



# STC Panel Minutes 28 May 2025

STC Panel Minutes: Meeting Number: 234

Date: 21 May 2025 Location: Microsoft Teams / Faraday House

Start: 10.00 End: 10.57

## **Participants**

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Kat Higby	KH	NESO Panel Chair, Senior Code Governance Lead
Deborah Spencer	DS	NESO Tech Sec, Code Administrator
Alan Love	AL	Scottish Power Transmission plc. (SPT)
Lewis Morgan	LM	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Mike Lee	ML	Offshore Transmission Owner (OFTO)
Joel Matthews	JM	Offshore Transmission Owner (OFTO)
Scott Bull	SB	Authority Representative
Alice Siri	AS	Authority Representative
Harriet Eckweiler	HE	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc. (SHET)
Antony Johnson	AJ	National Energy System Operator (NESO)
Karen Stanton Hughes	KSH	Code Administrator (observer)

# **Apologies**

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Richard Woodward	RW	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Claire Newton	CN	National Energy System Operator (NESO)
Gareth Williams	GW	Scottish Power Transmission plc. (SPT)





#### **Presenters**

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Frank Kasibante	FK	National Energy System Operator (NESO)
Harriet Eckweiler	HE	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc. (SHET)
Jay Chandarana	JC	National Energy System Operator (NESO)

## 1. Introductions, Apologies for Absence

6970. The Chair welcomed Panel members to the May STC Panel meeting.

## 2. Minutes from previous meeting

- 6971. The Chair noted that STC Panel minutes from January and February Panels had been shared and requested members to highlight any suggested changes they might have, Panel members requested no changes.
- 6972. It was agreed that the minutes should be issued to the relevant website for industry information.

## 3. Review of actions log

- 6973. STC Panel members reviewed the open actions from the February STC Panel meeting.
- 6974. **Action 6893** was to remain open until the Proposer confirmed when they would be returning to Panel with their updated proposal.
- 6975. **Action 6954** ML was to request a meeting with Code Governance to discuss raising a proposal.
- 6976. **Action 6939** modification titles and link have been added the to mod tracker as requested by RW. This action can now be closed.

## 4. Authority Decisions and Updates

6973. SB advised Panel members of the following updates:

**<u>CM086</u>** Introducing Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners & Transmission Service Owners. Decision received and implemented.



**<u>CM087</u>** Introducing Connections Process to facilitate Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners. Decision received and implemented.

**CM098** Updating STC arrangements to replace the Electricity Arbitration Association with the London Court of International Arbitration. Decision received and implemented.

**CM095** Implementing Connection Reform., expected decision date 12 February 2025. Decision received and implemented date is 10 June.

6974. SB also confirm that decisions on STCP's PM0143 and PM0144 had been issued to NESO and implementation had taken place.

## **Horizon Scanner Update**

6975. The Chair highlighted up and coming proposals and the dates suggest they will be presented to STC panel, adding that this will be a new item on the agenda going forward.

## 5. Draft STC/STCP New modifications

6976. The Chair advised Panel members that there was one new draft proposal to be discussed.

#### **DMP01 Reconciliation Period Extension**

- 6977. HE elaborated on the rationale behind the proposal and the Panel members' comments that had been previously shared were reviewed.
- 6978. AJ questioned whether the proposal needed more thought as it is not straight forward as originally thought, more discussion is needed, possibly offline informal discussion.
- 6979. AL agreed and suggested further thinking would be needed as CUSC and Grid Code need to be considered also.
- 6980. HE agreed with AJ and AL's comments and wanted to understand if formal Workgroups would be needed.
- 6981. AJ suggested that informal discussion could take place and that more research was needed, along with further discussions with NESO and TO's.
- 6982. Panel members agreed that further discussions should take place to offline with NESO, TO's and CUSC parties to develop a more robust proposal to be presented at STC Panel at a further date.
- 6983. HE to contact code governance to arrange informal discussions.

## 6. New STC/STCP Modification Proposals for Panel Decision



6984. The Chair advised Panel members that one new STCP Proposal had been submitted.

## PM0147 - RMS and EMT Model Sharing Process

- 6985. The Chair advised Panel members that one new STCP Proposal had been submitted.
- 6986. FK provided a detailed background as outlined in the slides. He informed the Panel that NESO had received last-minute comments from SPT, and therefore, proposed delaying the consideration of the proposal until the end of the month, allowing sufficient time to address the concerns raised.
- 6987. ML raised concerns over the modelling and additional items as OFTOs are quite lean organisations. He noted that that whilst they did not disagree with the principles, a number of initiatives are being introduced which all take time and resource and having a targeted approach to some of these initiatives may be more appropriate.
- 6988.ML also advised there is not only the cost recovery issue that needs to be considered but it would be useful to have some form of filtering, so the requirements are targeted where required on the size and type of connection rather than a blanket requirement.
- 6989. It was agreed that ML would be invited to the CM097 Workgroups so he can share his perspective on the suggested changes.
- 6990. AL requested Clarification on why the Guidance Notes had been covered in the Grid Code rather than the STC or an STCP
- 6991. Both FK and AJ responded advising whilst Transmission Licensees were not bound by the requirements of the Grid Code, the STC did bind Transmission Licensees to certain parts of the Grid Code.
- 6992. AJ advised a similar approach had been adopted for the EMT Guidance to avoid duplication and minimise administrative arrangements. He also advised that the General Conditions in the Grid Code permitted Transmission Licensees to make a change to an Electrical Standard.
- 6993. PM0147 would be re-presented at the June Panel meeting.

## 7. Inflight Modification Updates/Potential New Modifications

There were no Inflight modification Updates presented to the Panel.





## 8. Workgroup Reports

There were no Workgroup Reports presented to the Panel.

## 9. Draft Final Modification Reports

There were no Draft Modification Reports presented to the Panel.

## 10. Code Administrator Updates

There were no Code Administrator updates presented to the Panel.

## 21. Any Other Business

#### C17 Statement Update

- 6994. JC gave an update to Panel members on the obligation of the C17 statement and advised that some details needed to be changed. After consulting with Ofgem it was agreed that no formal consultation would be necessary.
- 6995. It was agreed by Panel members that tracked changes of the C17 statement updates should be shared with STC Panel members after the meeting for visibility via email for the to consider and respond if necessary.

## **Dates of next Meeting**

The next STC Panel meeting will be held on 25 June 2025

New Modification Proposals to be submitted by 10 June 2025

STC Panel Papers Day is 17 June 2025