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Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP)

24 July 2025

Grid Code Review Panel Minutes

Date: 24/07/2025 **Location:** Microsoft Teams

Start: 10:00 **End:** 13:40

Participants

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Penny Garner	PG	Acting Independent Panel Chair
Joe Henry	JHe	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Andrew Hemus	AH	Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator
Adegboyega Akomolafe (online)	AAk	Alternate, Generator Representative
Andrew Allan	AA	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Alan Creighton	AC	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Claire Newton	CN	Panel Member, NESO Representative
David Michie	DM	Panel Member, Onshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Darsak Shah (online)	DS	Alternate, Generator Representative
Dozie Nnabuife	DN	AOB Presenter (System Access Reform), NESO
Ellie Osobina (online)	EO	Authority Observer
Sabiha Farzana	SF	GC0181 Presenter, Statkraft

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Fionnghuala Malone	FM	Observer, NESO
Fraser Scott (online)	FS	Alternate, Onshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Gurpal Singh	GS	Authority Representative
Jamie Beardsall	JB	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Jay Chandarana (online)	JC	GC0182 Presenter, NESO
John Harrower (online)	JH	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Nadir Hafeez	NH	Authority Observer
Pritesh Patel (online)	PP	GC0182 Presenter, NESO
Richard Mather (online)	RM	AOB (System Access Reform) Presenter, NESO
Robert Longden (online)	RL	Panel Member, Supplier Representative
Matthew Larreta (online)	ML	GC0169 / GC0173 Presenter, NESO

Apologies

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Graeme Vincent	GV	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative Alternate
Lizzie Timmins	LT	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Matthew White	MW	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative

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Rashmi Radhakrishnan	RR	BSC Panel Representative
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Sarah Williams	SW	Panel Technical Secretary
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1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

11008. Apologies were received from Graeme Vincent, Lizzie Timmins, Matthew White, Rashmi Radhakrishnan and Sarah Williams.

11009. No declarations of interest were received.

2. Minutes from previous meeting

11010. The meeting minutes from the Grid Code Review Panel held on 26 June 2025 were approved.

11011. Minutes from the Special Grid Code Review Panel held on 17 July 2025 to be circulated and approved at the August Panel meeting.

3. Review of actions log

11012. The Chair led a review of the Panel action log, noting that actions 456, 465, 468 were to remain open and 469 was completed and closed.

4. Chair's update

11013. The Chair gave an update on the Independent Panel Chair recruitment process, noting that the recommendation has been sent to Ofgem for approval.

5. Authority Decisions

11014. Ofgem shared that the Authority had approved the EU NCER: System Test Plan.

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- 11015. Ofgem advised the Authority will be publishing a decision on the GC0183 Urgency request on 28 July.
- 11016. Ofgem shared that GC0117: Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across Great Britain by the creation of a pan-Great Britain commonality of Power Station requirements had been sent back to Grid Code Review Panel on 18 July 2025.
- 11017. The Panel briefly discussed the GC0117 send back agreeing that the Code Administrator should seek clarification from the Proposer of their thoughts going forward and include a GC0117 item on the August Panel agenda.
- 11018. The Panel expressed concerns regarding the amount of work required to move this Modification forwards and asked for Ofgem involvement in any future Workgroups.
- 11019. Ofgem advised that as part of their ongoing energy code reform programme they have recently commissioned Elexon and RECCo to support them in the development of initial code manager performance indicators. Ofgem stated that their intention was to engage industry more widely, including through published consultations, before introducing any performance metrics.

6. New modifications

GC0181: Enhance the Effectiveness of System Incidents Reporting

- 11020. JHe gave a GC0181 critical friend overview, advising that all suggested changes were accepted by the proposer of the Modification.
- 11021. SF presented GC0181 which aims to enhance the effectiveness of system incidents reporting by reducing reporting time, increasing sampling rate, and gathering frequency measurements from multiple regions.

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- 11022. The Panel raised questions about the feasibility of the proposed changes, the impact on existing systems, and the need for a Workgroup to further explore the Modification. Concerns were also raised about the clarity of the defect and scope.
- 11023. The Panel agreed by majority GC0181 did not have a clearly defined defect and scope.
- 11024. The Panel asked the Proposer to liaise with the Code Administrator to refine the defect and scope of the Modification and return to the August Grid Code Review Panel with this update.

GC0182: Standardisation of Power Flow Metering Polarity

- 11025. JHe gave a critical friend overview on GC0182. The Proposer accepted the change suggestions from the Code Administrator.
- 11026. JC & PP presented GC0182 which aims to standardise power flow metering polarity to improve situational awareness, security, and coordination between NESO and other parties.
- 11027. The Panel discussed the Proposal's stated low impact on Generators, the Proposer agreed to change this to medium. The Panel noted the need for clear implementation guidelines, and the importance of aligning any Grid Code change with the new Electrical Standard while noting the different governance processes.
- 11028. The Panel agreed by majority that this Modification has a clearly defined defect and scope.
- 11029. The Panel highlighted the Modification would not meet Self Governance Criteria (a) "is unlikely to have a material effect on: (iii) the operation of the **National Electricity Transmission System**; and"
- 11030. The Panel agreed by majority that this Modification should follow Standard Governance (Ofgem decision) rather than the Self-Governance Criteria (Panel decision).

