation. The test numbers refer to Figure 1 below. The test should be conducted when sufficient MW resource is forecast in order to generate at least 65% of **Maximum Capacity** of the **Power Park Module**. The following frequency injections shall be applied when operating at module load point 4.

Test No (Figure1)	Frequency Injection	Notes
8	Inject -0.5Hz frequency fall over 10 sec	
	Hold for a further 20 sec	
	At 30 sec from the start of the test, Inject a +0.3Hz	
	frequency rise over 30 sec.	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	Remove the injected signal as a ramp over 10 seconds	
13	Inject - 0.5Hz frequency fall over 10 sec	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	Remove the injected signal as a ramp over 10 seconds	
14	Inject +0.5Hz frequency rise over 10 sec	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	Remove the injected signal as a ramp over 10 seconds	
H	Inject - 0.5Hz frequency fall as a stepchange	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	Remove the injected signal as a stepchange	
1	Inject +0.5Hz frequency rise as a stepchange	
	Hold until conditions stabilise	
	Remove the injected signal as a stepchange	

ECP.A.6.6.5 The recorded results (e.g. Finj, MW and control signals) should be sampled at a minimum rate of 1 Hz to allow **The Company** to assess the plant performance from the initial transients (seconds) to the final steady state conditions (5-15 minutes depending on the plant design). This is not witnessed by **The Company**. The **Generator** shall supply the recordings including data to **The Company** in an electronic spreadsheet format. Results shall be legible, identifiable by labelling, and shall have appropriate scaling.

Full Frequency Response Testing Schedule Witnessed by The Company.

ECP.A.6.6.6 The tests are to be conducted at a number of different Module Load Points (MLP). In the case of a **Power Park Module** the module load points are conducted as shown below unless agreed otherwise by **The Company**.

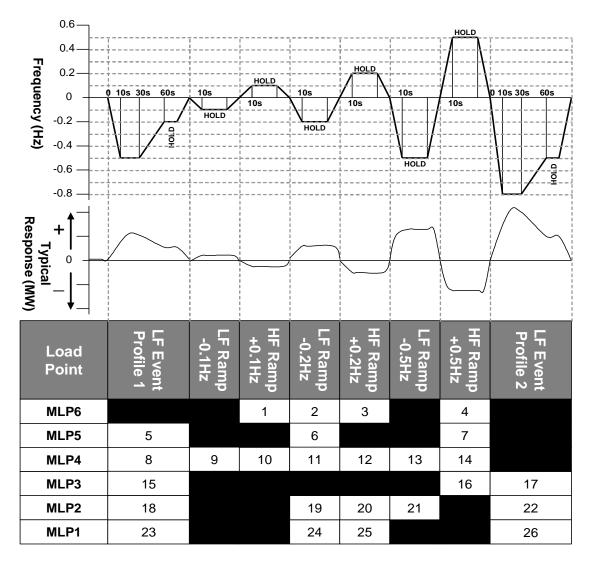
Module Load Point 6	100% MEL
(Maximum Export Limit)	
Module Load Point 5	90% MEL
Module Load Point 4	80% MEL
Module Load Point 3	MRL+0.6 x (MEL – MRL)
Module Load Point 2	MRL+0.3 X (MEL – MRL)
Lower of MRL + 0.3 x (MEL - MRL) or Minimum Stable	or MSOL
Operating Level	
Module Load Point 1	MRL
(Minimum Regulating Level)	

# ECP.A.6.6.7 The tests are divided into the following two types;

(i) Frequency response compliance and volume tests as per ECP.A.6.6. Figure 1. These tests consist of frequency profile and ramp tests and adjustments to target frequency setpoint as per ECP.A.6.6 Figure 3.

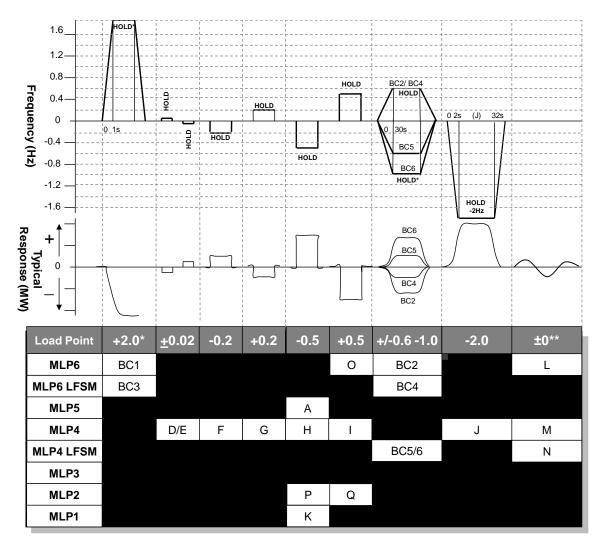
- (ii) System islanding and step response tests as shown by ECP.A.6.6. Figure 2.
- (iii) Frequency response tests in **Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode (LFSM)** to demonstrate **LFSM-O** and **LFSM-U** capability as shown by ECP.A.6.6 Figure 2.

There should be sufficient time allowed between tests for control systems to reach steady state (depending on available power resource). Where the diagram states 'HOLD' the current injection should be maintained until the **Active Power** (MW) output of the **Power Park Module** has stabilised or 90 seconds, whichever is the longer. All frequency response tests should be removed over the same timescale for which they were applied. **The Company** may require repeat tests should the response volume be affected by the available power, or if tests give unexpected results. When witnessed by **The Company** each test should be carried out as a separate injection, when not witnessed by **The Company** there must be sufficient time allowed between tests for the **Active Power** (MW) output of the **Power Park Module** to have stabilised or 90 seconds, whichever is the longer.



ECP.A.6.6. Figure 1 – Frequency Response Capability FSM Ramp Response tests

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ECP.A.6.6. Figure 2 - Frequency Response Capability LFSM-O, LFSM-U, FSM Step Response tests

\* This will generally be +2.0Hz unless an injection of this size causes a reduction in plant output that takes the operating point below the **Minimum** Regulating Level in which case an appropriate injection should be calculated in accordance with the following:

For example 0.9Hz is needed to take an initial output 65% to a final output of 20%. If the initial output was not 65% and the Minimum Regulating Level is not 20% then the injected step should be adjusted accordingly as shown in the example given below

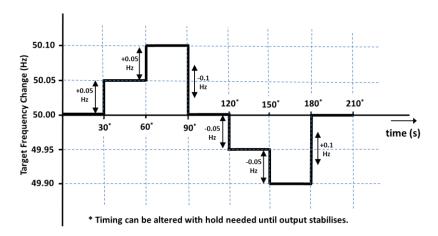
Initial Output	65%
Minimum Regulating Level	20%
Frequency Controller Droop	4%
Frequency to be injected = $(0.65-0.20)\times0.04\times50$ =	$0.9H_{2}$

\*\* Tests L and M in Figure 2 shall be conducted if in this range of tests the System Frequency feedback signal is replaced by the injection signal rather than the injection signal being added to the system frequency signal. The tests will consist of monitoring the Power Park Module in Frequency Sensitive Mode during normal System Frequency variations without applying any injection. Test N in Figure 2 shall be conducted in all cases. All three tests should be conducted for a period of at least 10 minutes.

