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# Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP)

## 25 September 2025

### Grid Code Review Panel Minutes

**Date:** 25/09/2025      **Location:** Microsoft Teams

**Start:** 10:00 AM      **End:** 11:15 PM

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Claire Huxley	CH	Acting Independent Panel Chair
Lizzie Timmins	LT	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Sarah Williams	SW	Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator
Adegboyega Akomolafe	AAk	Alternate, Generator Representative
Alan Creighton	AC	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Andrew Allan	AA	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Anthony Pygram	AP	Independent Panel Chair (Observer)
Calum Watkins	CW	Alternate, Authority Representative
Claire Newton	CN	Panel Member, NESO
David Michie	DM	Panel Member, Onshore Transmission Owner
David Monkhouse	DMo	Panel Member, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Dovile Kvedyte-Corrigan	DKC	Authority Representative (Observer)
Fraser Scott	FS	Alternate, Onshore Transmission Owner (Observer)
Graeme Vincent	GV	Alternate, Network Operator Representative
John Harrower	JH	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Robert Longden	RL	Panel Member, Supplier Representative
Sigrid Bolik	SB	Panel Member, Generator Representative

### Apologies

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Attendee	Initials	Representing
Gurpal Singh	GS	Authority Representative
Jamie Beardsall	JB	Panel Member, Generator
Matthew White	MW	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Paul Drew	PD	Authority Representative
Penny Garner	PG	Acting Independent Panel Chair
Rashmi Radhakrishnan	RR	Panel Member, BSC Representative

## Presenters

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Deborah Spencer	DS	Presenter, GC0164 Code Administrator Consultation
Stuart McLarnon	SM	Presenter, GC0139 Modification Update

## 1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

11129. Apologies were received from Gurpal Singh, Jamie Beardsall, Matthew White, Paul Drew, Penny Garner and Rashmi Radhakrishnan and the Chair welcomed Anthony Pygram who will be the appointed Chair from October, as an observer.

11130. No declarations of interest were received.

## 2. Minutes from previous meeting

11131. The meeting minutes from the Grid Code Review Panel held on 17 July 2025, 24 July 2025, 21 August 2025 and 18 September 2025 were approved subject to the incorporation of minor amendments from AC, AJ and CN.

## 3. Review of actions log

11132. LT provided an update on the open actions, noting that action 471 was recommended to be closed noting an update was submitted with the STC Panel Papers and an STC Panel member has been appointed to be a Workgroup member. The Panel agreed.

CW noted that they will liaise with Ofgem colleagues regarding action 472. RL queried whether the action had been started, noting that a month had passed since it was raised. CW advised that the action was in progress.

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#### 4. Chair's update

11133. The Chair provided a reminder to the Workgroup that the Connections Reform Evidence window closed at the end of August and the NESO Connections team are working their way through the evidence and submissions and will communicate next steps shortly.

11134. The Chair advised that the Transitional Regional Energy Strategic Plan consultation was published by NESO this week, noting it will be open for 6 weeks, closing on 03 November 2025.

#### 5. Authority Decisions

11135. There were no updates for the Panel, but a Panel member raised that AJ from NESO had offered to provide an update on GC0166 trials (**Action 473**).

#### 6. Grid Code Development Forum (GCDF)

11136. CN advised Panel that GCDF was held on 03 September and covered:

- Additional Information about the EDL and EDT Disruption on 24 June 2025 – an update following further investigation on the impacts to EDT specifically.
- Alignment of Commissioning Process for Users and TOs – a proposal to introduce a new Electrical Standard to outline commissioning data requirements and timescales. Following feedback this is not currently being progressed further.
- SSO Guidance Version 2 – an update to the Sub-Synchronous Oscillations guidance was outlined.
- Fax Replacement – an update on progress to replace fax machines with a new Digital Exchange System.

11137. The meeting papers and presentation can be found via the following link: [Grid Code Development Forum \(GCDF\)](#)

11138. CN advised that the meeting planned for 01 October 2025 was cancelled due to a lack of agenda items and the meeting currently scheduled for 05 November 2025 should go ahead.

#### 7. New modifications

11139. There were no updates for the Panel.

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## 8. In flight modification updates

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

11140. LT presented the updated timeline for GC0117 to the Panel, noting that a revision is required to address concerns with the outdated CBA and interactivity with other industry developments outlined in the Authority Decision letter.
11141. The Panel did not approve the new timeline as submitted within the Panel Papers, requesting the Workgroup to meet before resubmitting a more realistic timeline at a future Panel meeting.