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- 11031. The Panel agreed that this Modification should proceed to Workgroup.
- 11032. The Panel agreed the Workgroup Terms of Reference.
- 11033. The Panel noted that there didn't appear to be any impacts on the Electricity Balancing Regulation (EBR) Article 18 terms and conditions held within the Grid Code.
- 11034. The Chair asked the Code Administrator to note the proposed timeline.

7. In flight modification updates

GC0155: Clarification of Fault Ride Through Technical Requirements

- 11035. JHe provided a Modification timeline update.
- 11036. The Panel agreed the revised timeline.

GC0164: Simplification of Operating Code No.2

- 11037. JHe provided a modification timeline update
- 11038. The Panel agreed the revised timeline.

GC0176: Introduction of Demand Control Rotation Protocol within Operating Code 6 of the Grid Code

- 11039. JHe provided a modification timeline update.
- 11040. The Panel agreed the revised timeline.

GC0183: Generator and Interconnector Availability During a Severe Space Weather Event

- 11041. The Panel approved the Terms of Reference, on the proviso of a slight rewording of Terms of Reference f).

GC0103: The introduction of harmonised Applicable Electrical Standards in GB to ensure compliance with the EU Connection Codes

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- 11042. JH gave a verbal update on GC0103 with an ask on the Panel to review the Applicable Electrical Standards before 5 August.
- 11043. Panel feedback around the possibility of having a longer Code Administrator Consultation because of the amount of documentation and the summer holiday period. Panel also suggested a compare and contrast document to be available alongside the consultation.

8. Workgroup Reports

GC0169: Material changes arising from Grid Code Modification GC0136

- 11044. ML gave a presentation on GC0169.
- 11045. The Panel agreed that the Workgroup have met their Terms of Reference.
- 11046. The Panel agreed that this Modification can proceed to Code Administrator Consultation. This consultation was extended by one week to factor in industry availability during the summer holiday period.
- 11047. The Panel noted that this Modification does impact the Electricity Balancing Regulation (EBR) Article 18 terms and conditions held within the Grid Code
- 11048. The Panel noted the ongoing timeline.

GC0173: Consistency of Technical and Compliance Requirements between GB and European Users

- 11049. ML gave a presentation on GC0173
- 11050. The Panel agreed that the Workgroup have met their Terms of Reference.
- 11051. The Panel agreed that this Modification can proceed to Code Administrator Consultation. This consultation was extended by one

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week to factor in industry availability during the summer holiday period.

11052. The Panel agreed that this Modification does impact the Electricity Balancing Regulation (EBR) Article 18 terms and conditions held within the Grid Code

11053. The Panel noted the ongoing timeline.

9. Draft Final Modification Reports

11055. None

10. Discussion on Prioritisation

11056. The Panel reviewed the prioritisation stack and agreed on the priority placement of new modifications. The Panel requested that the prioritisation stack definition be provided in the panel papers pack for reference at future Panel meetings.

11057. The latest prioritisation stack can be found [here](#).

11. Reports to the Authority

11058. There were no updates for the Panel.

12. Implementation Update

11059. There were no updates for the Panel.

13. Governance Update

11060. None

14. Grid Code Development Forum

11061. CN advised that the GCDF meeting on 02 July covered New industry protocol for space weather, Code Administrator Update, Power Park Module (PPM) Reactive Power Provision Below Rated MW Output,

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GC0166 Implementation preparation: Trial/proof of concept to collect real data and test the NESO optimiser, Standardisation of Power Flow Metering Polarity when Sending Data to NESO, Guidance Notes for Co-location of Different Technologies – Issue 3 and the Recent Electronic Dispatch Logging (EDL) / Electronic Data Transfer (EDT) disruption.

11062. CN advised that the next meeting would take place on 06 August 2025, with the agenda yet to be finalised and the possibility of cancellation due to a lack of agenda items.

15. Standing Groups

Distribution Code Review Panel Update

11063. AC advised there was no DCRP update as the DCRP had not met since the last Grid Code Review Panel.

Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

11064. JH advised that the JESG meeting took place on 08 July 2025 and that the next meeting was due to take place on 09 September 2025, due to the August meeting being cancelled.

16. Updates on other Industry Codes

11065. None.

17. Challenges to Modification Progress

11066. There were no updates for the Panel.

18. Horizon Scan

11067. There were no updates for the Panel.

19. Electrical Standards

11068. There were no updates for the Panel.

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20. Any Other Business (AOB)

Feedback on structure of Workgroup Reports

11069. AA [Andrew Allan] presented proposed changes to the structure of work group reports to ensure a balanced presentation of information. The Chair agreed to consider these changes.

System Access Reform

11070. DN and RM presented an overview of the System Access Reform Programme, highlighting the need for engagement with industry stakeholders and potential Grid Code changes.

21. Close

11071. 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 21 August 2025 on Teams.

New Modification Proposals to be submitted by 06 August 2025.

Grid Code Review Panel Papers Day is 13 August 2025.