ECP.A.6.6.9 The Target Frequency adjustment facility should be demonstrated from the

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normal control point within the range of 49.9Hz to 50.1Hz by step changes to the **Target Frequency** setpoint as indicated in ECP.A.6.6 Figure 3 while operating at MLP4.

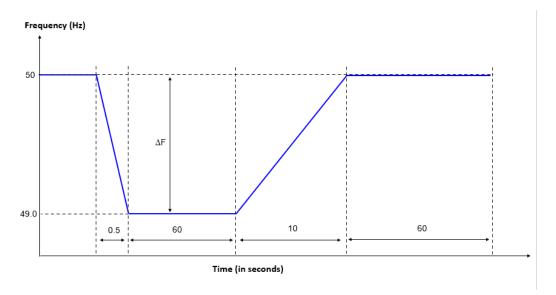


ECP.A.6.6. Figure 3 – Target Frequency setting changes

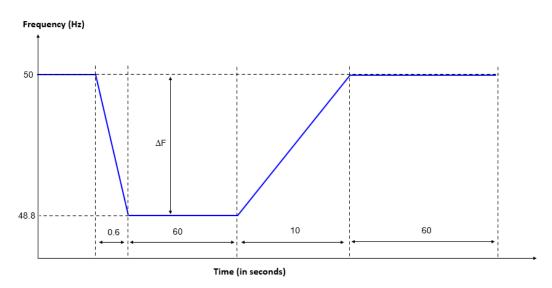
# ECP.A.6.6.10 Compliance of **Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Modules** during low **System Frequencies**

In order to assess the capability of the **Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Module** the following steps shall be undertaken.

- (i) Prior to the test, the Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Module shall be operating at its Maximum Import Power with the Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Module in Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode.
- (ii) A test signal shall be applied which ramps the **System Frequency** from 50Hz to 49.0Hz at a rate of 2Hz/s. The **System Frequency** shall be held at 49.0Hz for 60s and the then ramped back to 50Hz in 10s as shown in Figure 4.
- (iii) The test result shall demonstrate the ability of the **Electricity Storage Module** to meet the requirements of ECC.6.3.7.2.3. When the test injection signal is held at 49.0Hz, the **Active Power** output of the **Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Module** should achieve a steady state operating point in no more than 0.5 seconds and this should be maintained whilst the test **Frequency** signal is held at 49.0Hz.
- (iv) The above tests described (i) (iii) above shall be repeated but the minimum test frequency applied shall be to 48.8Hz as shown in Figure 5.
- (v) The above tests shall be repeated when the Non-Synchronous Electricity Storage Module is operating at 40% of its Maximum Import Power.



ECP.A.6.6 Figure 4



ECP.A.6.6 Figure 5

## ECP.A.6.7 Fault Ride Through Testing

ECP.A.6.7.1 This section describes the procedure for conducting **Fault Ride Through** tests on a single **Power Park Unit** as required by ECP.7.2.2(d).

The test circuit will utilise the full **Power Park Unit** (e.g. in the case of a wind turbine it would include the full wind turbine nacelle structure, all inverters and converters along with step up transformer to medium voltage, all control systems including pitch control emulation) and shall be conducted with sufficient power input resource available to produce at least 95% of the **Maximum Capacity** of the **Power Park Unit**. The test will comprise of a number of controlled short circuits applied to a test network to which the **Power Park Unit** is connected, typically comprising of the **Power Park Unit** transformer and a test impedance or other decoupling equipment to shield the connected network from voltage dips at the **Power Park Unit** terminals.

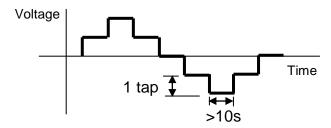
- ECP.A.6.7.3 In each case, the tests should demonstrate the minimum voltage at the **Power Park Unit** terminals or **High Voltage** side of the **Power Park Unit** transformer which the **Power Park Unit** can withstand for the length of time specified in ECP.A.6.7.5. Any test results provided to **The Company** should contain sufficient data pre and post fault in order to determine steady state values of all signals, and the power recovery timescales.
- In addition to the signals outlined in ECP.A.4.2. the following signals from either the **Power Park Unit** terminals or **High Voltage** side of the **Power Park Unit** transformer should be provided for this test only:
  - (i) Phase voltages
  - (ii) Positive phase sequence and negative phase sequence voltages
  - (iii) Phase currents
  - (iv) Positive phase sequence and negative phase sequence currents
  - (v) Estimate of **Power Park Unit** negative phase sequence impedance
  - (vi) MW Active Power at the Power Generating Module.
  - (vii) MVAr Reactive Power at the Power Generating Module.
  - (viii) Mechanical Rotor Speed
  - (ix) Real / reactive, current / power Setpoint as appropriate
  - (x) **Fault Ride Through** protection operation (e.g. a crowbar in the case of a doubly fed induction generator)
  - (xi) Any other signals relevant to the control action of the **Fault Ride Through** control deemed applicable for model validation.

At a suitable frequency rate for fault ride through tests as agreed with **The Company**.

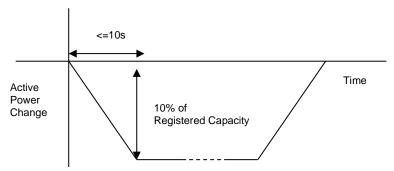
- ECP.A.6.7.5 The tests should be conducted for the times and fault types indicated in ECC.6.3.15 as applicable.
- ECP.A.6.8 Reactive Power Transfer / Voltage Control Tests for Offshore Power Park

  Modules
- In the case of an Offshore Power Park Module which provides all or a portion of the Reactive Power capability as described in ECP.6.3.2.5.2 or ECP.6.3.6.3 and / or voltage control requirements as described in ECC.6.3.8.5 to enable an Offshore Transmission Licensee to meet the requirements of STC Section K, the testing, will comprise of the entire control system responding to changes at the onshore Interface Point. Therefore, the tests in this section ECP.A.6.8 will not apply. The Generator shall cooperate with the relevant Offshore Transmission Licensee to facilitate these tests as required by The Company. The testing may be combined with testing of the corresponding Offshore Transmission Licensee requirements under the STC. The results in relation to the Offshore Power Park Module will be assessed against the requirements in the Bilateral Agreement.
- In the case of an Offshore Power Park Module which does not provide part of the Offshore Transmission Licensee Reactive Power capability the following procedure for conducting Reactive Power transfer control tests on Offshore Power Park Modules and / or voltage control system as per ECC.6.3.2.5 and ECC.6.3.2.6 apply. These tests should be carried out prior to 20% of the Power Park Units within the Offshore Power Park Module being synchronised, and again when at least 95% of the Power Park Units within the Offshore Power Park Module in service. There should be sufficient power resource forecast to generate at least 85% of the Maximum Capacity of the Offshore Power Park Module.

