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Below is my DAR from the Grid Code Review Panel meeting. Key points to note include:

- GC0118 re P28 was approved
- Ofgem will make a decision re GC0106 SOGL by the second week in Feb
- There is the possibility that 20+ RES documents will need to be reviewed at short notice by Users – including DNOs
- NGESO will propose No-deal Brexit changes soon

Other interesting snippets highlighted in yellow

Regards Alan

Attendees:		Apologies:	
Panel Members		Panel Members	
Trisha McAuley	Code Admin Chair	Colm Murphy	NGESO
Alan Creighton	DNO		
Emma Hart	NGESO Secretary		
Guy Nicholson	Generator		
Steve Cox	DNO		
Gurpal Singh	Ofgem		
Graeme Vincent	DNO (Alternate)		
Damian Jackman	Generator SSE		
Alastair Frew	Generator Drax		
Matthew Bent	NGESO Code Admin		
Jeremy Caplin	BSC Elexon		
Rob Wilson	NGESO (Alternate?)		
Greg Heaven	NGESO (Alternate?)		
Rob Longden	Supplier		
Joe Underwood	Generator		
Chris Smith	NG New Ventures (OFTO)		
Nadir Hafeez	Ofgem		
Ross McGhin	NGET TO (Onshore)		

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DNO Panel Alternates

Gordon Kelly and Jim Barber

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1 & 2 Welcomes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Induction pack – to be available on website • At Feb GCDF NGET plan to table a proposal to extend the timeline for developing a Modification Proposal before it goes to the GCRP • One GCode Panel obligation is to set strategic direction based on external industry factors. Not too clear how this might happen. • Citizens Advice currently aren't represented at GCRP – limited resources. NGESO has monthly meetings to update CA on key issues. • Re development of the legal text, the WG needs to produce the proposal which includes the associated legal text. NGESO 'own the GCode' so they ultimately make sure the legal text is correct and implements the solution that is developed by the WG. NGESO to confirm what the GCode actually requires the Mod Proposer to draft in terms of legal text.
3 Minutes of last meeting		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes agreed
4 Action log		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 178 Code Administrator to discuss with the SQSS Panel ways of making the process more transparent to market participants. CB posed the question and suggested email distribution, approved but not yet implemented mods made clear, transparency of the amendment process. The main issues related to SQSS Mods Approved by Ofgem but not implemented as updating the SQSS requires a licence change. • 185 Code Administration to feed into the Customer Journey work regarding making meeting more accessible to industry participants e.g. locations. WG's can be held where convenient for members. Alternative locations discussed included London and Glasgow, although Panel meetings likely to remain at Warwick due to be scheduled back to back with CUSC Panel meetings., • 191 Code Administrator to present to the Panel a timeline for when the Housekeeping modifications will be raised to deal with the identified Grid Code defects. This would be after the Legal Separation in order not to add further confusion, ie after April 2019. The list of Housekeeping Mods is in the Action Log. • 193 Due to the lack of a review process in relation to the RES documents, the RES process is to be raised with CB to see if it can be included in the Customer Journey work she is leading on. Customer Journey is looking at the end to end customer journey associated with a modification proposal. CB to present an update in Feb.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 195 TM to discuss quoracy and how the Code Administrator will to facilitate non-quorate Workgroup meeting with John Twomey and Teresa Thompson. TM held discussions concluded the discussions can still proceed as informal meetings. CA looking to apply the rules pragmatically if a meeting is not quorate for unavoidable reasons. 5 members definitely needed for a WG vote. 198 Code Administrator to review the website to ensure all the final agreed minutes are published on the page for the relevant meeting e.g. October final minutes published on the October GCRP meeting date rather than the November meeting date where they are agreed. Complete. 199 CB to provide an update to the Panel on the Customer Journey work every other month starting at the February 2019 Panel. Ongoing 200 RV to circulate the weblink to the Emergency and Planning documents. Complete 201 Ofgem to clarify their role in terms of the Emergency Restoration and Planning process. This related to the governance of the System Defence Plan and System restoration Plan and whether they needed to be approved by Ofgem. Ongoing. 202 Code Administrator to check the calendar on the website to ensure it up to date. Complete 203 Code Administrator review the rules about cross code joint working groups including the process and the procedure for decisions and how this is communicated. Are CMP291 and GC0117 merged as a Joint WG or just working together? There is nothing to codify what happens in these scenarios. Joint GCDP/DCRP WGs seemed to work well for the EU Codes. 204 GS to speak to BEIS and express the Panel's concern about the potential revocation of the EU Connection Codes without further explanation and rationale in relation to the impact of this decision. This relates to the published SI's to cater for a no deal Brexit. On agenda.
5 Chairman's Update		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None
6 Authority Modifications		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None
7 New Modifications		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None
8 Inflight Modifications		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GC0106 is currently being reviewed by Ofgem. Decision second week in Feb
8 GC0107/0113		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workgroup has struggled to meet quoracy requirements Next meeting 6 February Unlikely to meet the Feb 2019 deadline
8 GC0103 Harmonisation of standards		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WG report due in April, but likely to be deferred further The proposers preferred solution was for the Scottish TOs to adopt the E&W (NGET) RES and highlight any

