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Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP)

27 August 2026

Grid Code Review Panel Minutes

Date: 27/08/2026 **Location:** Teams

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

Participants

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Anthony Pygram	AP	Independent Panel Chair
Joe Henry	JH	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Ryan Baldwin	RB	Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator
Andrew Allan	AA	Panel Member, Generator Representative
David Michie	DM	Panel Member, Onshore Transmission Owner
David Monkhouse	DM	Panel Member, Offshore Transmission Licensee Representative
Graeme Vincent	GV	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
John Harrower	JH	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Sigrid Bolik	SB	Panel Member, Generator Representative
Amanda Rooney	AR	NESO Representative
Antony Johnson	AJ	Alternate, NESO

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Dovile Kvedyte-Corrigan	DKC	Authority Representative
Frank Kasibante	FK	NESO Representative
Jacob Snowden	JS	BSC Representative
Richard Wilson	RW	Alternate, Network Operator Representative
Shilen Shah	SS	Authority Representative
Susan Brush	SB	Authority Representative

Apologies

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Sarah Williams	SW	Panel Secretary, Code Administrator
Alan Creighton	AC	Panel Member, Network Operator Representative
Claire Newton	CN	Panel Member, NESO Representative

Presenters

Attendee	Initials	Representing
Antony Johnson	AJ	Presenter, Grid Code Development Forum
Amanda Rooney	AR	Presenter, GC0189
Joe Henry	JH	Presenter of Inflight Modification Updates, Prioritisation Discussion, Challenges to Modification Process, Horizon Scan

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Frank Kasibante	FK	Presenter, GC0168
Graeme Vincent	GV	Distribution Code Review Panel Update

1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

1. Apologies were received from Sarah Williams, Claire Newton and Alan Creighton.
2. Joseph Henry declared that he was covering the Panel for NESO Code Governance due to a resource constraints, and not acting in his role for NESO, but in that of the independent Code Administrator.

2. Minutes from previous meeting

3. The meeting minutes from the Grid Code Review Panel held on 30 July 2026 were approved with minor factual and typographical amendments.

3. Review of actions log

4. JH provided an update on the open actions noting that actions 456 and 484 should be closed, and 485 was recommended to remain open.

Action 456: Update provided by Ofgem. The Ofgem ECR team may be invited to a future Grid Code Review Panel meeting to address specific questions or provide clarification. Action to be closed.

Action 484: Email circulated fully addressing this matter following July panel, which allows action to be closed.

Action 485: Workgroups commencing on 14th September, so the action will be addressed in September panel. Action to remain open.

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4. Chair's update

5. There was no update from the Chair.

5. Authority Decisions and Update

6. GC0176: Introduction of Demand Control Rotation Protocol within Operating Code 6 of the Grid Code Final Modification Report received 1st June 2026, with decision date on 30 July 2026.

6. Grid Code Development Forum (GCDF)

7. AJ provided an update on the 05 August 2026 GCDF meeting, which covered the following topics:

- Alternate Reactive Power Capability – AJ reported that this proposal is addressing Grid Code compliance issues around reactive capability and embedded generation affected by Network Operator restrictions. Discussions are ongoing with the stakeholder who initially raised the concerns which has avoided the need for a formal modification at this stage.
- Compliance Clarifications and Corrections Modifications – AJ explained that this was an initial discussion on a package of housekeeping and compliance clarification changes, including those that later formed part of GC0189. The GCDF was used to gather stakeholder feedback before progressing the modification.
- AOBI: Technical Requirements for Demand Connections – AJ provided an update from the Demand Expert Group, which is examining technical requirements for demand customers such as data centres and electrolyzers. The group is considering issues including fault ride-through

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and reactive power capability, with strong industry engagement helping to shape any future Grid Code changes.

8. The Panel were advised that the next GCDF meeting had been scheduled for 2 September, however it has been cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.

7. New Modifications

9. GC0189: Grid Code clarifications (ECC and ECP)

- AR presented GC0189, a modification proposing a series of clarification and correction changes arising from compliance activities and stakeholder queries. The proposer noted that the modification contained what were considered to be (in their view) minor clarifications with only one feasible solution and sought agreement on the proposed governance route.
- Panel members raised concerns that several proposed changes could be material, including amendments from “should” to “shall”, changes relating to earthing and grounding terminology, and revisions which could create inconsistencies across the wider Grid Code and associated standards. Members noted that further consideration was required to understand the potential impacts of these changes.
- Following discussion, the Panel agreed that GC0189 was not ready to progress in its current form. The proposer agreed to review the comments received and separate genuinely non-material housekeeping changes from those requiring wider industry discussion. It was agreed that the modification would return to a future Panel meeting, with material changes expected to be progressed through the appropriate governance route and workgroup process. The Panel also sought clarity on the proposed governance route, and whether any Code Administrator Consultation is permitted within the Fast Track Self Governance route. It was confirmed that it was not.

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8. Inflight Modification Updates

GC0155: Clarification of Fault Ride Through Technical Requirements

10. JH provided an update on GC0155, advising that additional Workgroup activity is required before the modification can progress to industry consultation. The extension will allow the Workgroup to finalise consultation materials, review draft legal text and undertake further development of the proposal. The Workgroup Report is now expected to return to Panel in January 2027, with the Final Modification Report planned for submission to Ofgem in April 2027.