- ECP.A.6.8.3 The **Reactive Power** control system shall be perturbed by a series of system voltage changes and changes to the **Active Power** output of the **Offshore Power Park Module**.
- **System** voltage changes should be created by a series of multiple upstream transformer taps. The **Generator** should coordinate with **The Company** or the relevant **Network Operator** in order to conduct the required tests. The time between transformer taps should be at least 10 seconds as per ECP.A.6.8 Figure 1.
- ECP.A.6.8.5 The **Active Power** output of the **Offshore Power Park Module** should be varied by applying a sufficiently large step to the frequency controller Setpoint/feedback summing junction to cause a 10% change in output of the **Maximum Capacity** of the **Offshore Power Park Module** in a time not exceeding 10 seconds. This test does not need to be conducted provided that the frequency response tests as outlined in ECP.A.6.6 are completed.
- ECP.A.6.8.6 The following diagrams illustrate the tests to be completed:



ECP.A.6.8 Figure 1 – Transformer tap sequence for reactive transfer tests



ECP.A.6.8 Figure 2 – **Active Power** ramp for reactive transfer tests

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## **APPENDIX 7**

#### COMPLIANCE TESTING FOR HVDC EQUIPMENT

#### ECP.A.7.1 SCOPE

- ECP.A.7.1.1 This Appendix outlines the general testing requirements for HVDC System Owners to demonstrate compliance with the relevant aspects of the Grid Code, Ancillary Services Agreement and Bilateral Agreement. The tests specified in this Appendix will normally be sufficient to demonstrate compliance however The Company may:
  - agree an alternative set of tests provided The Company deem the alternative set of tests sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the Grid Code, Ancillary Services Agreement and Bilateral Agreement; and/or
  - require additional or alternative tests if information supplied to The Company during the compliance process suggests that the tests in this Appendix will not fully demonstrate compliance with the relevant section of the Grid Code, Ancillary Services Agreement or Bilateral Agreement; and/or
  - iii) require additional tests if control functions to improve damping of power system oscillations and/or subsynchronous resonance torsional oscillations required by the **Bilateral Agreement** or included in the control scheme and active: and/or
  - iv) agree a reduced set of tests for subsequent HVDC Equipment following successful completion of the first HVDC Equipment tests in the case of an installation comprising of two or more HVDC Systems or DC Connected Power Park Modules which The Company reasonably considers to be identical.

If:

- (a) the tests performed pursuant to ECP.A.7.1.1(iv) in respect of subsequent HVDC Systems or DC Connected Power Park Modules do not replicate the full tests for the first HVDC Equipment, or
- (b) any of the tests performed pursuant to ECP.A.7.1.1(iv) do not fully demonstrate compliance with the relevant aspects of the **Grid Code**, **Ancillary Services Agreement** and / or **Bilateral**
- ECP.A.7.1.2 The **HVDC System Owner** is responsible for carrying out the tests set out in and in accordance with this Appendix and the HVDC System Owner retains the responsibility for the safety of personnel and plant during the test. The **HVDC System Owner** is responsible for ensuring that suitable arrangements are in place with the Externally Interconnected System Operator to facilitate testing. The Company will witness all of the tests outlined or agreed in relation to this Appendix unless The Company decides and notifies the HVDC System Owner otherwise. Reactive Capability tests if required, may be witnessed by The Company remotely from The Company control centre. For all on site at The Company witnessed tests, the HVDC System Owner must ensure suitable representatives from the HVDC System Owner and / or HVDC **Equipment** manufacturer (if appropriate) are available on site for the entire testing period. In all cases and in addition to any recording of signals conducted by The Company, the HVDC System Owner shall record all relevant test signals as outlined in ECP.A.4.

- ECP.A.7.1.3 In addition to the dynamic signals supplied in ECP.A.4 the **HVDC System**Owner shall inform **The Company** of the following information prior to the commencement of the tests and any changes to the following, if any values change during the tests:
  - (i) All relevant transformer tap numbers.
- ECP.A.7.1.4 The **HVDC System Owner** shall submit a detailed schedule of tests to **The Company** in accordance with CP.6.3.1, and this Appendix.
- Prior to the testing of **HVDC Equipment**, the **HVDC System Owner** shall complete the **Integral Equipment Tests** procedure in accordance with OC.7.5.
- ECP.A.7.1.6 Full **HVDC Equipment** testing as required by ECP.7.2 is to be completed as defined in ECP.A.7.2 through to ECP.A.7.5.
- The Company will permit relaxation from the requirement ECP.A.7.2 to ECP.A.7.5 where an Equipment Certificate for HVDC Equipment has been provided which details the characteristics from tests on a representative installation with the same equipment and settings and the performance of the HVDC Equipment can, in The Company's opinion, reasonably represent that of the installed HVDC Equipment at that site. The relevant Equipment Certificate must be supplied in the Users Data File structure.
- ECP.A.7.1.8 The Company may agree a reduction from the requirement ECP.A.7.2 to ECP.A.7.5 for on-site testing where suitable factory acceptance testing on a representative installation with the same equipment and settings of the HVDC Equipment that can, in The Company's opinion, reasonably represent the performance of the installed HVDC Equipment at that site. This is also conditional on The Company and the DC Converter Station owner agreeing sufficient on site testing of the fully commissioned DC Converter Station to demonstrate that the factory acceptance tests are valid. If in the reasonable opinion of The Company, the on-site testing does not demonstrate the factory acceptance tests are valid be carried out.

# ECP.A.7.2 Reactive Capability Test

- This section details the procedure for demonstrating the reactive capability of HVDC Equipment. These tests should be scheduled at a time where there are sufficient MW resource forecasted in order to import and export full Maximum Capacity of the HVDC Equipment.
- ECP.A.7.2.2 The tests shall be performed by modifying the voltage set-point of the voltage control scheme of the **HVDC Equipment** by the amount necessary to demonstrate the required reactive range. This is to be conducted for the operating points and durations specified in ECP.A.7.2.5.
- ECP.A.7.2.3 Embedded HVDC System Owners should liaise with the relevant Network Operator to ensure the following tests will not have an adverse impact upon the Network Operator's System as per OC.7.5. In situations where the tests have an adverse impact upon the Network Operator's System, The Company will only require demonstration within the acceptable limits of the Network Operator. For the avoidance of doubt, these tests do not negate the requirement to produce a complete HVDC Equipment performance chart as specified in OC2.4.2.1
- ECP.A.7.2.4 In the case where the Reactive Power metering point is not at the same

location as the **Reactive Power** capability requirement, then an equivalent **Reactive Power** capability for the metering point shall be agreed between the **HVDC System Owner** and **The Company**.