### **GC0139: Enhanced Planning-Data Exchange to Facilitate Whole System Planning**

11142. SM explained that the Excel version of the Data Registration Code (DRC) Schedules, created during the GC0139 modification process, offers additional features not available in the PDF format. These advanced functionalities allow the spreadsheet to present specific information that the DRC document cannot replicate. In the discussion that followed, it was clarified that these proposals relate only to DNO schedules (as per the GC0139 work), not Generator DRC schedules, for which a data portal is being developed separately.
11143. The Panel agreed the approach for the Data Registration Code, with an action on SM and LT to liaise regarding DRC Governance (**Action 474**).

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

11144. DS provided an update, informing that the GC0164 Workgroup members had thoroughly reviewed all comments from the initial Code Administrator Consultation. This review included a comprehensive examination of legal text queries, and considerations of interactions with GC0183.
11145. DS added there had since been questions and challenges from Panel members on the second Code Administrator Consultation.
11146. AA advised this is the first time they had seen the papers and apologised if it was late in the process but stated they had comments

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on terminology, definitions and graphical presentations and lack of consistency and ability to understand them, so therefore wouldn't be comfortable supporting sending this to a second Code Administrator Consultation.

AC also noted that the legal text may be confusing to stakeholders due to the different versions which considered the interaction with GC0183 and suggested waiting for a Decision on GC0183 before proceeding to the second Code Administrator Consultation.

11147. LT has recommended that Panel members with concerns join the Workgroup to address and resolve outstanding issues, ensuring that there are no misunderstandings.

11148. The Panel did not agree for the modification to proceed to a second Code Administrator Consultation and requested for the Workgroup to reconvene to discuss the additional legal text comments made.

11149. LT advised the Panel that the next steps will involve a timeline review, which will not be presented to the Panel until November to allow sufficient time to consider interactions with GC0183 and GC0174.

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

11150. LT presented the updated timeline for GC0173 and explained that this modification requires a Second Code Administrator Consultation due to the omission of Balancing Code 3 from the legal text in the first Code Administrator Consultation.

11151. The Panel approved the new timeline as submitted in the Panel papers.

### **GC0182: Standardisation of Power Flow Metering Polarity**

11152. LT presented the updated Terms of Reference for GC0182 to the Panel, noting that additions had been made following previous discussions at the July Grid Code Review Panel.

11153. The Panel approved the Terms of Reference as submitted in the Panel papers.

## **9. Workgroup Reports**

11154. There were no updates for the Panel.

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## 10. Draft Final Modification Reports

### **GC0169: Material changes arising from Grid Code Modification GC0136**

11155. LT presented the Draft Final Modification Report for GC0169 to the Panel, noting that 1 non-confidential response was received as part of the Code Administrator Consultation, where the respondent believes the GC0169 Original Proposal better facilitates the Grid Code Applicable Objectives, and the implementation approach is supported.

11157. LT noted that no legal text concerns were raised as part of the Code Administrator Consultation.

11158. The Panel held their Recommendation Vote for GC0169 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 07 October 2025.

## 11. Discussion on Prioritisation

11159. The Panel made no changes to the prioritisation stack. The latest Prioritisation Stack can be found via the following link: [Grid Code Prioritisation Stack – September 2025.xlsx](#)

## 12. Reports to Authority

11160. There were no reports to the Authority.

## 13. Implementation updates

11161. There were no implementation updates for the Panel.

## 14. Governance

11162. There were no updates for the Panel.

## 15. Standing Groups

### **Distribution Code Review Panel Update**

11163. AC advised there has been no Distribution Code Review Panel meetings since the last Grid Code Review Panel meeting.

### **Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)**

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11164. LT stated that JESG was held on 09 September 2025. The meeting materials can be found via the following link: Meeting materials and [Headline Report](#)

## 16. Updates on other Industry Codes

11165. The Panel papers and Headline Report for the following meetings can be found at the below links:

- 03 September 2025 CUSC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)
- 20 August 2025 STC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

## 17. Challenges to Modification progress

11166. There were no updates for the Panel.

## 18. Horizon Scan

11167. There were no updates for the Panel.

## 19. Electrical Standards

11168. There were no updates for the Panel.

## 20. Code Administrator Update

11169. There were no updates for the Panel.

## 21. Any Other Business (AOB)

11170. There were no updates for the Panel.

**The next Grid Code Review Panel meeting will be held on 30 October 2025 at Faraday House.**

**New Modification Proposals to be submitted by 15 October 2025.**

**Grid Code Review Panel Papers Day is 22 October 2025.**