

Minutes of Distribution Code Review Panel Meeting – 25th September 2013

<u>Present:</u>	Derek Hynes (DH)	Chairman
	Paul Harrington (PHR)	Secretary
	Rónán Ó hÓgartaigh (ROH)	DSO Representative
	Nigel Morris (NM)	CER Representative
	Ciarán Donnelly (CD)	Embedded Generators Representative
	David Cashman (DC)	TSO Representative
	Stephen Walsh (SW)	ESB Networks

<u>Apologies:</u>	Catherine Joyce-O'Caollai	Major Customers Representative
	Paul Hickey	DSO Representative
	Ciarán O'Brien	Independent Suppliers Representative
	Sean Doolin	PES Representative
	John McAuley	ETCI Representative
	Tony Hearne	DSO Representative

1. Review of Previous Minutes

- The minutes of the last DCRP meeting (18th June 2013) were accepted by all.

2. CER Approval of Distribution Code Modifications #22, #23, #24

- Modifications #22, #23 & #24 had not been formally approved by CER at the date of this meeting.
- NM outlined CER's position:
 - o EirGrid are reviewing the Operational Certificate deadline (currently 1st December 2013).
 - o CER currently intends to approve Distribution Code Modifications #22, #23 & #24 once EirGrid has confirmed the new Operational Certificate deadline

3. EirGrid update on the Operational Certificate process December deadline

- DC presented an update on DS3 Grid Code modifications and on the Operational Certificate deadline:

DS3 Wind Farm Modifications

- o Approved by CER and in effect - February 2013;
- o EirGrid letter to all WFPS on compliance – May 2013;
- o 35 derogation applications from DS3 Mods in the derogation assessment process;
- o 15 derogation applications in the validation process – these are expected to also enter the assessment process.

Operational Certificates

- o Letters issued Nov. 2011 and policy published March 2012;
- o Process underway and current deadline is subject to review;
- o Communication to be issued in the next week to industry;
- o DSO to also be informed.

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4. Proposed Distribution Code Modifications

a) #25 – Registered Capacity

- Proposal presented to the DCRP on 18th June 2013. Revised wording required.

Conclusion:

- o Tony Hearne and Simon Tweed to re-submit modification proposal to the DCRP Secretary, for approval by the DCRP at the next meeting.

b) #26 – Higher Rate of Change of Frequency limit for fault ride-through

- SW outlined the modification proposal to the DCRP.

Conclusion:

- o Suggestions were made regarding the modification text. SW to incorporate these and re-submit the modification proposal to the DCRP Secretary, for circulation to the DCRP members before the next meeting.

c) #27 – Distribution Code Review Panel Membership and Constitution

- Modification Proposal #27 combines the following two modification suggestions: "Process for updating the Constitution and Rules of the Distribution Code Review Panel" and "Publishing updates to the Distribution Code".
- DH outlined the modification proposal to the DCRP.

Conclusion:

- o Suggestions were made regarding the modification text. DH to incorporate these and re-submit the modification proposal to the DCRP Secretary, for circulation to the DCRP members before the next meeting.

5. Update on the grouping of turbine technologies

- CD presented the on the following:
 - o The ability of specific turbine types to comply with DS3 Grid Code modifications.

6. Any other business

- None

7. Next Meeting Date: Tuesday 3rd December 2013.

Note: Item 6 on the meeting agenda was "Effective date of application of current and future Distribution Code modifications". Two meeting attendees had to leave before this item was discussed. Therefore this item was removed from the DCRP agenda and discussed post-meeting by NM, DH, CD and DC.

**Paul Harrington,
Secretary.**

4th October 2013.