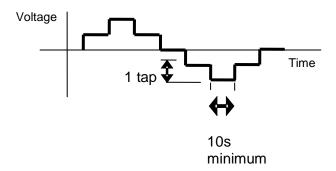
- ECP.A.7.2.5 The following tests shall be completed for both importing and exporting of **Active Power** for a **DC Converter**:
  - (i) Operation at **Maximum Capacity** and maximum continuous lagging **Reactive Power** for 60 minutes.
  - (ii) Operation at **Maximum Capacity** and maximum continuous leading **Reactive Power** for 60 minutes.
  - (iii) Operation at 50% **Maximum Capacity** and maximum continuous leading **Reactive Power** for 60 minutes.
  - (iv) Operation at 50% **Maximum Capacity** and maximum continuous lagging **Reactive Power** for 60 minutes.
  - (v) Operation at **Minimum Capacity** and maximum continuous leading Reactive Power for 60 minutes.
  - (vi) Operation at **Minimum Capacity** and maximum continuous lagging **Reactive Power** for 60 minutes.
- For the avoidance of doubt, lagging Reactive Power is the export of Reactive Power from the HVDC Equipment to the Total System and leading Reactive Power is the import of Reactive Power from the Total System to the HVDC Equipment.
- ECP.A.7.3 Not used

#### ECP.A.7.4 Voltage Control Tests

- ECP.A.7.4.1 This section details the procedure for conducting voltage control tests on HVDC Equipment. These tests should be scheduled at a time where there is sufficient MW resource in order to import and export Maximum Capacity of the HVDC Equipment. An Embedded HVDC System Owner should also liaise with the relevant Network Operator to ensure all requirements covered in this section will not have a detrimental effect on the Network Operator's System.
- ECP.A.7.4.2 The voltage control system shall be perturbed with a series of step injections to the **HVDC Equipment** voltage Setpoint, and where possible, multiple upstream transformer taps.
- ECP.A.7.4.3 For steps initiated using network tap changers the **HVDC System Owner** will need to coordinate with **The Company** or the relevant **Network Operator** as appropriate. The time between transformer taps shall be at least 10 seconds as per ECP.A.7.4 Figure 1.
- For step injection into the **HVDC Equipment** voltage setpoint, steps of ±1%, ±2% and ±4% shall be applied to the voltage control system setpoint summing junction. The injection shall be maintained for 10 seconds as per ECP.A.7.4 Figure 2.
- Where the voltage control system comprises of discretely switched plant and apparatus, additional tests will be required to demonstrate that its performance is in accordance with **Grid Code** and **Bilateral Agreement** requirements.

#### ECP.A.7.4.6 Tests to be completed:

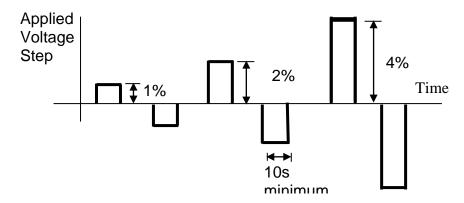
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ECP.A.7.4 Figure 1 – Transformer tap sequence for voltage control tests

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ECP.A.7.4 Figure 2 – Step injection sequence for voltage control tests

## ECP.A.7.5 <u>Frequency Response Tests</u>

- ECP.A.7.5.1 This section describes the procedure for performing frequency response testing on HVDC Equipment. These tests should be scheduled at a time where there is sufficient MW resource in order to import and export full Maximum Capacity of the HVDC Equipment. The HVDC System Owner is responsible for ensuring that suitable arrangements are in place with the Externally Interconnected System Operator to facilitate the Active Power changes required by these tests
- Frequency Sensitive Mode as appropriate for each test. Simulated frequency deviation signals shall be injected into the frequency controller Setpoint/feedback summing junction. If the injected frequency signal replaces rather than sums with the real System Frequency signal, then the additional tests outlined in ECP.A.7.5.6 shall be performed with the HVDC Equipment in normal Frequency Sensitive Mode monitoring actual System Frequency, over a period of at least 10 minutes. The aim of this additional test is to verify that the control system correctly measures the real System Frequency for normal variations over a period of time.
- ECP.A.7.5.3 In addition to the frequency response requirements, it is necessary to demonstrate the **HVDC Equipment** ability to deliver a requested steady state power output which is not impacted by power source variation as per ECC.6.3.9. This test shall be conducted in **Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode** at a part-loaded output for a period of 10 minutes as per ECP.A.7.5.6.

Preliminary Frequency Response Testing

Prior to conducting the full set of tests as per ECP.A.7.5.6, HVDC System Owners are required to conduct a preliminary set of tests below to confirm the frequency injection method is correct and the plant control performance is within expectation. The test numbers refer to Figure 1 below. These tests should be scheduled at a time where there is sufficient MW resource in order to export full Maximum Capacity from the HVDC Equipment. The following frequency injections shall be applied when operating at module load point 4.

Test No	Frequency Injection	Notes

(Figure1)		
8	<ul> <li>Inject -0.5Hz frequency fall over 10 sec</li> <li>Hold for a further 20 sec</li> <li>At 30 sec from the start of the test, Inject a +0.3Hz frequency rise over 30 sec.</li> <li>Hold until conditions stabilise</li> <li>Remove the injected signal as a ramp over 10 seconds</li> </ul>	
13	<ul> <li>Inject - 0.5Hz frequency fall over 10 sec</li> <li>Hold until conditions stabilise</li> <li>Remove the injected signal as a ramp over 10 seconds</li> </ul>	
14	<ul> <li>Inject +0.5Hz frequency rise over 10 sec</li> <li>Hold until conditions stabilise</li> <li>Remove the injected signal as a ramp over 10 seconds</li> </ul>	
Н	<ul> <li>Inject - 0.5Hz frequency fall as a stepchange</li> <li>Hold until conditions stabilise</li> <li>Remove the injected signal as a stepchange</li> </ul>	
I	<ul> <li>Inject +0.5Hz frequency rise as a stepchange</li> <li>Hold until conditions stabilise</li> <li>Remove the injected signal as a stepchange</li> </ul>	

ECP.A.7.5.5 The recorded results (e.g. Finj, MW and control signals) should be sampled at a minimum rate of 1Hz to allow **The Company** to assess the plant performance from the initial transients (seconds) to the final steady state conditions (5-15 minutes depending on the plant design). This is not witnessed by **The Company**. The **HVDC System Owner** shall supply the recordings including data to **The Company** in an electronic spreadsheet format. Results shall be legible, identifiable by labelling, and shall have appropriate scaling.

