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The following items do not form part of the approved Distribution Code and are for information only:

- Guidance Notes 1 to 3
- The Introduction to the Distribution Code, ie DIN1 to DIN 7

GUIDANCE NOTE 1

Withdrawn on 27 February 2023 as the guidance is now incorporated into Engineering Recommendation P2.

GUIDANCE NOTE 2

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Second Issue 29 March 2012

Third Issue December 2012

Fourth Issue September 2013

Fifth Issue May 2018

Sixth Issue March 2019

Seventh Issue September 2019

ENGINEERING RECOMMENDATIONS G83 AND G59

This guidance note was originally issued on 03 March 2011 and its main provision was to allow the use small scale generation of capacity greater than 16A per phase, provided it had been type tested to the requirements of G83/1-1 but with a modified over frequency protection setting.

The guidance note only applies to small scale generation first connected before 27 April 2019. From 27 April 2019 it will be necessary for all small scale generation connected on or after that date to comply with the requirements of EREC G98 or EREC G99 as appropriate.

Previous updates to this note changed the applicable dates to allow a period of grace following the introduction of revised versions of G59 and G83 in which manufacturers can adapt their equipment to the changed requirements of these documents.

For G83/2 and G59/3 the Distribution Code Review Panel wishes to see the following continuing interpretation:

- For all small scale embedded **Power Generating Modules** of up to and including 16A per phase (provided that the aggregate capacity of installed generation is less than or equal to 16A per phase), until 1 March 2014 it is permissible to connect to the general requirements of previous versions of G83 provided this is through an inverter or controller with a protection/control system that has either been fully type tested in accordance with G83/1-1, G83/2 or in accordance with G59/2. After 1 March 2014 it will only be allowable to connect small scale embedded generation of up to and including 16A per phase that complies with G83/2 (or with G59/3-1 for small scale embedded **Power Generating Modules** non-compliant with G83/2). From 1 July 2018 it will only be allowable to connect small scale embedded generation of up to and including 16A per phase that complies with G83/2-1 (or any subsequent amendment of G83), or with G59/3-4 (or subsequent version thereof) for small scale embedded generation sets non-compliant with G83/2-1. Note that from 27 April 2019 it will only be possible to connect in accordance with EREC G98 (or EREC G99 for small scale embedded **Power Generating Modules** not compliant with EREC G98).
- Connection of small-scale embedded generation of above 16A per phase (including the connection of small-scale embedded generation of less than 16A per phase where the aggregate capacity of installed generation is greater than 16A per phase) made before 1 December 2014 can be in accordance with either G59/2-1 or G59/3-2. Such connections made after 1 December 2014 must be made in accordance with G59/3-2 (or subsequent

version thereof) as appropriate to the commissioning date. Note that from 27 April 2019 it will only be possible to connect in accordance with EREC G99.

GUIDANCE NOTE 3

First issued 1 December 2012
Second Issue 17 May 2018

ENGINEERING RECOMMENDATIONS G83

The Panel is aware that small scale generation using the Stirling engine as a prime mover has been designed using resonance to operate within $\pm 1\%$ of the nominal frequency of 50Hz. Accordingly it is not technically possible for generation using this technology currently to remain connected down to 47.0 Hz as required by G83/2.

Recognising the limitations of the current technology, and noting that currently the adoption of this technology is niche and far from mass market, the Panel believes that those G83/2 tests relating to behaviour at frequencies outside of the $\pm 1\%$ range should be waived or modified, thus allowing this technology to continue its niche use.

The Panel expects that Stirling engine designs will comply with EREC G83, or to seek a specific derogation. Similarly if the growth of this technology showed a risk of being material, then again full compliance with G83 would be required. The Panel believes that a sensible threshold of materiality, considering the technical and commercial effects of the technology, to be 50MW.

This DCRP Guidance Note has now been extended and it is now expected that the “Stirling Engine” as an emerging technology must comply from 27 April 2019 with the requirements laid down in Articles 66-70 of Retained EU Law (Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/631) (Network Code on the Requirements for Connection of Generators). See EREC G98 and EREC G99 for details.

DISTRIBUTION GLOSSARY AND DEFINITIONS (DGD)

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DGD 1. EXPRESSIONS

In this **Distribution Code** the following words and expressions shall, unless the subject matter or context otherwise requires or is inconsistent therewith, bear the listed meanings:-

Act	The Electricity Act 1989.
Active Power	The product of voltage and the in-phase component of alternating current measured in units of watts, normally measured in kilowatts (kW) or megawatts (MW).
Anchor	Associated with the ability of a Restoration Contractor's Power Generating Module to start up from Shutdown and to energise a part of the Total System upon instruction from the DNO or from the ISOP or a relevant Transmission Licensee within a defined time period, without an external electrical power supply from the DNO's Distribution System .
Anchor Power Generating Module Test	A test carried out on an Anchor Power Generating Module at an Anchor Power Station while that Power Station remains energised from an external electrical power supply from the DNO's Distribution System .
Anchor Power Station Test	A test carried out by an Anchor Generator on an Anchor Power Generating Module while that Anchor Power Station is disconnected from all external electrical power supplies from the DNO's Distribution System .
Annex 1 Standard	A electricity industry national standard that implements Distribution Code requirements and which is listed in Annex 1 of the Distribution Code , and forms part of the Distribution Code .
Annex 2 Standard	A electricity industry national standard that has a material effect on Users but does not implement any Distribution Code requirements and does not form part of the Distribution Code technical requirements.
Annual Average Cold Spell (ACS) Conditions	A particular combination of weather elements that give rise to a level of Peak Demand within a financial year which has a 50% chance of being exceeded as a result of weather variation alone.
Apparatus	All Equipment in which electrical conductors are used, supported or of which they may form a part. It includes Users' equipment which imposes Demand on the DNO's Distribution System .
Assimilated Law	Has the same meaning as that given by section 6(7) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.
Authorised Electricity Operator or AEO	Any person (other than the DNO in its capacity as an operator of a Distribution System) who is authorised to generate, participate in the transmission of, distribute or supply electricity.

