

Distribution Code Review Panel**Meeting 66 – 26 October 2017****Panel Membership****Paper by Code Administrator**

As discussed at the last meeting of the Panel in September three vacancies have opened up on the Panel. Filling these positions has been very difficult. Subsequently following that last meeting I have now received requests from two interested stakeholders to become a member of the Panel.

Details of the two stakeholders can be found in appendix 1.

Panel Recommendation

The Panel is asked to consider and approve the two requests

Appendix 1

1. Paul Graham – Grid Consultant, UK Power Reserve Limited

Over 30 years experience in the UK ESI. Worked for Area boards, Energy Supply Companies and DNOs in a variety of progressive commercial and management roles. Current role in a fast growth embedded generator focused on Grid Connections and associated technical aspects.

Industry Relationships

Participates in a number of National Grid working groups relating to EU Code harmonisation

Member of UKPN DG scrutiny Panel

Member of ENWL DG expert panel

Education

HND - Electrical Engineering, Manchester Polytechnic

BA majored in Soft Systems Analysis and IS Technology - Open University

DipBA – Warwick Business School

2. Ben Vinyard: Senior Technical Support, Segen

I'm very interested in joining the panel. I've paid attention to relevant guidance and regulation

to the renewables industry for some time. Being a part of it is an exciting prospect for me.

My skills come from a few different backgrounds. I have a background in mechanical engineering and electrical engineering. What started off as a welding and fabrication career ended in a career in the automotive and military industries building robotics.

Late 2009 I left this behind to move into the renewables industry, joining Segen as part of its technical support in the summer of 2010. By 2011, I'd become Segens Technical manager and since then I've been guiding a significantly sized customer base to do things the right way. In 2013, I joined the R&D team working on an immersion controller. In 2015 I was sent to China to work with Ginlongs R&D team to create a battery hybrid PV inverter. This product finished development 4 weeks ago, with the final testing completed in my lab in the UK. Finally I joined the IET working group responsible for the new battery storage systems guide. I'm credited as one of the contributors in the document. My 8 years of renewable industry experience may help with the following.

- A "real world" knowledge of SSEG installation companies.
- SSEG products on the market and the manufacturers that make them
- How most renewables products work and what is achievable
- Accurate understanding of industry documents/guides
- High level of technical knowledge concerning battery storage systems.
- Understanding of the storage market and who's starting to get involved.
- Sound understanding of electrical energy.

It would be my pleasure to work with DCRP and you can expect a high level of commitment to the work required.