Full Frequency Response Testing Schedule Witnessed by The Company

ECP.A.7.5.6 The tests are to be conducted at a number of different Module Load Points (MLP). In the case of **HVDC Equipment** the load points are conducted as shown below unless agreed otherwise by **The Company**.

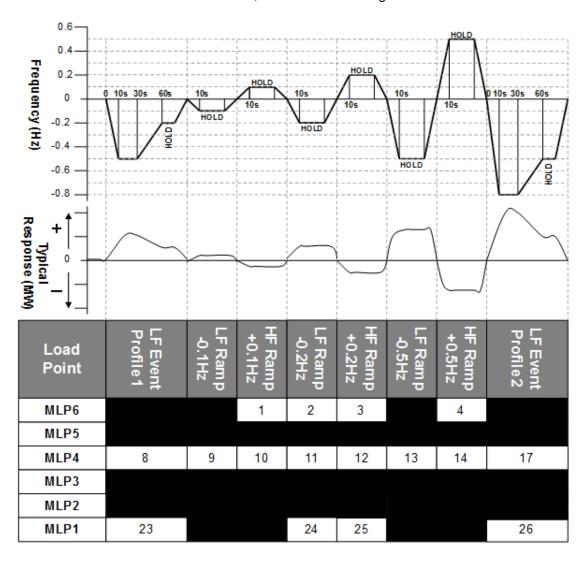
Module Load Point 6	100% MaxHAPTC
(Maximum HVDC Active Power Transmission Capacity)	
Module Load Point 5	90% MaxHAPTC
Module Load Point 4	80% MaxHAPTC
Module Load Point 3	MinHAPTC+0.6 x (80%
	MaxHAPTC-MinHAPTC)
Module Load Point 2	MinHAPTC+0.3 x (80%
	MaxHAPTC-MinHAPTC)
Module Load Point 1	MinHAPTC
(Minimum HVDC Active Power Transmission Capacity)	

### ECP.A.7.5.7 The tests are divided into the following two types;

- (i) Frequency response compliance and volume tests as per ECP.A.7.5. Figure 1. These tests consist of frequency profile and ramp tests and adjustments to **Target Frequency** setpoint as per ECP.A.7.5 Figure 3.
- (ii) System islanding and step response tests as shown by ECP.A.7.5 Figure 2

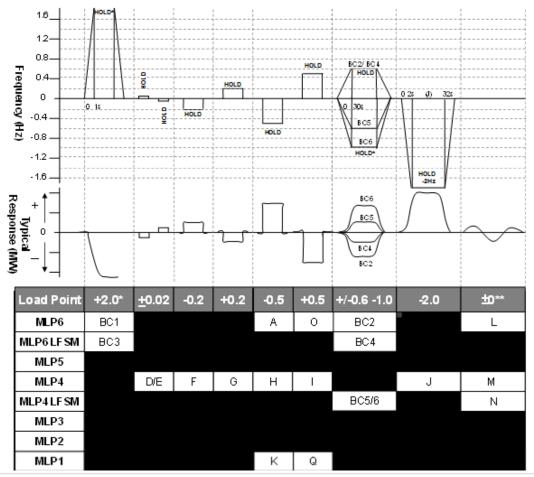
ECP.A.7.5. Fig 1 and 2 are shown for the Importing of **Active Power**, simulated frequency polarity should be reversed when exporting **Active Power**.

There should be sufficient time allowed between tests for control systems to reach steady state (depending on available power resource). Where the diagram states 'HOLD' the current injection should be maintained until the **Active Power** (MW) output of the **HVDC Equipment** has stabilised or 90 seconds whichever is the longer. All frequency response tests should be removed over the same timescale for which they were applied. **The Company** may require repeat tests should the response volume be affected by the available power, or if tests give unexpected results. When witnessed by **The Company** each test should be carried out as a separate injection, when not witnessed by **The Company** there must be sufficient time allowed between tests for the **Active Power** (MW) output of the **HVDC Equipment** to have stabilised or 90 seconds, whichever is the longer.



ECP.A.7.5. Figure 1 – Frequency Response Capability FSM Ramp Response tests

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ECP.A.7.5. Figure 2 – Frequency Response Capability LFSM-O, LFSM-U, FSM Step Response tests

\* This will generally be +2.0Hz unless an injection of this size causes a reduction in plant output that takes the operating point below the **Minimum Regulating Level** in which case an appropriate injection should be calculated in accordance with the following:

For example 0.9Hz is needed to take an initial output 65% to a final output of 20%. If the initial output was not 65% and the **Minimum Regulating Level** is not 20%, then the injected step should be adjusted accordingly as shown in the example given below

Initial Output 65%

Minimum Regulating Level 20%

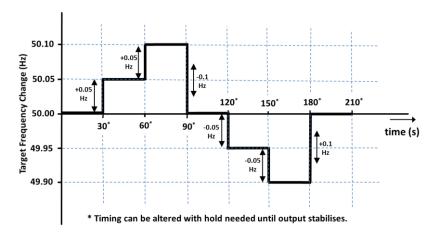
Frequency Controller Droop 4%

Frequency to be injected = (0.65-0.20)x0.04x50 = 0.9Hz

\*\* Tests L and M in Figure 2 shall be conducted if in this range of tests the **System Frequency** feedback signal is replaced by the injection signal rather than the injection signal being added to the **System Frequency** signal. The tests will consist of monitoring the **HVDC Equipment** in **Frequency Sensitive Mode** during normal **System Frequency** variations without applying any injection. Test N in Figure 2 shall be conducted in all cases. All three tests should be conducted for a period of at least 10 minutes.

ECP.A.7.5.9 The target frequency adjustment facility should be demonstrated from the normal control point within the range of 49.9Hz to 50.1Hz by step changes to

the **Target Frequency** setpoint as indicated in ECP.A.7.5 Figure 3 while operating at MLP4.