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		<p>justifiable variations. But the proposer and possibly the WG has had a change of mind and prefers the SP RES as the starting point as they refer to the IEC standards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This change of direction causes a problem for NGET(TO) as they need to review all the RES documents (20+) and decide if they could adopt the SP RES. However the DNOs and other Users are also affected by the NGET RES and this could have implications for DNOs. Potentially there could be a raft of RES documents being issued for approval in a 20 day period. • The benefits of moving to a single standard are unclear and remain unquantified by the Proposer – as the number of parties reviewing the standards increases, the costs will increase. • There may need to be a GCode change as at the moment RES documents aren't formally covered by the GCode. • There are some SO documents in the RES but these aren't affected by the Proposer
8 GC0096 Storage		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Started summer 2016 based on the number of storage applications that required specific technical provisions. These technical requirements were specified in the individual BCAs. • WG met yesterday to discuss the WG Consultation responses – including from NPg and Drax. The suggestions seemed to be well received by the WG. • Report to WG due March GCRP
8 GC0109 The open, transparent, non-discriminatory and timely publication of the various GB Electricity Warnings or Notices		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WG report due February – likely to be late as quoracy has been a problem • NGET have proposed two IT based solutions that are being considered • Next meeting 6 Feb when a timeline will be developed.
8 GC0105 Incident Reporting		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft WG report developed • Next meeting, 1 Feb WebEx.
8 GC0111 FFCI		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WG report due February • Comments on the WG draft aren't converging and each discussion triggers further debate. WG needs to find a way to close the discussion down in an acceptable way to all. The WG is looking to clarify something that's becoming quite complicated. There is time concern as the clarity is ideally required in advance of the compliance date. • Next meeting 7 Feb
8 GC0114 SOGL		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently out for CA consultation

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Prequalification		
8 GC0117 Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across GB by the creation of a pan-GB commonality of PGM requirements		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First WG meeting held • Next steps: Finalising the Impact assessment with the inclusion of the Gap Analysis to be agreed by the workgroup before submission to the GCRP • AMC comments provided back in December. • Webex set up for next week • This deliverable isn't a WG report – but an impact assessment
9 Prioritisation Stack		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most of the GCode WGs are being progressed at their natural pace, so no change proposed. • NGESOs intention is to balance resources across GCode and CUSC – there are lots of CUSC Mods compared to GCode Mods.
10 WG reports		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
11 GC0118 EREC P28		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CA consultation closed before Christmas • NPg, NGESO and Drax (SP) responded • AMC comments on the CA consultation identified a few editorials. • General agreement that these are just editorial and will be corrected before the RTA is issued. • AF made the point that the clarification which makes it clear to parties can re-energise after system faults which are out with their control without having restrictions. Suggestion that this could be included in P28 • Agreed that the Original Proposal is best • RTA to be submitted and aligned with the resubmission of the DCode changes
12 Report to the Authority GC0106 SOGL		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above
13 Electrical Standards		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two RES documents had been previously circulated and are now adopted as there were no objections received.
14 Governance		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GN sought clarity on the process where there is a divergence of views expressed in a WG report. Feeling is that there should be some transparency as to why there are divergent views. Agreed that in such cases divergent views and their reasons should be clear in the summary.
15 GCDF		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCDF 6 Feb • GC0107/113 6 Feb • GC0109 6 Feb • GC0111 7 Feb

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16 Standing Updates		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCRP Headline report to be provided • JESG Next meeting 5 Feb, BEIS update re Brexit
17 Brexit Sophie Val Caloen		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing for a No Deal Brexit • SIs released in Dec 2018 to transfer EU legislation to UK law. Minimum changes only are proposed • Ofgem have published licence changes for consultation – closes on 15 Feb • NGESO working with other CA's , Ofgem & BEIS • EU Connection Codes have all been revoked - on the basis they are already implemented in GB Codes – so don't need a link to UK law. Although BEIS reserve the right to review this. NGET seeking further clarity. • SOGL and E&R Codes have been retained • TERRE have also been revoked - but the intention is to retain collaboration. Further Clarity required • GCode changes expected in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Preface ○ Mod Process ○ Governance Rules ○ Planning Code and Appendix G ○ Operating Code ○ Schedule 6 ○ Glossary (inc data transparency publication) • Not proposed to change definitions of EU Code User etc as the definitions themselves are still correct (based on min change) • On-going Code Modes (GC0106 & GC0114) may be affected as well • NGET's initial proposal was for the Mod Proposal to be presented in Feb / March under self-governance, but it was agreed that standard (Ofgem approval) would be better as they would be better placed to approve / disregard depending on the status of the Brexit Negotiations. Also agreed that the changes should be the min possible, and that they should be made ASAP following the guidance from BEIS / Ofgem to 'be ready'
18 AOB		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GC0068 & P297(Dynamic data sets) were approved several years ago but not fully implemented as the EBL IT system needed to implement them wasn't fully implemented • Limited implementation • P373 has been written to revoke some of the changes introduced by P297. Its currently with Ofgem • Recent CBA confirmed the benefits for dynamic SEL/SIL but not the other data items

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposal is for NGESO to changes the GCode to implement dynamic SEL/SIL only. Any comments by email
18 AOB		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members to send apologies if they can't attend meetings, to manage the quoracy risk.
19 Meeting dates		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 28 February 2019 28 March 2019 25 April 2019 30 May 2019 27 June 2019 30 July 2019 29 August 2019 26 September 2019 24 October 2019 28 November 2019 19 December 2019