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Authority	The Gas and Electricity Markets Authority established under Section 1 of the Utilities Act 2000.
Average Conditions	That combination of weather elements within a period of time which is the average of the observed values of these weather elements during equivalent periods over many years (Sometimes referred to as normal weather).
Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC)	The code of that title as from time to time amended.
Balancing Mechanism	Has the meaning set out in the Transmission Licence .
BM Unit	Has the meaning set out in the BSC , except that for the purposes of the Distribution Code the reference to “Party” in the BSC shall be a reference to a User .
BM Participant	A person who is responsible for and controls one or more BM Units or where a CUSC Bilateral Agreement specifies that a User is required to be treated as a BM Participant for the purpose of the Grid Code . For the avoidance of doubt, it does not imply that they must be active in the Balancing Mechanism .
Block Loading Capability	The incremental Active Power steps, from no load to Registered Capacity , which a relevant Restoration Contractors’ Plant can instantaneously supply without causing it to trip or go outside the Frequency range of 47.5 – 52Hz, assuming the initial Frequency is 50.0Hz (or another Frequency range as otherwise agreed). The time between each incremental step shall also be defined by the relevant Restoration Contractor .
Business Day	Any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday, or a day that is a bank holiday within the meaning of the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971.
CENELEC	European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardisation.
Citizens Advice (CA)	National Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux
Citizens Advice Scotland (CAS)	Scottish Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux
Civil Emergency Direction	Directions given by the Secretary of State to AEOs for the purpose of mitigating the effects of any natural disaster or other emergency which, in the opinion of the Secretary of State , is or may be likely to disrupt electricity supplies.
Committed Project Planning Data	Data relating to a User Development once the offer for a Connection Agreement is accepted.
Connection Agreement	An agreement between the DNO and the User or any Customer setting out the terms relating to a connection with the DNO’s Distribution System (excluding any CUSC Bilateral Agreement).

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Connection Point	An Entry Point or an Exit Point of the Distribution System as the case may be.
Control Centre	A location used for the purpose of control and operation of all, or of part of a Distribution System , National Electricity Transmission System or the System of a User .
Control Person	A person who has been nominated by an appropriate officer of the DNO , Transmission Licensee or a User to be responsible for controlling and co-ordinating safety activities necessary to achieve Safety From The System .
Control Phase	The period 0-24 hours inclusive ahead of real time operation. The Control Phase follows on from the Programming Phase and covers the period down to real time.
CUSC	Has the meaning set out in the ESO Licence .
CUSC Bilateral Agreement	An agreement pursuant to the CUSC Framework Agreement made between the ISOP and a User of the National Electricity Transmission System .
CUSC Disputes Resolution Procedure	The procedure described in CUSC relating to disputes resolution.
CUSC Framework Agreement	Has the meaning set out in the Transmission Licence .
Customer	Any person supplied or entitled to be supplied with electricity at any premises within Great Britain but shall not include any Authorised Electricity Operator in its capacity as such.
Customer With Own Generation or CWOOG	A Customer with one or more Power Generating Modules connected to the Customer's System , providing all or part of the Customer's electricity requirements, and which may use the DNO's Distribution System for the transport of any surplus of electricity being exported.
DC Converter	Any Apparatus used to convert alternating current electricity to direct current electricity, or vice versa. A DC Converter is a standalone operative configuration at a single site comprising one or more converter bridges, together with one or more converter transformers, converter control equipment, essential protective and switching devices and auxiliaries, if any, used for conversion. In a bipolar arrangement, a DC Converter represents the bipolar configuration.

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DNO's Distribution System	The System consisting (wholly or mainly) of electric lines owned or operated by the DNO and used for the distribution of electricity between the Grid Supply Points or Power Generating Modules or other Entry Points to the points of delivery to Customers or Authorised Electricity Operators , or any Transmission Licensee within Great Britain and Offshore in its capacity as operator of the licensee's Transmission System or the National Electricity Transmission System and includes any Remote Transmission Assets (owned by a Transmission Licensee within Great Britain), operated by the DNO and any electrical plant and meters and metering equipment owned or operated by the DNO in connection with the distribution of electricity, but shall not include any part of the National Electricity Transmission System .
Decimal Week	The week numbering system where week 1 commences in the first week of January on a date as advised by the DNO .
De-energise	The deliberate movement of any switch or the removal of any fuse or the taking of any other step whereby no electrical current can flow between the DNO's Distribution System and the User's Equipment at the Connection Point (and "De-energisation" shall be construed accordingly.)
Demand	The demand of MW or MVAR of electricity (ie both Active Power and Reactive Power respectively) unless otherwise stated.
Demand Control	Any or all of the following methods of achieving a Demand reduction: (a) Customer voltage reduction initiated by the DNO (other than following an instruction from the ISOP); (b) Customer Demand reduction by disconnection initiated by the DNO (other than following an instruction from the ISOP); (c) Demand reduction instructed by the ISOP ; (d) automatic low frequency Demand disconnection; (e) emergency manual Demand disconnection.
Demand Control Notification Level	The level above which the DNO has to notify the ISOP of its proposed or achieved use of Demand Control which is 12 MW in England and Wales and 5 MW in Scotland.
Demand Facility	An installation under the control of a Customer where electrical energy is consumed and is connected at one or more Connection Points to the DNO's Distribution System .

