

# Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP) 26 June 2025

# **Grid Code Review Panel Minutes**

Date:	26/06/2025	Location:	Microsoft Teams
Start:	10:00	End:	12:10

# **Participants**

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Penny Garner	PG	Acting Independent Panel Chair
Lizzie Timmins	LT	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Andrew Hemus	АН	Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator
Adegboyega Akomolafe	AAk	Alternate, Generator Representative
Andrew Allan	AA	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Claire Newton	CN	Panel Member, NESO Representative
David Michie	DM	Panel Member, Onshore Transmission Licensee Representative
David Monkhouse	DMo	Panel Member, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Fraser Scott	FS	Alternate, Onshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Graeme Vincent	GC	Alternate, Network Operator Representative



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Gurpal Singh	GS	Authority Representative
John Harrower	JH	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Matthew Larreta	ML	Observer, NESO
Nadir Hafeez	NH	Authority Observer
Rashmi	RR	BSC Panel Representative
Radhakrishnan		•
Richard Wilson	RW	Alternate, Network Operator Representative
Robert Longden	RL	Panel Member, Supplier Representative
Sigrid Bolik	SiB	Panel Member, Generator Representative

# **Apologies**

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Alan Creighton	AC	Panel Member, Network Operator
Matthew White	MW	Representative  Papel Member, Network Operator Representative
		Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Sarah Williams	SW	Panel Technical Secretary
Scott Bull	SB	Authority Observer

# 1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

10952. Apologies were received from Alan Creighton, Matthew White, Scott Bull and Sarah Williams.

10953. No declarations of interest were received.

# 2. Minutes from previous meeting





10954. The meeting minutes from the Grid Code Review Panel held on 22 May 2025 were approved, with the incorporation of minor amendments proposed by AC, GV and CN.

### 3. Review of actions log

10955. LT provided an update on the open actions, noting that actions 456 and 465 were recommended to remain open and noted Action 468 was not due until July.

# 4. Chair's update

10956. The Chair gave an update on the Independent Panel Chair recruitment progress sharing that interviews are taking place next week, which will be followed with a letter to Ofgem detailing the preferred candidate.

Hopefully the new Chair will be in place to shadow the September Panel and then to Chair the October Panel. The Chair noted thanks to Grid Code and CUSC Panel members for coming forward to assist during the recruitment process.

# 5. Authority Decisions

- 10957. GS advised that the expected decision date for <u>GC0117</u>: <u>Improving</u>

  <u>transparency and consistency of access arrangements across Great</u>

  <u>Britain by the creation of a pan-Great Britain commonality of Power</u>

  <u>Station requirements</u> is to be in early July.
- 10958. GS advised that the Authority are minded to approve the EU NCER System Test Plan with the decision approval letter to be published shortly.
- 10959. GS provided an Energy Code Reform update, noting that Ofgem has now published a decision on Code Manager selection. Alongside the decision, Ofgem has published their updated guidance on Code





Manager selection after consideration of stakeholder feedback. Ofgem is planning to begin the selection process for phase 2 codes as soon as possible and will share more information in due course. They advised the Panel to contact <a href="mailto:industrycodes@ofgem.gov.uk">industrycodes@ofgem.gov.uk</a> with any questions.

### 6. New modifications

10960. There were no new modifications presented to the Panel.

# 7. In flight modification updates

### **GC0164: Simplification of Operating Code No.2**

- 10961. LT advised that, following feedback from the Code Administrator Consultation, GC0164 now requires changes to be made to the Data Registration Code, which is listed in Annex GR.B Table 1. As such, the Code Administrator believes that this modification no longer meets the Self-Governance Criteria.
- 10962. The Panel agreed that the modification no longer meets the Self-Governance criteria and directed the Code Administrator to retract the Self-Governance Statement under GR.24.11.

# GC0179: Removal of Balancing Code No.4 from the Grid Code

- 10963. LT presented GC0179 and advised the deadline for Workgroup nominations was initially set for 28 May. However, due to a lack of responses, the Code Administrator extended the deadline to 12 June.

  Despite the extension, there have been no nominations for the GC0179 Workgroup.
- 10964. The Panel invited the Proposer to further develop their Grid Code

  Modification Proposal before presenting it to a subsequent meeting of
  the Grid Code Review Panel under GR.19.2(b).



10965. RR noted that a consequential BSC modification would be required following on from GC0179. The Governance route for this BSC modification is yet to be determined.