ECP.A.7.5. Figure 3 – Target Frequency setting changes

#### **APPENDIX 8**

# SIMULATION STUDIES AND COMPLIANCE TESTING FOR NETWORK OPERATORS AND NON-EMBEDDED CUSTOMERS PLANT AND APPARATUS

- ECP.A.8.1 Compliance testing for disconnection and reconnection of Network Operator's Plant and Apparatus
- ECP.A.8.1.1 **Network Operators** shall comply with the following applicable requirements in respect of **EU Grid Supply Points**:
  - (i) Demand disconnection schemes:
  - (ii) Synchronising; and/or
  - (iii) low frequency demand disconnection;
- ECP.A.8.1.2 The requirements for demand disconnection, other than low frequency demand disconnection, are pursuant to the requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement**. Any requirements for testing shall be agreed with the **User** where such requirements are applicable.
- ECP.A.8.1.3 The requirements for synchronising (where applicable) shall be pursuant to the requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and ECC.6.2.3.10. Any requirements for testing (as applicable) shall be agreed with the **User** and carried out during the commissioning process.
- ECP.A.8.1.4 **Network Operators** who are **EU Code Users** must demonstrate compliance with the low frequency demand disconnection requirements of ECC.6.4.3, ECC.A.5 and OC.6.6 for their entire distribution **System**.
- ECP.A.8.1.5 An equipment certificate may be submitted to **The Company** instead of part of the tests provided for in ECP.A.8.1.1.
- ECP.A.8.2 Compliance testing for operational metering at EU Grid Supply Points
- The requirements for operational metering (where required) shall be pursuant to the requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and ECC.6.5.6. Any applicable requirements for testing shall be agreed with the **User** and carried out during the commissioning process. An **Equipment Certificate** may be used for this purpose where agreed with **The Company**.
- ECP.A.8.3 <u>Compliance testing for disconnection and reconnection of Non-Embedded Customers Plant and Apparatus</u>
- ECP.A.8.3.1 **Non-Embedded Customers** shall comply with the following requirements where applicable:
  - (i) Demand disconnection schemes;
  - (ii) Synchronising; and/or
  - (iii) low frequency demand disconnection;
- ECP.A.8.3.2 The requirements for demand disconnection, other than low frequency demand disconnection, are pursuant to the requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement**. Any requirements for testing shall be agreed with the **User**.
- ECP.A.8.3.3 The requirements for synchronising (where applicable) shall be pursuant to the requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and ECC.6.2.3.10. Any requirements for testing (as applicable) shall be agreed with the **User** and carried out during the commissioning process.

- ECP.A.8.3.4 **Non-Embedded Customers** who are **EU Code Users** must demonstrate compliance with the low frequency demand disconnection requirements of ECC.6.4.3, ECC.A.5 and OC.6.6 of their **System**.
- ECP.A.8.3.5 An equipment certificate may be submitted to **The Company** instead of part of the tests provided for in ECP.A.8.3.1.
- ECP.A.8.4 <u>Compliance testing for operational metering on Non-Embedded Customers</u>
  <u>Plant and Apparatus</u>
- ECP.A.8.4.1 The requirements for operational metering (where required)) shall be pursuant to the requirements of the **Bilateral Agreement** and ECC.6.5.6. Any applicable requirements for testing shall be agreed with the **User** and carried out during the commissioning process. An **Equipment Certificate** may be used for this purpose where agreed with **The Company**.ECP.A.8.5 Common Provisions on Compliance Simulations
- ECP.A.8.5.1 **Users** are required to provide simulation studies or equivalent information to the satisfaction of **The Company** in the following circumstances.
  - (i) a new connection to the **Transmission System** is required forming part of an **EU Grid Supply Point**;
  - (ii) a Substantial Modification takes place at an EU Grid Supply Point
  - (iii) The Company becomes aware of a potential non-compliance by the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer at an EU Grid Supply Point.
- ECP.A.8.5.2 Notwithstanding the requirements of ECP.A.8.5.1, **The Company** shall be entitled to:-
  - (a) Allow the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer to carry out an alternative set of simulations (or equivalent information) provided that they demonstrate that the Network Operators or Non-Embedded Customers Plant and Apparatus is capable of satisfying the applicable requirements of the Data Registration Code.
  - (b) Require the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer to carry out additional or alternative simulations (or equivalent information) to those specified in ECP.A.8.5.1 where they would otherwise be insufficient to demonstrate compliance.
  - (c) The Company may check that the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer complies with the requirements of the Grid Code by carrying out its own compliance simulations based on the simulation reports, models and test measurements submitted under the Data Registration Code.
- The Company will supply (under PC.A.8) upon request to the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer, data to enable the Network Operator or Non-Embedded Customer to carry out the required simulations or supply the equivalent information required under the Data Registration Code.
- ECP.A.8.6 Compliance simulations for EU Grid Supply Points
- ECP.A.8.6.1 **Networks Operators** who are also **EU Code Users**, are required to provide simulation studies (or make available equivalent information) at each **EU Grid Supply Point** to demonstrate compliance with the **Reactive Power** capability requirements set out in ECC.6.4.5. The study or equivalent information provided shall include a steady state simulation model under both maximum

and minimum demand conditions. In addition, the model or equivalent information provided shall include the conditions when the **Reactive Power** export is at an **Active Power** flow of less than 25% of the **Maximum Import Capability** as detailed under ECC.6.4.5.2. In all cases the models or equivalent information submitted shall be agreed and approved with **The Company**.

### ECP.A.8.7 <u>Compliance simulations for Non-Embedded Customers Plant and Apparatus</u>

ECP.A.8.7.1 None Embedded Customers who are also EU Code Users are required at each EU Grid Supply Point to provide simulation studies (or equivalent information) to demonstrate compliance with the Reactive Power capability requirements set out in ECC.6.4.5. The study or equivalent information provided shall include a steady state simulation model under both maximum and minimum demand conditions and with and without on-site generation. In all cases the models or equivalent information submitted shall be agreed and approved with The Company.

#### ECP.A.8.8 Compliance monitoring at EU Grid Supply Points

To satisfy the requirements of ECC.6.4.5, EU Code Users who are either Network Operators or Non-Embedded Customers shall ensure their Plant and Apparatus is equipped (where applicable), with the necessary equipment to measure the Active Power and Reactive Power, at each EU Grid Supply Point. The requirement for and time frame for compliance monitoring shall be agreed between The Company and the EU Code User for each EU Grid Supply Point.