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Demand Services Provider	<p>A party who contracts with the DNO to provide a demand side service. The party might be a Customer contracting bilaterally with the DNO for the provision of services, or may be a third party providing an aggregated service from many individual Customers. In the latter case there will be a specific contract for the provision of the services to the DNO and will include compliance by that third party with the requirements of DPC9 in relation to each Demand Unit included in the aggregated service.</p>
Demand Unit	<p>An appliance or a device whose Active Power Demand or Reactive Power production or consumption is being actively controlled by the Customer in whose Demand Facility it is installed and which has been commissioned on or after 18 August 2019 in pursuance of a contract to this end with the DNO.</p> <p>Such an appliance or device commissioned before this date, but which has been materially altered will also be included in this definition.</p> <p>Where there is more than one Demand Unit in a Demand Facility, these Demand Units shall together be considered as one Demand Unit if they cannot be operated independently from each other.</p> <p>Demand Units of Customers where the Customer has concluded a final and binding contract for the purchase of a Demand Unit before 07 September 2018 are not included the scope of DPC9. The Customer must have notified the DNO of the conclusion of this final and binding contract by 07 March 2019.</p>
Detailed Planning Data (DPD)	<p>Detailed additional data which the DNO requires under the Distribution Planning and Connection Code in support of Standard Planning Data.</p>
Distribution Business	<p>The authorised business of the DNO or any affiliate or related undertaking of the DNO (whether the business is undertaken by the DNO or another licence holder), comprising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the distribution of electricity through the DNO's Distribution System, including any business in providing connections to such System; and(b) the provision of Distributor Metering and Data Services as defined in the Distribution Licence.
Distribution Code	<p>A code required to be prepared by a DNO pursuant to condition 9 (Distribution Code) of a Distribution Licence and approved by the Authority as revised from time to time with the approval of, or by the direction of, the Authority.</p>
Distribution Code Compliance Process	<p>The process set out in DGC12.5.</p>
Distribution Code Review Panel or Panel	<p>The standing body established under the Distribution General Conditions.</p>

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Distribution Data Registration Code	That portion of the Distribution Code which is identified as the Distribution Data Registration Code .
Distribution General Conditions or DGC	That portion of the Distribution Code which is identified as the Distribution General Conditions .
Distribution Glossary and Definitions	That portion of the Distribution Code which is identified as the Distribution Glossary and Definitions .
Distribution Introduction (DIN)	That portion of the Distribution Code which is identified as the Distribution Introduction .
Distribution Licence	A distribution licence granted under Section 6(1)(c) of the Act .
Distribution Network Operator (DNO)	The person or legal entity named a Distribution Licence and any permitted legal assigns or successors in title of the named party.
Distribution Operating Code (DOC)	That portion of the Distribution Code which is identified as the Distribution Operating Code .
Distribution Planning and Connection Code (DPC)	That portion of the Distribution Code which is identified as the Distribution Planning and Connection Code .
Distribution Restoration Contract	<p>An agreement between a Restoration Contractor, the ISOP and the DNO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) under which the Restoration Contractor provides Anchor Power Generating Module capability to energise a Distribution Restoration Zone, or(b) in a Top Up Restoration Contract to contribute to the operation of a Distribution Restoration Zone.
Distribution Restoration Zone	<p>Part of a DNO's Distribution System, which is arranged to be energised by an Anchor Power Generating Module when that part of the DNO's Distribution System is not connected to the National Electricity Transmission System, for example following a Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown. The Distribution Restoration Zone shall comprise an Anchor Power Generating Module and may also include the Equipment of one or more other Restoration Contractors.</p> <p>A Distribution Restoration Zone primarily comprises part of the DNO's Distribution System, but may include relevant parts of the National Electricity Transmission System as provided for in the Distribution Restoration Zone Plan.</p>
Distribution Restoration Zone Control System	A mains independent automatic control and supervisory system which assesses the Equipment status and operational conditions of a part of a DNO's Distribution System for the purposes of instructing an Anchor Generator's Power Generating Modules and other Restoration Contractors' Plant and operating items of the DNO's Apparatus for the purposes of establishing and running a Distribution Restoration Zone .

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Distribution Restoration Zone Plan (DRZP)	<p>A plan produced under DOC9.4.6 detailing the agreed method and procedure by which the DNO will instruct an Anchor Generator to energise part of the DNO's Distribution System, which together with other Restoration Contractors, will be able to meet appropriately sized blocks of local Demand so as to form a Power Island.</p> <p>A Distribution Restoration Zone Plan falls outside the provisions of a Local Joint Restoration Plan.</p>
Distribution System	The electrical network operated by an Other Authorised Distributor .
Distribution Use of System Agreement	The standard form of agreement of that name, as amended from time to time.
Earthing Device	A means of providing a connection between an Isolated conductor and earth.
Effective Date	The effective date specified in the relevant modification to the Distribution Code , which may be after the implementation date of the modification to allow time for Users to make any arrangements that may be necessary in order to comply with that modification.
Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations (ESQCR)	The statutory instrument entitled The Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations 2002 as amended from time to time and including any further statutory instruments issued under the Act in relation to the distribution of electricity.
ESO Licence	A licence granted or treated as granted to the Electricity System Operator under section 6(1)(da) of the Act .
Embedded	Having a direct electrical connection to a Distribution System .
Embedded Generator	<p>A Generator including a Customer With Own Generation whose Power Generating Modules are directly connected to the DNO's Distribution System or to an Other Authorised Distributor connected to the DNO's Distribution System.</p> <p>The definition of Embedded Generator also includes the OTSO in relation to any Embedded Transmission System</p>
Embedded Transmission Licensee	Offshore Transmission Licensee for an Embedded Transmission System .
Embedded Transmission System	An Offshore Transmission System directly connected to the DNO's Distribution System or to an Other Authorised Distributor connected to the DNO's Distribution System .
Entry Point	The point at which an Embedded Generator or other Users connect to the DNO's Distribution System where power flows into the DNO's Distribution System under normal circumstances.
Equipment	Plant and/or Apparatus .

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Electricity Supply Industry (ESI)	Electricity Supply Industry.
Event	An unscheduled or unplanned (although it may be anticipated) occurrence on or relating to a System including, without limiting that general description, faults, incidents and breakdowns and adverse weather conditions being experienced. It includes an occurrence where the compliance of Customer's Equipment with this Distribution Code or where relevant the Grid Code is or might be compromised.
Existing Offshore Generators	A Generator with a Power Station located in offshore waters that has an agreement for connection to the DNO's Distribution System via lines of 132kV or above that are wholly or partly in offshore waters.
Exit Point	The point of supply from the DNO's Distribution System to a User where power flows out from the DNO's Distribution System under normal circumstances.
External Interconnection	A connection to a party outside the Total System .
Fault Level	Prospective current that would flow into a short circuit at a stated point in the System and which may be expressed in kA or, if referred to a particular voltage, in MVA.
Feasibility Project Planning Data	Data relating to a proposed User Development until such time that the User applies for a Connection Agreement .
Frequency	The number of alternating current cycles per second (expressed in Hertz) at which a System is running.
Fuel Security Code	The document of that title designated as such by the Secretary of State , as from time to time amended.
G59 3/7 Modification	The modification to the Distribution Code to implement Engineering Recommendation G59 Issue 3 Amendment 7, as approved by the Authority on 5 August 2019.
GSP Licence	A licence granted or treated as granted to the Gas System Planner under section 7AA(1) of the Gas Act 1986.