### 8. Workgroup Reports

### GC0168: Submission of Electro Magnetic Transient (EMT) Models

- 10966. LT gave a presentation on GC0168 which seeks to require certain Users to provide NESO with EMT models to enable analyses such as system oscillation, inverter stability and Transient Over Voltage (ToV).
- 10967. Panel members discussed that they thought the Workgroup had not met the Terms of Reference for the modification on the grounds of interactions with other modifications and the draft legal text not meeting the requirements, as the legal text refers to an Electrical Standard that has not been shared with Panel as yet. Panel members also noted that some feedback from the Workgroup Consultation had not been adequately addressed by the Workgroup.
- 10968. The Panel did not agree that the Terms of Reference for the modification had been met and asked for the Workgroup to further review the modification before presenting the Workgroup Report at a subsequent Panel meeting.

# GC0174: Review of obligations to provide EU Transparency Availability Data as specified in OC2.4.7

- 10969. LT gave a presentation on GC0174 which aims to remove the obligation to provide EU Transparency Availability Data.
- 10970. The Panel agreed that the Workgroup has met the Terms of Reference of the modification and that it can proceed to Code Administrator Consultation.

# 9. Draft Final Modification Reports





# <u>GC0166: Introducing new Balancing Mechanism Parameters for Limited</u> Duration <u>Assets</u>

- 10971. LT presented the Draft Final Modification Report for GC0166 to the Panel, noting that 7 non-confidential responses and 0 confidential responses were received as part of the Code Administrator Consultation.
- 10972. LT noted that one respondent raised a legal text issue, expressing concern with the lack of clarity and general quality of the legal text drafting. LT also clarified that this issue was raised in the Workgroup before the legal text was agreed, and that the Workgroup were happy with the final legal text. The Panel agreed that no legal text changes were required.
- 10973. One Panel member noted that the majority of Code Administrator Consultation respondents did not support the implementation approach. LT clarified that most of these comments were in relation to timings following the approval of the modification, rather than the modification itself, and also noted that the Authority will have all Code Administrator Consultation responses in an Annex alongside the Final Modification Report.
- 10974. The Panel held their Recommendation Vote for GC0166 and agreed unanimously that the Original Proposal better facilitates the Grid Code Objectives than the Baseline. The Final Modification Report will be issued to the Authority on 08 July 2025.

### 10. Discussion on Prioritisation

- 10975. The Panel agreed to conduct a thorough review of the prioritisation stack at the July panel meeting.
- 10976. GV highlighted the recent Iberian power outage and queried whether GC0178 required a higher priority. CN took **Action 469** to discuss this issue within NESO, and to bring any information for the scheduled Panel priority discussion in July.



10977. LT asked the Panel to consider the prioritisation stack ahead of the next Panel meeting while considering the expected new modifications being raised in July. LT took **Action 470** for the Code Administrator to present their view of the prioritisation stack for the next panel meeting.

10978. The latest prioritisation stack can be found here.

### 11. Reports to the Authority

10979. There were no updates for the Panel.

### 12. Implementation Update

10980. There were no updates for the Panel.

### 13. Governance

10981. LT gave Elections update confirming the election of the Generator Panel member Jamie Beardsall from Drax.

# 14. Grid Code Development Forum

- 10982. CN advised the meeting on the 04 June was cancelled
- 10983. CN advised that the next meeting would take place on 02 July 2025, with the following agenda items proposed:
  - Code Administrator update (this is a new standing agenda item)
  - Power Park Module (PPM) Reactive Power Provision Below Rated MW
     Output
  - Proposed Introduction of a Meter Polarity Standard into the Grid Code
  - · Submission of Data in Real Time or by Means of CSV File
  - Guidance note for co-location sites.

# 15. Standing Groups



### Distribution Code Review Panel Update

10984. GV advised DCRP met at the beginning of June. None of the agenda items had any significant impact relating to the Grid Code. The Distribution Code Review Panel is currently consulting on changes to EREC G12 Requirements for the Application of Protective Multiple Earthing to Low Voltage Networks which is due to close on 14 July 2025, but again this change does not have an impact on the Grid Code.

### Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

10985. LT advised that the JESG meeting took place on 10 June 2025 and that the next meeting was due to take place on 08 July 2025.

### 16. Updates on other Industry Codes

10986. RR noted that the BSC Panel is expecting consequential modifications in relation to GC0117, GC0166, GC0174 and GC0179.

10987. RR advised that the BSC Annual Meeting is being held Thursday 10 July.

# 17. Challenges to Modification Progress

10988. There were no updates for the Panel.

### 18. Horizon Scan

10989. There were no updates for the Panel.

### 19. Electrical Standards

10990. There were no updates for the Panel.

# 20. Code Administrator Update

10991. LT presented the 2026 Grid Code Review Panel dates.

# 21. Any Other Business (AOB)

10992. There were no updates for the Panel.





### 22. Close

10993. The Chair thanked the Panel for their time and contribution and brought the meeting to a close.

The next Grid Code Review Panel meeting will be held on 24 July at Faraday House.

New Modification Proposals to be submitted by 09 July.

Grid Code Review Panel Papers Day is 16 July.