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Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP)

21 August 2025

Grid Code Review Panel Minutes

Date: 21/08/2025 **Location:** Microsoft Teams

Start: 10:00 **End:** 12:05

Participants

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Jon Wisdom	JW	Acting Independent Panel Chair
Lizzie Timmins	LT	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Andrew Hemus	AH	Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator
Andrew Allan	AA	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Antony Johnson	AJ	Panel Member Alternate, NESO Representative
Amanda Rooney	AR	NESO Technical Codes, Observer
Cristina Ullastre	CU	Authority Observer
David Michie	DM	Panel Member, Onshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Dovile Kvedyte-Corrigan	DKC	Authority Observer
Farzana Sabiha	FS	GC0181 Presenter, Statkraft
Fraser Scott	FRS	Panel Member Alternate, Onshore Transmission Owner (Observing)

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Garth Graham	GG	GC0117 Proposer, Observer
Graeme Vincent	GV	Panel Member Alternate, Network Operator Representative
Gurpal Singh	GS	Authority Representative
Jamie Beardsall	JB	Panel Member, Generator Representative
John Harrower	JH	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Kevin Johnstone	KJ	Authority Observer
Robert Longden	RL	Panel Member, Supplier Representative
Sabiha Farzana	SF	GC0181 Presenter, Statkraft
Sigrid Bolik	SB	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Thomas Goss	TG	NESO Technical Codes, Observer

Apologies

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Alan Creighton	AC	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Claire Newton	CN	Panel Member, NESO Representative
David Monkhouse	DM	Panel Member, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Ellie Osobina	EO	Authority Representative (Observer)
Matthew White	MW	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Penny Garner	PG	Acting Independent Panel Chair
Sarah Williams	SW	Panel Technical Secretary

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1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

11072. Apologies were received from Alan Creighton, Claire Newton, David Monkhouse, Ellie Osobiina, Matthew White, Penny Garner and Sarah Williams.

11073. No declarations of interest were received.

2. Minutes from previous meeting

11074. LT advised that the minutes from the Special Grid Code Review Panel held on 17 July 2025 and the Grid Code Review Panel held on 24 July 2025 are to be circulated and approved at the September Panel meeting.

3. Review of actions log

11075. The Chair led a review of the Panel action log, noting that actions 456 and 468 were to remain open. AJ advised that Action 465 was likely to be covered during Workgroup discussions and subsequent conclusions on GC0117, however this action also remained open. Action 470 was closed as it was discussed during the prioritisation discussion later in the meeting.

4. Chair's update

11076. JW had no update for the Panel.

5. Authority Decisions and update

11077. GS noted that there have been no Authority decisions on Grid Code Modifications.

11078. GS advised that Ofgem have now published a preliminary Strategic Direction Statement (SDS) consultation decision document alongside the final preliminary SDS. Ofgem have also published their proposals to

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grant code manager licences to Elexon and RECCo for the BSC and REC codes respectively.

6. New modifications

GC0181: Enhance the Effectiveness of System Incidents Reporting

- 11079. 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.
- 11080. The Panel discussed the materiality on NESO and other users and the consumer benefit of going any further, with AJ believing there was an error on the Proposal Form regarding the impacted parties as he believed NESO was a materially affected party, not least because under the STC the NESO would have an obligation to obtain data from Transmission Licensees regarding system incidents. The Panel noted the potential requirement for an STC Modification to be raised alongside GC0181.
- 11081. The Panel agreed unanimously that this Modification has a clearly defined defect and scope.
- 11082. The Panel agreed by majority that this Modification should follow Standard Governance (Ofgem decision) rather than the Self-Governance Criteria (Panel decision).
- 11083. **Action 472** – LT to ask the STC Panel to provide STC representation on the GC0181 Workgroup.
- 11084. The Panel agreed that this Modification should proceed to Workgroup and agreed the Workgroup Terms of Reference subject to additional Terms of Reference being added as discussed.