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Generator	<p>A person who generates electricity under licence or exemption under the Act.</p> <p>A person who has connected a Power Generating Module(s) in accordance with Item 8 Engineering Recommendation G83/2 (“Recommendations For The Connection of Type Tested Small-Scale Embedded Generators (Up To 16 A Per Phase) in Parallel With Public Low-Voltage Distribution Networks”) or with Item 9 Engineering Recommendation G98 (Requirements for the connection of type-tested micro generators (up to and including 16 A per phase) in parallel with public low voltage distribution networks on or after 27 April 2019) and where this is (are) their only Power Generating Module(s), is not classed as a Generator for the purpose of this Distribution Code.</p>
Great Britain or GB	“The landmass of England & Wales and Scotland, including internal waters”.
Grid Code	The code which the ISOP is required to prepare under the ESO Licence and have approved by the Authority as from time to time revised with the approval of, or by the direction of, the Authority .
Grid Supply Point	Any point at which electricity is delivered from the National Electricity Transmission System to the DNO’s Distribution System .
High Voltage (HV)	A voltage exceeding 1000 Volts.
High Voltage Customer	A Customer connected to a part of the Distribution System which is operating at HV .
Implementing Control Person	Pursuant to DOC8, the person implementing Safety Precautions at an Operational Boundary.
Individual DNO Standard	A standard adopted by an individual DNO and which is published as such by an individual DNO and that has a material effect on Users .
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission.
Independent Distribution Network Operator	A DNO that does not have a Distribution Services Obligation Area in its Distribution Licence and is not an ex Public Electricity Supplier.
Industry Codes Technical Group (ITCG)	A standing body comprised of representatives of all the DNOs to carry out the functions referred to in its own Constitution and Rules.
Information Request Notice	A notice that will be issued by the ISOP to a relevant party setting out the ISOP’s reasonable requirements for relevant information in accordance with section 172 of the Energy Act 2023. This will be prepared in accordance with the ISOP’s published Information Request Statement .

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Information Request Statement	A statement prepared and published by the ISOP , in accordance with section 172 of the Energy Act 2023 and condition D2.5 of the ESO Licence , setting out the process that the ISOP will follow when requesting information from relevant parties by the issue of an Information Request Notice .
IP Completion Day	31 December 2020 as defined in Section 39 of the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020.
Isolated	Disconnected from associated Equipment by an Isolating Device(s) in the isolating position or by adequate physical separation or sufficient gap.
Isolating Device	A device for rendering Equipment Isolated .
ISOP	A person designated by the Secretary of State under section 162 of the Energy Act 2023 as the holder of the ESO Licence and the GSP Licence . For the time being that person is NESO .
Joint System Incident	Is an Event occurring on the System or installation, which, in the opinion of the DNO , has or may have a serious and/or widespread effect on the System or installation of another.
Large Power Station	As defined in the Grid Code .
Legally Binding Decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency	Any relevant legally binding decision or decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency, but a binding decision does not include decision that is not, or so much of a decision as is not, Assimilated Law .
Load Managed Area	Has the meaning given to that term in the Distribution Use of System Agreement .
Loaded	Supplying Active Power to the System . Like terms (ie De-Loaded) shall be construed accordingly.
Local Joint Restoration Plan (LJRP)	<p>A plan produced under the Grid Code detailing the agreed method and procedure by which an Anchor Generator will energise part of the Total System and meet appropriately sized blocks of local Demand so as to form a Power Island. A Local Joint Restoration Plan may require contributions from one or more Top Up Restoration Contractors.</p> <p>A Local Joint Restoration Plan falls outside the provisions of a Distribution Restoration Zone Plan.</p>
Low Voltage or LV	In relation to alternating current, a voltage exceeding 50 volts but not exceeding 1 000 volts.

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Manufacturers' Information	Information in suitable form provided by a manufacturer in order to demonstrate compliance with one or more of the requirements of the Distribution Code . Where equipment certificate(s) as defined in Assimilated Law (Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/631, (Network Requirements for Connections of Generators)), or (Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1388 (Network Code on Demand Connection)) cover all or part of the relevant compliance points, the equipment certificate(s) demonstrate compliance without need for further evidence for those aspects within the scope of the equipment certificate.
Maximum Generation	The additional output obtainable from a Power Generating Module in excess of Registered Capacity .
Medium Power Station	<p>A Power Station which is connected to a System notionally connected to a Grid Supply Point in NGET's Transmission Area with a Registered Capacity of 50 MW or more but less than 100 MW.</p> <p>For the avoidance of doubt an installation comprising one or more DC Converters with an aggregate capacity of between 50 and 100MW will be classed as a Medium Power Station for the purposes of this Distribution Code.</p>
Meter Operation Code of Practice Agreement	The agreement of that name, as amended from time to time.
Meter Operator	A person, registered with the Registration Authority , appointed by either a Supplier or Customer to provide electricity meter operation services. (This Distribution Code does not place any direct obligation on Meter Operators other than through the appointment by either a Supplier or a Customer .)
Minimum Generation	The minimum output which a Power Generating Module can reasonably generate as registered under the Distribution Data Registration Code .
Minister of the Crown	As defined in the ESO Licence .
National Electricity Transmission System	The Onshore Transmission System and Offshore Transmission System .
National Electricity Transmission System Demand	As defined in the Grid Code .
NESO	The company with registered number 11014226, as the designated ISOP and holder of the ESO Licence and the GSP Licence .
NGET	National Grid Electricity Transmission plc.
Normal Operating Frequency	The number of Alternating Current cycles per second, expressed in Hertz at which the System normally operates, ie 50 Hertz.