# APPENDIX 9 COMPLIANCE TESTING FOR GRID FORMING PLANT

#### ECP.A.9.1 SCOPE

- ECP.A.9.1.1 This Appendix outlines the general testing requirements for **Users** or **Non-CUSC Parties** to demonstrate compliance with the relevant aspects of the **Grid Code**, **Ancillary Services Agreement** and **Bilateral Agreement**. The tests specified in this Appendix will normally be sufficient to demonstrate compliance of a **GBGF-I**, however **The Company** may:
  - agree to an alternative set of tests provided The Company deem the alternative set of tests sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the Grid Code, Ancillary Services Agreement and Bilateral Agreement; and/or
  - ii) require additional or alternative tests if information supplied to **The Company** during the compliance process suggests that the tests in this Appendix will not fully demonstrate compliance with the relevant section of the **Grid Code**, **Ancillary Services Agreement** or **Bilateral Agreement**; and/or
  - require additional tests if control functions to improve damping of power system oscillations or additional functions to prove the capability of the GBGF-I is required by the Bilateral Agreement or included in the control scheme; and/or
  - iv) agree a reduced set of tests for the subsequent **GBGF-I** following successful completion of the first **Grid Forming** tests in the case of an installation comprising of two or more **GBGF-Is** which **The Company** reasonably considers to be identical if: -
    - (a) the tests performed pursuant to ECP.A.9.1.9 in respect of subsequent **GBGF-I Plants** do not replicate the full tests for the first **GBGF-I**; or
    - (b) any of the tests performed pursuant to ECP.A.9.1.9 do not fully demonstrate compliance with the relevant aspects of the **Grid Code**, **Ancillary Services Agreement** and / or **Bilateral Agreement**.
- The User or Non-CUSC Party is responsible for carrying out the tests set out in and in accordance with this Appendix and the User or Non-CUSC Party retains the responsibility for the safety of personnel and plant during the test. The Company will witness all of the tests outlined or agreed in relation to this Appendix unless The Company decides and notifies the User or Non-CUSC Party otherwise. For all on site at The Company witnessed tests, the User or Non-CUSC Party must ensure suitable representatives from the Grid Forming Plant's manufacturer (if appropriate) are available on site for the entire testing period. In all cases and in addition to any recording of signals conducted by The Company, the User or Non-CUSC Party shall record all relevant test signals as outlined in ECP.A.4.
- ECP.A.9.1.3 In addition to the dynamic signals supplied in ECP.A.4, the **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** shall inform **The Company** of the following information prior to the commencement of the tests and any changes to the following, if any values change during the tests:
  - (i) All relevant transformer tap numbers, if used.
  - (ii) Number of **Grid Forming Units** in operation.
- ECP.A.9.1.4 The **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** shall submit a detailed schedule of tests to **The Company** in accordance with ECP.6.3.1, and this Appendix.
- ECP.A.9.1.5 Prior to the testing of the **GBGF-I** the **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** shall complete

the Integral Equipment Tests procedure in accordance with OC.7.5.

- ECP.A.9.1.6 Full **GBGF-I** testing as required by ECP.7.2 is to be completed as defined in ECP.A.9.1.9.
- The Company will permit relaxation from the requirements in ECP.A.9.1.9 where an Equipment Certificate for GBGF-I has been provided which details the characteristics from tests on a representative installation with the same equipment and settings and the performance of the GBGF-I can, in The Company's opinion, reasonably represent that of the installed GBGF-I at that site. The relevant Equipment Certificate must be supplied in the Users Data File Structure.
- Prior to any **GBGF-I** tests taking place, the **User** or **Non-CUSC Party** shall have completed the relevant compliance tests on the **GBGF-I**, **Power Generating Module** or **Generating Unit** as required under ECP.A.5 or OC5. A.2 (as relevant) or **Power Park Module** as required under ECP.A.6 or OC5. A.3 (as applicable) or **HVDC Systems** or **DC Converters** as required under ECP.A.7 or OC5. A.4 (as applicable).
- ECP.A.9.1.9 Demonstration of **Grid Forming Capability**
- ECP.A.9.1.9.1 This section details the procedure for demonstrating **Active ROCOF Response Power**. Ideally if the test is being completed as part of a type test on an isolated network and it is possible to change the frequency of the isolated network then the tests should be completed using a variable network **Frequency**. **The Company** recognise that it is not possible in a large number of cases to adjust the network frequency of the network to which the **Grid Forming Plant** is connected. If a suitable test network is not available, performance of the **GBGF-I** will need to be demonstrated through online monitoring as detailed in CC.6.6 or ECC.6.6 and simulation studies as required under ECP.A.3.9.4 will be required during the **Interim Operational Notification Process** as provided for under CP.6 or ECP.6 (as applicable).
- ECP.A.9.1.9.2 In this test, with the **Grid Forming Plant** initially running at full load, the test network frequency is ideally increased from 50Hz to 51 Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s with measurements of the **Grid Forming Plant's Active ROCOF Response Power**, **System Frequency** and time in (ms). The test is required to assess correct operation of the **Grid Forming Plant** without saturating. This test is then repeated for a 50 Hz to 49 Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s.
- ECP.A.9.1.9.3 These tests are required to assess the **Grid Forming Plant's** withstand capabilities under extreme **System Frequencies**.
  - (i) For **Grid Forming Plant** comprising a **GBGF-I** the frequency of the test network is increased from 50Hz to 52Hz at a rate of 2Hz/s with measurements of the **Grid Forming Plant's Active ROCOF Response Power**, **System Frequency** and time in (ms).
  - (ii) For a **Grid Forming Plant** comprising a **GBGF-I** the frequency of the test network is increased from 50Hz to 52Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s with measurements of the **Grid Forming Plant's Active ROCOF Response Power, System Frequency** and time in (ms).
  - (iii) For **Grid Forming Plant** comprising a **GBGF-I** the frequency of the test network is decreased from 50Hz to 47 Hz at a rate of 2Hz/s with measurements of the **Grid Forming Plant's Active ROCOF Response Power, System Frequency** and time in (ms).

- (iii) For **Grid Forming Plant** comprising a **GBGF-I** the frequency of the test network is decreased from 50Hz to 47 Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s with measurements of the **Grid Forming Plant's Active ROCOF Response Power, System Frequency** and time in (ms).
- ECP.A.9.1.9.4 This test is to demonstrate the **Grid Forming Plant's** ability to supply **Active ROCOF Response Power** over the full **System Frequency** range.
  - (a) With the frequency of the test network set to 50Hz, the GBGF-I should be initially running at 75% Maximum Capacity or Registered Capacity, zero MVAr output and both Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode and Frequency Sensitive Mode disabled.
  - (b) The frequency is then increased from 50Hz to 52Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s over a 2 second period. Allow conditions to stabilise for 5 seconds and then decrease the frequency from 52Hz to 47Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s over a 5 second period. Allow conditions to stabilise.
  - (c) Record results of **Active ROCOF Response Power**, **Reactive Power**, voltage and frequency.
  - (d) The test now needs to be re-run in the opposite direction. The same initial conditions should be applied as per ECP.A.9.1.9.4(a).
  - (e) The frequency is then decreased from 50Hz to 47Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s over a 3 second period. Allow conditions to stabilise for 5 seconds and then increase the frequency from 47Hz to 52Hz at a rate of 1Hz/s over a 5 second period. Allow conditions to stabilise.
  - (f) Record results of **Active ROCOF Response Power**, **Reactive Power**, voltage and frequency.
- ECP.A.9.1.9.5 This test is to demonstrate the **Grid Forming Plant's** ability to supply **Active Phase Jump Power** under normal operation.
  - (a) With the frequency of the test network set to 50Hz, the GBGF-I should be initially running at Maximum Capacity or Registered Capacity or at its agreed deloaded point, zero MVAr output and all control actions (e.g. Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode, Frequency Sensitive Mode and voltage control) disabled.
  - (b) Apply a positive phase jump of up to the **Phase Jump Angle Limit** at the **Grid Entry Point** or **User System Entry Point** (if **Embedded**).
  - (c) This test can then be repeated by injecting the same angle into the Grid Forming Plant's control system (as indicatively shown in Figure ECP.A.9.1.9.5). This specific test can be repeated on site as required for a routine performance evaluation test. It should be noted that Figure ECP.A.9.1.9.5 is a simplified representation. Each Grid Forming Plant Owner can use their own design, that may be very different to Figure ECP.A.9.1.9.5 but should contain all relevant functions that can include test points and other equivalent data and documentation. Any additional signals, measurements, parameters and tests shall be agreed between the Grid Forming Plant Owner and The Company.
  - (d) Repeat tests (b) and (c) with a negative injection up to the **Phase Jump Angle Limit**.
  - (e) Record traces of **Active Power**, **Reactive Power**, voltage, current and frequency for a period of 10 seconds after the step change in phase has been applied.