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11085. The Panel noted that the Modification is likely to have an impact on the STC and asked whether the STC Panel could appoint a representative to become a member of the Workgroup under GR.20.3 (**Action 472**).
11086. The Panel noted that there did not appear to be any impacts on the Electricity Balancing Regulation (EBR) Article 18 terms and conditions held within the Grid Code.
11087. The Panel noted the GC0181 timeline.

7. In flight modification updates

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

11088. LT provided a Modification timeline update.
11089. The Panel agreed the revised timeline as submitted in the Panel papers.

GC0117: Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across GB by the creation of a pan-GB commonality of Power Station requirements

11090. LT provided an update on the GC0117 send back.
11091. AA noted the compliance process burden on NESO, which the Panel discussed. AJ advised that the compliance issue was outside the scope of GC0117 and would have to be picked up via a separate modification which he confirmed was included in the GC0117 Workgroup report.
11092. The Panel noted the send back request to update the GC0117 FMR and agreed that this Modification should be assessed by a Workgroup.
11093. The Panel agreed that new nominations should be sought for GC0117 alongside the previous Workgroup membership.

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11094. The Panel agreed the Workgroup Terms of Reference, in line with the terms noted in the Authority send-back letter.
11095. The Panel agreed to a second Code Administrator Consultation taking place before GC0117 being re-presented to Panel for the Recommendation Vote.
11096. **Action 473** – GS to confirm whether Ofgem can publish the GC0117 Authority minded to consultation non-confidential responses.

GC0139 Enhanced Planning-Data Exchange to Facilitate Whole System Planning

11097. LT provided a Modification timeline update.
11098. The Panel agreed the revised timeline as submitted in the Panel papers.

GC0164: Simplification of Operating Code No.2 – Timeline Update

11099. LT provided a modification timeline update.
11100. The Panel agreed the revised timeline as submitted in the Panel papers.

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

11101. LT presented the amended Terms of Reference to the Panel.
11102. The Panel agreed the amended Terms of Reference f) as submitted in the Panel papers.

8. Draft Final Modification Reports

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

11103. LT presented the GC0174 DFMR.

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11104. The Panel noted that GC0174 does impact the Electricity Balancing Regulation (EBR) Article 18 terms and conditions held within the Grid Code.
11105. The Panel unanimously recommended that GC0174 should be implemented.

9. Discussion on Prioritisation

11106. LT presented a Code Administrator view of the prioritisation stack which closed **Action 470**.
11107. The Panel reviewed the prioritisation stack and agreed on the priority placement of GC0117 and GC0181.
11108. The latest prioritisation stack can be found [here](#).

10. Reports to the Authority

11109. There were no updates for the Panel.

11. Implementation Update

11110. There were no updates for the Panel.

12. Governance Update

11111. LT reminded the Panel that for efficiency of the Governance Process, Legal text comments should be made in the Workgroup or within consultations.

13. Grid Code Development Forum

11112. AJ advised that the GCDF meeting on 06 August was cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.
11113. AJ advised that the next meeting would take place on 03 September 2025, with the following agenda items proposed so far:
- SSO Guidance Document update

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- Fax replacement update
- EDT/EDL event findings update
- Commissioning electrical standard proposal.

11114. AJ advised that the deadline for September Agenda items is 27 August 2025.

14. Standing Groups

Distribution Code Review Panel Update

11115. GV advised that the Distribution Code Review Panel took place last Wednesday with no relevant updates for the Panel.

Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

11116. LT advised that the August JESG meeting had been cancelled and that the next meeting was due to take place on 09 September 2025.

15. Updates on other Industry Codes

11117. AJ updated the Panel on the sign up for the GC0166 trials with 10 parties registering an interest.

16. Challenges to Modification Progress

11118. LT presented challenges to the Modification progress, as submitted in the Panel papers. The Panel had no further comments.

17. Horizon Scan

11119. LT presented the horizon scan, as submitted in the Panel papers. The Panel had no further comments.

18. Any Other Business (AOB)

11120. There were no updates for the Panel.

19. Close

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11121. 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 25 September 2025 on Teams.

New Modification Proposals to be submitted by 10 September 2025.

Grid Code Review Panel Papers Day is 17 September 2025.