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Offshore	Means in Offshore Waters, as defined in Section 90(9) of the Energy Act 2004.
Offshore Transmission Implementation Plan	As defined in the Transmission Licence .
Offshore Transmission System Operator (OTSO)	The ISOP acting as operator of an Offshore Transmission System .
Offshore Transmission Licensee	The holder of a Transmission Licence granted under Section 6 (1)(b) of the Act excluding NGET , SPT and SHETL .
Offshore Transmission System	Has the meaning set out in the Grid Code .
Onshore Transmission Licensees	NGET , SHETL and SPT .
Onshore Transmission System	Has the meaning set out in the Grid Code .
Operation	A scheduled or planned action relating to the operation of the System .
Operation Diagrams	Diagrams which are a schematic representation of the HV Apparatus and the connections to all external circuits at a Connection Point , incorporating its numbering, nomenclature and labelling.
Operational Boundary	The boundary between the Apparatus operated by the DNO or a User and the Apparatus operated by Other Authorised Distributor(s) or other User(s) , as specified in the relevant Site Responsibility Schedule .
Operational Data (OD)	Information to be supplied pursuant to the Distribution Operating Codes and as set out in the Schedules to the DDRC .
Operational Day	The period from 0500 hours on one day to 0500 on the following day.
Operational Effect	Any effect on the Operation of the relevant other System which causes the National Electricity Transmission System or DNO's Distribution System or the System of the other User or Users , as the case may be, to operate (or be at a materially increased risk of operating) differently from the way in which they would or may have operated in the absence of such an effect.
Operational Planning	The procedure set out in Distribution Operating Code DOC2 comprising, through various timescales, the co-ordination of planned outages of Users' Equipment .
Operational Planning Phase	The period from 8 weeks to 3 years inclusive ahead of real time operation.

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Other Authorised Distributor	A User authorised by Licence or exemption to distribute electricity and having a User Distribution System connected to the DNO's Distribution System .
Output Usable or OU	That portion of Registered Capacity which is not unavailable due to a Planned Outage or breakdown.
Ownership Boundary	The electrical boundary between the Equipment owned by one DNO or User and the Equipment owned by another User .
Partial Shutdown	The same as a Total Shutdown except that all generation has ceased in a separated part of the Total System and there is no electricity supply from External Interconnections or other parts of Total System to that part of the Total System and, therefore, that part of the Total System is Shutdown with the result that it is not possible for that part of the Total System to begin to function again without the ISOP's directions relating to System Restoration .
Peak Demand	The highest level of Demand recorded/forecast for a 12-month period, as specified in the relevant sections of the Distribution Code .
Phase (Voltage) Unbalance	The ratio (in percent) between the rms values of the negative sequence component and the positive sequence component of the voltage.
Planned Outage	An outage of a Power Generating Module , its constituent units (eg generating transformer) or parts, or a relevant part of a User's System or of part of the National Electricity Transmission System or of part of a Distribution System .
Plant	Fixed and movable items used in the generation and/or supply and/or transmission of electricity other than Apparatus .
Power Factor	The ratio of Active Power to apparent power (apparent power being the product of voltage and alternating current measured in volt-amperes and standard multiples thereof, ie VA, kVA, MVA).
Power Generating Module	Any Apparatus which produces electricity.
Power Island	Power Generating Modules at an isolated Power Station , together with complementary local Demand . In Scotland a Power Island may include more than one Power Station .
Power Station	A Power Generating Facility .
Power Generating Facility	An installation comprising one or more Power Generating Modules (even where sited separately) and/or controlled by the same Generator and which may reasonably be considered as being managed as one Power Generating Facility .
Preliminary Project Planning Data	Data relating to a proposed User Development at the time the User applies for a Connection Agreement but before an offer is made.

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Programming Phase	The period between the Operational Planning Phase and the Control Phase . It starts at the 8 weeks ahead stage and finishes at 17:00 on the day ahead of real time.
Protection	The provisions for detecting abnormal conditions in a System and initiating fault clearance or actuating signals or indications.
Qualifying Standard	Electrical standards in use by DNOs and included in the Distribution Code Review Panel's governance procedures, and falling into one of the categories below: <ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Annex 1 Standardii. Annex 2 Standardiii. Individual DNO Standard.
Quick Re-synchronisation	The capability of a Power Generating Module to Re-Synchronise to the System in a relatively short time under conditions considered in the Grid Code .
Reactive Power	The product of voltage and current and the sine of the phase angle between them which is normally measured in kilovar (kVAr) or megavar (MVar).
Registered Capacity	The normal full load capacity of a Power Generating Module as declared by the Generator less the MW consumed when producing the same; ie for all Generators , including Customer With Own Generation , this will relate to the maximum level of Active Power deliverable to the DNO's Distribution System . For Power Generating Modules connected to the DNO's Distribution System via an inverter, the inverter rating is deemed to be the Power Generating Module's rating.
Registered Data	Data referred to in the schedules to the Distribution Data Registration Code .
Remote Transmission Assets.	Any Equipment or meters owned by NGET which: <ol style="list-style-type: none">a) are Embedded in the DNO's Distribution System and which are not directly connected by Plant and/or Apparatus owned by NGET to a sub-station owned by NGET; andb) are by agreement between NGET and the DNO operated under the direction and control of the DNO.
Requesting Control Person	Pursuant to DOC8, the person requesting Safety Precautions at an Operational Boundary .
Restoration Contractor	A Generator or a Customer with a contractual obligation to provide services necessary for recovery from a Total Shutdown or a Partial Shutdown .
Restoration Plan	A LJRP or DRZP as the context requires.
Restoration Service Test	An Anchor Power Generating Module Test , Anchor Power Station Test , Quick Re-synchronisation test or Top Up Restoration Test .