The Panel noted the reasons for the extension and approved the revised timeline presented by the Code Administrator.

GC0181: Enhance the Effectiveness of System Incidents Reporting

11. JH informed the Panel that GC0181 requires additional Workgroup meetings to resolve several contentious issues raised during discussions and to enable further development of the proposed solution. A further Workgroup meeting will also be held following consultation to consider stakeholder feedback and determine whether any amendments are required.

The Panel noted and approved the revised timelines.

9. Electrical Standards

GC0168: Submission of Electromagnetic Transient (EMT) Models

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12. FK presented the proposed Electrical Standard associated with GC0168, explaining that it formalises existing EMT modelling guidance into a controlled Grid Code Electrical Standard. He advised that the document had been reviewed through industry engagement and Workgroup discussions and was intended to establish baseline requirements for model fidelity, documentation, maintenance and the retrospective submission of EMT models.

Panel members discussed the maturity of the proposed standard and considered feedback received during the review process. Discussions covered the ongoing evolution of EMT modelling requirements, the treatment of outstanding stakeholder comments, and the need for continued industry engagement to support future improvements. It was noted that the proposal represented a minimum viable product for the standard, and that further refinement of the document would be required over time.

Following discussion, the Panel voted on the adoption of the proposed Electrical Standard. The standard was approved by a majority vote, with seven members voting in favour and one abstention. The proposer confirmed an intention to establish further industry engagement to consider future revisions and enhancements to the standard.

10. Workgroup Reports

13. There were no Workgroup Reports presented to the Panel.

11. Draft Final Modification Reports (DFMR)

14. There were no Draft Final Modification Reports presented to the Panel.

12. Discussions on Prioritisation

15. JH presented the latest modification prioritisation review and sought the Panel's views on the assessment of modification priorities, including the

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placement of GC0184 within the existing prioritisation stack. Members also discussed the presentation of the prioritisation information and whether alternative formats could improve future reviews. An action was given to the Code Administrator to look into this.

The Panel considered feedback from SS on Ofgem's approach to Strategic Direction Statement (SDS) alignment and discussed how modifications should be assessed against SDS objectives. Members noted that an updated SDS is expected shortly and that a future review of prioritisation scores may therefore be required.

Following discussion, the Panel agreed the proposed placement of GC0184 within the prioritisation stack and noted that the wider prioritisation assessment would be revisited following publication of the updated SDS.

13. Reports to the Authority

16. There were no reports to the Authority.

14. Implementation Updates

17. There were no implementation updates for the Panel.

15. Governance

18. There were no Governance updates for the Panel.

16. Standing Items

Distribution Code Review Panel Update

19. GV provided an update from the Distribution Code Review Panel, noting that work on G5 harmonics continues to progress and is expected to move to consultation later in the year. He also advised that a modification to a Distribution Code subsidiary document had been approved to facilitate plug-in

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solar installations and became effective on the day of the meeting. AJ additionally noted ongoing links between Distribution Code and Grid Code work relating to demand connection requirements and GC0184.

Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

20. The Panel noted that the previous JESG meeting had taken place on 11 August 2026.

21. The Panel were advised that the next JESG meeting is scheduled for 08 September 2026.

17. Updates on other Industry Code

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

10 July 2026 Special CUSC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

28 July 2026 SQSS [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

29 July 2026 STC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

30 July 2026 CUSC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

13 August 2026 BSC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

18. Challenges to Modification Progress

23. JH presented the quarterly review of challenges affecting modification progress. The Panel noted that a range of factors had contributed to delays across modifications, including Workgroup quoracy issues, the need for additional legal text review, joint code discussions, development of supporting standards, and the complexity of certain modifications.

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Members discussed the value of tracking the causes of modification delays to help identify recurring themes and improve transparency. It was noted that the review provides visibility of the key factors impacting delivery and may help inform future process improvements.

19. Horizon Scan

24. JH presented the latest Horizon Scan, highlighting a number of modifications expected to return to the Panel in the coming months, including GC0188, GC0185 and further work associated with GC0184. Members also noted the potential for future modifications relating to demand connection requirements and broader strategic programmes.

During discussion, Antony Johnson provided an update on recent consultations relating to the EU Requirements for Generators 2.0 Network Code Consultation and noted potential future impacts on Grid Code development. Members also discussed ongoing industry activity relating to electricity market arrangements and recognised that these developments may influence future modification activity.

The Panel noted the updates and forthcoming modification activity identified within the Horizon Scan.

The Panel also noted the format of this update could be more user friendly, and that the Code Administrator should look at alternative ways to display this information in future meetings.

20. Code Administrator Update

25. There were no updates for the Panel.

21. Any Other Business

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26. There were no updates for the Panel.

22. Close

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

New Modification Proposals to be submitted by **9 September 2026**.

Grid Code Review Panel Papers Day is **16 September 2026**.

The next Grid Code Review Panel meeting will be held on **24 September 2026**.