



NATIONAL GRID

MINUTES

Grid Code Review Panel Meeting 12

Tuesday 27th September 2005
10.30 - 14:00
Mespil Hotel, Dublin 4

Panel Members

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Role</u>
Simon Grimes	Y	Chairman
Siobhán Dinneen	Y	CER Representative
Tom Wilson	Y	Independent Generators >10MW Representative
Fergus Keane	Y	ESB National Grid Representative
	N	Independent Electricity Suppliers Representative
Anne Trotter	Y	ESB National Grid Representative
	N	Independent Generators <10MW Representative
Noel Hatch	Y	Transmission Asset Owner Representative
Dave O'Connor	Y	Alternate Renewable Generators Representative
Noeleen Gibbons	N	Public Electricity Supplier Representative
Christy Kelleher	N	ESB National Grid Representative
Therese Lannon	Y	ESB Power Generation Representative
Pat O'Donnell	Y	Directly Connected Customers Representative
Tony Hearne	Y	Alternate Distribution System Operator Representative

Other Attendees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Role</u>
Emma Fagan	Y	GCRP Secretary
Clíona McNally	Y	CER Advisor

1. Agenda

- i. Welcome to New Members
- ii. Approval of minutes of GCRP Meeting 11
- iii. Review modification proposals
- iv. Arrangements for next meeting
- v. AOB

2. Welcome

- 2.1 S. Grimes welcomed Dave O'Connor as the alternate Renewable Generators Representative.
- 2.2 S. Grimes advised that Noeline Gibbons ESB PES Representative offered apologies.

3. Approval of minutes of GCRP Meeting 11

3.1 There were no comments on the previous meeting's minutes.

3.2 The minutes were deemed approved by the Chairman.

4. Review of Modification Proposal – MPID134

E. Fagan outlined a revised proposal following comments from the previous meeting.

T. Wilson stated that his queries had been addressed both through correspondence from ESBNG and by the revised proposal.

The panel recommended the modification proposal for approval.

5. Review of Modification Proposal - MPID133 – Clarification of Demand Customer

5.1 F. Keane gave a presentation outlining the document previously circulated – “MPID133revision4.doc”.

5.2 T. Aherne queried whether this would be applicable to distribution connected demand customers that are connected via a tail-fed 110kV line.

5.3 It was advised that this requirement is only applicable to transmission connected demand customers.

5.4 It was queried if the Distribution Code had provision for this requirement.

5.5 T. Wilson queried why the requirement did not clearly state that signals are required at the HV side of the Grid Connected Transformer and that if a customer could not comply, then a derogation would be sought.

5.6

5.6.1 C. McNally's queried whether the derogation process for the 7 demand customers that are not in compliance with this requirement could be initiated by ESBNG.

5.6.2 It was agreed that this would be the best approach as many demand customers are not familiar with the Grid Code and the derogation process.

It was agreed that ESBNG would update the modification proposal in light of the points raised, circulate to the panel members, and submit the revised proposal including any comments to the CER for approval. Once the modification is approved ESBNG will advise the 7 non-compliant demand customers of the derogation process.

6. Review of Modification Proposal – MPID142

There were no comments. The panel recommended the proposal for approval.

7. Review of Modification Proposal – MPID143

There were no comments. The panel recommended the proposal for approval.

8. Review of Modification Proposal – MPID144

There were no comments. The panel recommended the proposal for approval.

9. Review of Modification Proposal – MPID145

There were no comments. The panel recommended the proposal for approval.

10. Review of Modification Proposal – MPID146

Dave O'Connor noted that the word "the" from the main part of the clause should be removed and placed before the word 'relevant' in part (b)

The panel recommended the proposal for approval with this change.

11. Parked Modification Proposal – MPID137

This proposal regarding Forbidden Zones has been parked pending further discussions between ESBNG, T. Wilson and T. Lannon.