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Retrospective Modification	A modification to the Distribution Code shall be a Retrospective Modification , if the modification is either: a) Stated to be a Retrospective Modification in the relevant Distribution Code Modification Report to the Authority ; or b) A G59/3-7 Modification .
Safety From The System	That condition which safeguards persons working on or testing Apparatus from the dangers which are inherent in working on items of Apparatus which are used separately or in combination in any process associated with the generation, transmission or distribution of electricity.
Safety Management System	The procedure adopted by the DNO or a User to ensure the safe Operation of the System and the safety of personnel required to work on that System .
Safety Precautions	The procedures specified within a Safety Management System .
Safety Rules	The rules or procedure of the DNO or a User to ensure Safety From The System .
Scheduling	The procedure for determining intended usage of Power Generating Modules .
Secretary of State	Has the same meaning as in the Act .
SHETL	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited.
Shutdown	The condition of a Power Generating Module , including its auxiliaries, where there is no energy conversion occurring, there is no Active Power output and there can be no Active Power output until the Power Generating Module is deliberately and actively returned to a state of readiness.
Significant Incident	An Event on the Transmission System or DNO's Distribution System or in a User's System which has or may have a significant effect on the System of others.
Site Responsibility Schedule	A schedule defining the ownership, operation and maintenance responsibility of Equipment at a Connection Point of the DNO .
Small Power Station	As defined in the Grid Code .
SPT	Scottish Power Transmission Limited
Standard Planning Data (SPD)	General information required by the DNO under the Distribution Planning Code .
Standby	The supply of electricity by a Supplier to a Customer on a periodic or intermittent basis to make good any shortfall between the Customer's total supply requirements and that met by his own generation.

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Superimposed Signals	Those electrical signals present on a Distribution System for the purposes of information transfer.
Supplier	(a) A person supplying electricity under an Electricity Supply Licence; or (b) A person supplying electricity under exemption under the Act ; in each case acting in its capacity as a supplier of electricity to Customers in Great Britain .
Supply Agreement	An agreement for the supply of electricity made between a Supplier and a consumer of electricity.
Synchronised	The condition where a Power Generating Module is connected to a System so that the Frequency and phase relationship of that Power Generating Module and the System to which it is connected are identical. Like terms shall be construed accordingly; eg “Synchronism”, “De-Synchronised”, Re-Synchronised.” It is also used to describe the condition where a Customer’s Apparatus is consuming electricity supplied from the System .
System	An electrical network running at various voltages.
System Control	The administrative and other arrangements established to maintain as far as possible the proper safety and security of the System .
System Incident Centre	A centre set up by the DNO pursuant to the declaration of a Joint System Incident , under DOC 9, to assume control of the incident.
System Restoration	The procedure necessary for a recovery from a Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown .
System Stability	The ability of the System for a given initial operating condition to regain a state of operating equilibrium after being subjected to a given disturbance, with most System variables being within acceptable limits so that practically the whole System remains intact.
System Test	That test or tests which involve simulating conditions or the controlled application of irregular, unusual or extreme conditions on the Total System or any part of it, but not including routine testing, commissioning or recommissioning tests.
Target Frequency	That Frequency determined by the ISOP as the desired operating Frequency of the Total System , or a relevant Power Island . This will normally be 50.00 Hz plus or minus 0.05 Hz. An example of exceptional circumstances may be during a recovery from a Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown .
Test Coordinator	A suitably qualified person appointed to coordinate System Test pursuant to DOC12.

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Test Panel	A panel, the composition of which is detailed in DOC12, and which will be responsible for formulating System Test proposals and submitting a test programme.
Top-Up	The supply of electricity by any Supplier to the Customer on a continuing or regular basis to make good any shortfall between the Customer's total supply requirements and that met from other sources.
Top Up Restoration Contract	A commercial contract between a Restoration Contractor , the DNO and the ISOP to provide a service (other than Anchor Power Generating Module capability) used to facilitate the operation of a DRZP .
Top Up Restoration Contractor	A Restoration Contractor with a Top Up Restoration Contract .
Top Up Restoration Test	A test conducted on a Top Up Restoration Contractor's Plant to confirm it is capable of meeting the requirements of the relevant Top Up Restoration Contract .
Total Shutdown	The situation existing when all generation has ceased and there is no electricity supply from External Interconnections and therefore the Total System has Shutdown with the result that it is not possible for the Total System to begin to function again without the ISOP's directions relating to System Restoration .
Total System	The National Electricity Transmission System and all Systems of Users of this National Electricity Transmission System in Great Britain and Offshore .
Transmission Licence	The licence granted under Section 6(1)(b) of the Act .
Transmission Licensee	Any Onshore Transmission Licensee or Offshore Transmission Licensee .
Transmission System	Has the same meaning as the term "licensee's transmission system" in the Transmission Licence of a Transmission Licensee .
Unmetered Supply	A supply of electricity to premises which is not, for the purposes of calculating charges for electricity supplied to the Customer at such premises, measured by metering equipment.
User	A term used in various sections of the Distribution Code to refer to the persons using the DNO's Distribution System , more particularly identified in each section of the Distribution Code , including for the avoidance of doubt the OTSO for Embedded Transmission System .

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User Development	Either a User's Plant and/or Apparatus and/or System to be connected to the DNO's Distribution System , or a modification relating to a User's Plant and/or Apparatus and/or System already connected to the DNO's Distribution System , or a proposed new connection or modification to the connection within the User's System .
Voltage Reduction	The method to temporarily control Demand by reduction of System voltage.
Weekly Average Cold Spell (ACS) Condition	That particular combination of weather elements that gives rise to a level of Peak Demand within a week, taken to commence on a Monday and end on a Sunday, which has a particular chance of being exceeded as a result of weather variation alone. This particular chance is determined such that the combined probabilities of Demand in all weeks of the year exceeding the annual Peak Demand under Annual ACS Conditions is 50%, and in the week of maximum risk the weekly Peak Demand under Weekly ACS Conditions is equal to the annual Peak Demand under Annual ACS Conditions .

DGD 2. CONSTRUCTION OF REFERENCES

In this **Distribution Code**:-

- (i) The Table of contents, the Guide and headings are inserted for convenience only and shall be ignored in construing the **Distribution Code**.
- (ii) Unless the context otherwise requires, all references to a particular paragraph, sub-paragraph, Annex, Appendix or Schedule shall be a reference to that paragraph, sub-paragraph, Annex, Appendix or Schedule in or to that part of the **Distribution Code** in which the reference is made.
- (iii) Unless the context otherwise requires the singular shall include the plural and vice versa, references to any gender shall include any individual, body corporate, unincorporated association, firm or partnership and any other legal entity.
- (iv) References to the words "include" or "including" are to be construed without limitation to the generality of the preceding words.
- (v) Unless there is something in the subject matter or the context which is inconsistent therewith, any reference to an Act of Parliament or any Section of or Schedule to, or other provision of an Act of Parliament shall be construed at the particular time, as including a reference to any modification, extension or re-enactment thereof then in force and to all instruments, orders and regulations then in force and made or deriving validity from the relevant Act of Parliament.
- (vi) References to "in writing" or "written" include typewriting, printing, lithography and other modes of reproducing words in a legible and non-transitory form and, except where otherwise stated, includes suitable means of electronic transfer, such as electronic mail. In all cases the form of notification and the nominated persons or departments and addresses of the sender and recipient of the data or information shall be agreed by the **DNO** and **User** and the sender shall be able to confirm receipt of the information by the recipient. In

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the case of electronic transfer the sender and recipient shall be able to reproduce the information in non-transitory form.