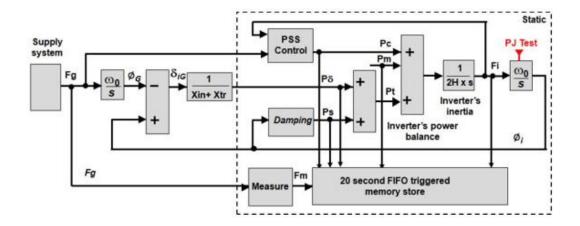


Figure ECP.A.9.1.9.5

As part of these tests, the corresponding **Active Power** change resulting from a phase shift will be a function of the local reactance and the location of where the phase shift is applied in addition to any additional upstream impedance between the **GBGF-I** and phase step location.

- ECP.A.9.1.9.6 This test is to demonstrate the **Grid Forming Plant's** ability to supply **Active Phase Jump Power** under extreme conditions. Where it is not possible to undertake this test as part of a type test, **The Company** will accept demonstration through a combination of simulation studies as required under ECP.A.3.9.4(vi) and online monitoring as required under ECC.6.6.1.9.
  - (a) With the frequency of the test network set to 50Hz, the Grid Forming Plant should be initially running at its Minimum Stable Operating Level or Minimum Stable Generation, zero MVAr output and all control actions (e.g., Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode, Frequency Sensitive Mode and voltage control) disabled.
  - (b) Apply a phase jump of 60 degrees at the connection point of the **GBGF-I** or into the **Grid Forming Plant's** control system as shown in Figure ECP.A.9.1.9.5.
  - (c) Record traces of **Active Power**, **Reactive Power**, voltage, current and frequency for a period of 10 seconds after the step change in phase has been applied.
  - (d) Repeat steps (a), (b) and (c) of ECP.A.9.1.9.6 but on this occasion apply a phase jump equivalent to the positive **Phase Jump Angle Limit** at the Grid.
- ECP.A.9.1.9.7 This test is to demonstrate the **GBGF-Is** ability to supply **Active Phase Jump Power**, **Fault Ride Through** and **GBGF Fast Fault Current Injection** during a faulted condition. Where it is not possible to undertake this test as part of a type test, **The Company** will accept demonstration through a combination of simulation studies as required under ECP.A.3.9.4(vii) and online monitoring as required under CC.6.6 and ECC.6.6.1.9.
  - (a) With the frequency set to 50Hz, the Grid Forming Plant should be initially running at its Maximum Capacity or Registered Capacity or at an alternative loading point as agreed with The Company, zero MVAr output and all control actions (e.g., Limited

- Frequency Sensitive Mode, Frequency Sensitive Mode and voltage control) disabled.
- (b) Apply a solid three phase short circuit fault at the connection point in the test network forming part of the type test for 140ms or alternatively the equivalent of a zero retained voltage for 140ms.
- (c) Record traces of Active Power, Reactive Power, voltage, current and frequency for a period of 10 seconds after the fault has been applied.
- (d) Repeat steps (a) to (c) but on this occasion with fault ride through, GBGF Fast Fault Current Injection Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode and voltage control switched into service.
- (e) Record traces of **Active Power**, **Reactive Power**, voltage, current and frequency for a period of 10 seconds after the step change in phase has been applied and confirm correct operation.
- ECP.A.9.1.9.8 The final test required is to demonstrate the **GBGF-I** is capable of contributing to **Active Damping Power**. The **Grid Forming Plant Owner** should configure their **Grid Forming Plant** in form or equivalent (as agreed with **The Company**) as shown in Figure ECP.A.3.9.6(a) or Figure ECP.A.3.9.6(b) as applicable. Each **Grid Forming Plant Owner** can use their own design, that may be very different to Figures ECP.A.3.9.6(a) or ECP.A.3.9.6 (b) but should contain all relevant functions.

As part of this test, the **Grid Forming Plant Owner** is required to inject a signal into the **Grid Forming Plant** controller. The results supplied need to verify the following criteria:-

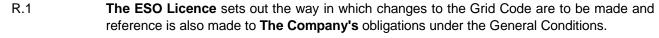
i) Inject a **Test Signal** into the **Grid Forming Plant** controller to demonstrate the **Active Control Based Power** output is supplied below the 5Hz bandwidth limit. An acceptable performance will be judged where the overshoot or decay matches the **Damping Factor** declared by the **Grid Forming Plant Owner** as submitted in PC.A.5.8.1 in addition to assessment against the requirements of CC.A.6.2.6.1 or ECC.A.6.2.6.1 or CC.A.7.2.2.5 or ECC.A.7.2.5.2 as applicable.

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## **REVISIONS**

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- R.2 All pages re-issued have the revision number on the lower left hand corner of the page and date of the revision on the lower right hand corner of the page.
- R.3 The Grid Code was introduced in March 1990 and the first issue was revised 31 times. In March 2001 the New Electricity Trading Arrangements were introduced and Issue 2 of the Grid Code was introduced which was revised 16 times. At British Electricity Trading and Transmission Arrangements (BETTA) Go-Active Issue 3 of the Grid Code was introduced and subsequently revised 35 times. At Offshore Go-active Issue 4 of the Grid Code was introduced and has been revised 13 times since its original publication. Issue 5 of the Grid Code was published to accommodate the changes made by Grid Code Modification A/10 which has incorporated the **Generator** compliance process into the Grid Code, which was revised 47 times. Issue 6 was published to incorporate all the non-material amendments as a result of modification GC0136.
- R.4 This Revisions section provides a summary of the sections of the Grid Code changed by each revision to Issue 6.
- R.5 All enquiries in relation to revisions to the Grid Code, including revisions to Issues 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 should be addressed to the Grid Code development team at the following email address:

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16	European Connection Conditions	GC0141	05 January 2023
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21	Operating Code 1	GC0156	4 March 2024
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27	Operating Code 2	Establishing ISOP in industry codes 2024	1 October 2024
27	Data Registration Code	Establishing ISOP in industry codes 2024	1 October 2024
27	General Conditions	Establishing ISOP in industry codes 2024	1 October 2024
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