12. Parked Modification Proposal – MPID141

This proposal regarding Safety Co-ordination Changes has been parked as ESBNG would like to discuss it further with the DSO, TAO and ESBPG representatives.

13. Arrangements for next meeting

- 13.1** The Chairman suggested Thursday February 9th 2005 at the same venue for the next meeting. There were no objections.

14. AOB

- 14.1** C. McNally advised that the CER has plans in place regarding the move to a *Single Electricity Market* for the island of Ireland. This move shall necessitate harmonising certain aspects of the Grid Codes of North and South and perhaps eventually moving towards a single Grid Code for the whole island. A requirement to identify what elements of the Grid Code that require changing or updating needs to be carried out.
- 14.2** T. Wilson requested that ESBNG provides an update of these plans at the next GCRP meeting.
- 14.3** S. Grimes sought input from the panel regarding inviting SONI to sit on the GCRP. The Panel agreed that SONI should be asked on a reciprocal basis to sit as an observer on the Panel. SONI would however not have any voting rights.
- 14.4** E. Fagan gave an update on the Representative nominations/elections.
- 14.4.1 P. O'Donnell has been re-elected as the Demand Customer representative.
- 14.4.2 No representative has been nominated for the Independent Non-Renewable < 10MW Generators.
- 14.4.3 Two nominations were received for the Independent Electricity Suppliers Representative and both nominees are interested in assuming the role. An election shall now be held.
- 14.4.4 The elections for Independent Non-Renewable > 10MW Generators and Renewable Generators have yet to be held.

- 14.4.5 Following a query from E. Fagan, C. McNally stated that the definition of 'Renewable Generators' could be found in the Electricity Act.
- 14.4.6 E. Fagan queried the relevance of the Independent Non-Renewable < 10MW Generators Representative Role. No representative had been elected in the previous election in June 2003, and no representative had been elected in this election. The Panel agreed that merging the two groups
- Independent Non-Renewable < 10MW Generators
 - Independent Non-Renewable > 10MW Generators
- should be considered. ESBNG to prepare this GCRP Constitution modification proposal and any other relevant modifications to the Constitution for the next meeting.
- 14.4.7 D. O'Connor stated that perhaps invitations for nominations for the Renewables Representative should be limited to those connected to the Transmission System, and not to all those who hold a Generators licence for a renewable generator. D. O'Connor to discuss with Renewables Representative and consider submitting a modification proposal.

14.5 E. Fagan updated the Panel on the modification proposal regarding the power factor requirement for wind farm power stations that was brought up at the previous meeting under 'Any Other Business' by P. O'Kane, Renewables Representative. ESBNG is currently in discussion with P. O'Kane on this proposal and an updated modification proposal, if required, shall be placed on the agenda at the next meeting.

15. Action Items / Summary

- 15.1** ESBNG to update the modification proposal for MPID 133 in light of the points raised, circulate to the panel members, and submit the revised proposal including any comments to the CER for approval.
- 15.2** Following CER approval of MPID 133, ESBNG to contact the non-compliant Demand Customers advising of the details of the modification, and advise and initiate the derogation process if applicable.
- 15.3** ESBNG and T. Wilson to further discuss MPID137 – Forbidden Zones - prior to the next meeting.
- 15.4** ESBNG, DSO and ESBPG to discuss MPID 141- Safety Co-ordination - prior to the next meeting.
- 15.5** ESBNG to consider presentation on impact of all-island Single Electricity Market on the Grid Code at the next meeting.
- 15.6** ESBNG to invite SONI to sit as an Observer on the GCRP.
- 15.7** ESBNG to complete elections prior to next meeting.
- 15.8** ESBNG to consider GCRP Constitution modifications prior to next meeting.
- 15.9** D. O'Connor to discuss possible Constitution modification with Renewables Representative and consider submitting a modification proposal.
- 15.10** ESBNG and P. O'Kane to complete discussions on power factor requirement for wind farm power stations.

MINUTED BY : E. Fagan, GCRP Secretary