- (vii) Where the **Distribution Glossary and Definitions** refers to any word or term which is more particularly defined in a part of the **Distribution Code**, the definition in that part of the **Distribution Code** will prevail over the definition in the **Distribution Glossary and Definitions** in the event of any inconsistency.
- (viii) A cross reference to another document or part of the **Distribution Code** shall not of itself impose any additional or further or co-existent right in the part of the text where such cross-reference is contained.
- (ix) Nothing in the **Distribution Code** is intended to or shall derogate from the **DNO's** statutory or licence obligations.
- (x) Except where expressly stated to the contrary, reference to Commission Regulation means the Commission Regulation (EU) as it forms part of **Assimilated Law**, as such regulation may be amended.

ANNEX 1 - QUALIFYING STANDARDS

This Annex forms part of the **Distribution Code** technical requirements.

Distribution Code Requirements Implemented via Electricity Supply Standards

The Annex 1 documents may make reference to the **NETSO**, the Electricity System Operator (ESO) the Transmission System Operator etc. Any such reference will be updated to refer to the **ISOP** during the normal process for updating Annex 1 documents; in the meantime any such references should be interpreted as being a reference to the **ISOP**.

Copies of the following Engineering Recommendations and Technical Specifications are freely available from the **Distribution Code** website at <http://www.dcode.org.uk/> or from Energy Networks Association, 4 More London Riverside, London SE1 2AU, <http://www.energynetworks.org/>. A copy of Engineering Memorandum PO-PS-037 is available from Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution Ltd on request.

- 1 **Engineering Recommendation G5 Issue 5**
Harmonic voltage distortion and the connection of harmonic sources and/or resonant plant to transmission systems and distribution networks in the United Kingdom
- 2 **Engineering Recommendation G59 Issue 3 Amendment 8**
Recommendation for the connection of generating plant to the distribution systems of licensed distribution network operators
- 3 (a) **Engineering Recommendation P2 Issue 8**
Security of Supply.
 (b) **PO-PS-037**
Distribution planning standards of voltage and of security of supply. (Parts of Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution Ltd Area)
- 4 **Engineering Report 130 Issue 4**
Guidance on the application of Engineering Recommendation P2, Security of Supply
- 5 **Engineering Recommendation P24**
AC traction supplies to British Rail
- 6 **Engineering Recommendation P28 Issue 2**
Voltage fluctuations and the connection of disturbing equipment to transmission systems and distribution networks in the United Kingdom
- 7 **Engineering Recommendation P29**
Planning limits for voltage unbalance in the United Kingdom for 132kV and below
- 8 **Engineering Recommendation G83 Issue 2 Amendment 3**
Recommendations for the connection of type tested Small-Scale Embedded Generators (up to 16 A Per Phase) in parallel with low-voltage distribution systems
- 9 **Engineering Recommendation G98 Issue 2**

Requirements for the connection of type-tested micro generators (up to and including 16 A per phase) in parallel with public low voltage distribution networks on or after 27 April 2019.

10 **Engineering Recommendation G99 Issue 2**

Requirements for the connection of generating equipment in parallel with public distribution networks on or after 27 April 2019.

ANNEX 2 - QUALIFYING STANDARDS

This Annex prescribes the Electricity Supply Industry Standards that have a material effect on **Users** but do not implement any **Distribution Code** requirements and do not form part of the **Distribution Code** technical requirements.

The Annex 2 documents may make reference to the **NETSO**, the Electricity System Operator (ESO) the Transmission System Operator etc. Any such reference will be updated to refer to the **ISOP** during the normal process for updating Annex 1 documents; in the meantime any such references should be interpreted as being a reference to the **ISOP**.

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1 **Engineering Recommendation G81** Framework for design and planning, materials specification and installation and record for Greenfield low voltage housing estate installations and associated, new, HV/LV distribution substations

2 **Distributed Generation Connection Guide** (published by Energy Networks Association)

3 **Engineering Report 131 Issue 3**

Analysis package for assessing the security contribution from distributed generation and electricity storage systems – Users’ guide

EREP 131 refers to the associated spreadsheet: ENA Engineering Report 131 Spreadsheet, Issue 3

4 **Engineering Recommendation G12 Issue 5**

Requirements for the application of protective multiple earthing to low voltage networks

5 **Engineering Recommendation P25**

The short-circuit characteristics of single-phase and three-phase low voltage distribution networks

6 **Engineering Recommendation P18**

Complexity of distribution circuits operated at or above 22kV

7 **Engineering Recommendation G87**

Guidelines for the Provision of Low Voltage Connections to Multiple Occupancy Buildings

8 **Technical Specification 41-24 Issue 2**

Guidance for the design, installation, testing and maintenance of main earthing systems in substations

9 **Engineering Recommendation S34 Issue 2**

A guide for assessing the rise of earth potential at electrical installations

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DIN1 INTERPRETATION

DIN1.1 This **Distribution Code** has been prepared by the **DNOs**. Words and expressions printed in bold type are listed in the **Distribution Glossary and Definitions**.

DIN1.2 The **DNO**, unless indicated otherwise, shall be construed as acting in its **Distribution Business** capacity.

DIN2 DISTRIBUTION LICENCE DUTY

DIN2.1 The **Distribution Licence** (Condition 21) requires the **DNO** in consultation with **Authorised Electricity Operators** liable to be materially affected thereby to prepare and at all times have in force and implement and comply with a **Distribution Code** which:

- (a) Covers all material technical aspects relating to connections to and the operation and use of the **DNO's Distribution System** and the operation of electric lines and electrical **Plant** and **Apparatus** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**. The **Distribution System** of any **Other Authorised Distributor** shall comply with the **Distribution Code** at the point of connection with the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (b) Is designed so as to:
 - (i) Permit the development, maintenance, and operation of an efficient, coordinated and economical **System** for the distribution of electricity.
 - (ii) Facilitate competition in the generation and supply of electricity.
 - (iii) Efficiently discharge the obligations imposed upon **DNOs** by the **Distribution Licence** and comply with the Regulation (where Regulation has the meaning defined in the **Distribution Licence**) and any relevant **Legally Binding Decisions of the European Commission and/or Agency**.
 - (iv) Promote efficiency in the implementation and administration of the **Distribution Code**.

DIN2.2 The **Distribution Code** is in the same form for all **Users** of the same category. In drawing up and implementing the **Distribution Code**, the **Distribution Licence** requires that the **DNO** shall not discriminate against or prefer:

- (a) any one or any group of persons, or
- (b) the **DNO** in the conduct of any business other than the **Distribution Business**, in favour of or against any one other or any other group of persons.

DIN2.3 It is also a requirement of the **Distribution Licence** that the **DNO** shall comply with the provisions of the **Grid Code** so far as applicable to the licensed business, and the **Distribution Code** is designed to ensure that these obligations can be met by the **DNO**.

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DIN3 SCOPE

The **Distribution Code** shall be complied with by the **DNO** and by potential and existing **Generators, Suppliers** and **Customers** connected to or seeking connection to the **DNO's Distribution System** being referred to as **Users** as expressly defined in the various parts of the **Distribution Code**.

DIN4 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

DIN4.1 The **Distribution Code** contains procedures to permit equitable management of day to day technical situations in the Electricity Supply Industry, taking account of a wide range of operational conditions likely to be encountered under both normal and exceptional circumstances. It is nevertheless necessary to recognise that the **Distribution Code** cannot predict and address all possible operational situations. **Users** must therefore understand and accept that the **DNO**, in such unforeseen circumstances, will be required, in the course of the reasonable and prudent discharge of its responsibilities, to act in pursuance of any one or any combination of the following "General Requirements":

- (a) The need to preserve or restore the integrity of the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System**
- (b) The compliance by the **DNO** with its **Distribution Licence** obligations.
- (c) The compliance by others with obligations imposed by Licences issued under the **Act**.
- (d) The avoidance of breakdown, separation or collapse (total or partial) of the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the **Total System**.
- (e) The preservation of safety under all circumstances, including the prevention of personal injury.
- (f) The prevention of damage to **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**.
- (g) The achievement of objectives specifically identified in the **Distribution Code**.
- (h) The compliance by the **DNO** with the **Grid Code**.
 - (i) In the absence of an applicable provision of the **Distribution Code** or any of these General Requirements:
 - (i) The application of a policy aimed at the equitable sharing amongst **User** of any temporary restriction that might be necessary in exceptional circumstances, and
 - (ii) The application of then current industry practice.

DIN4.2 **Users** shall provide such reasonable co-operation and assistance as the **DNO** may reasonably request in pursuance of the above General Requirements.

DIN5 CODE RESPONSIBILITIES

DIN5.1 The **Distribution Code** sets out procedures and principles governing the **DNO's** relationship with all **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DIN5.2 The **DNO** and all **Users** have a duty under this **Distribution Code** to provide such information and resources as are necessary to facilitate compliance with and

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implementation of the **Distribution Code**. The **DNO** can only plan and operate the **DNO's Distribution System** and provide information for the planning and operation of the **National Electricity Transmission System**, having regard to the requirements which **Users** have informed the **DNO** they wish to make of the **DNO's Distribution System**. The **DNO** must be able to rely upon the information which **Users** have supplied to it and will not be held responsible for any consequences which arise from its reasonable and prudent actions on the basis of such information supplied by any **User** or **Users**.

DIN6 CONFIDENTIALITY

The **Distribution Code** contains procedures under which the **DNO's Distribution Business**, in pursuance of its obligation as a **DNO**, will receive information from **Users** relating to the intentions of such **Users**. The **DNO** shall not, except in pursuance of specific requirements of the **Distribution Code**, disclose such information to any **User** or other person without the prior written consent of the provider of the information, subject to the requirements of the **Distribution Licence** (Condition 39).

DIN7 PUBLICATIONS

The **Distribution Code** contains references to various Electricity Supply Industry publications which provide guidance on planning and design criteria. A list of the publications referred to is included as an Annex 1 to the **Distribution Code**.

DISTRIBUTION GENERAL CONDITIONS (DGC)

DGC1 INTRODUCTION

The **Distribution Glossary and Definitions** apply to all provisions of the **Distribution Code**. Their objective is to ensure, to the extent possible, that various sections of the **Distribution Code** work together and work in practice for the benefit of all **Users**.

DGC2 SCOPE

The **Distribution Glossary and Definitions** apply to the **DNO** and to all **Users**.

DGC3 UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

If circumstances not envisaged by the provisions of the **Distribution Code** should arise, the **DNO** shall, to the extent reasonably practicable in the circumstances, consult promptly and in good faith with all affected **Users** in an effort to reach agreement as to what should be done. If agreement between the **DNO** and those **Users** cannot be reached in the time available, the **DNO** shall determine what is to be done.

Wherever the **DNO** makes a determination, it shall do so having regard, wherever possible, to the views expressed by **Users** and, in any event, to what is reasonable in all the circumstances. Each **User** shall comply with all instructions given to it by the **DNO** following such a determination provided that the instructions are consistent with the then current technical parameters of the particular **User's System** registered under the **Distribution Code**. The **DNO** shall promptly refer all such unforeseen circumstances and any such determination to the **Distribution Code Review Panel** for consideration in accordance with DGC4.2(e).

DGC4 THE DISTRIBUTION CODE REVIEW PANEL

DGC4.1 The **DNOs** shall establish and maintain the **Panel**, which shall be a standing body, to carry out the functions referred to in paragraph DGC4.2.

DGC4.2 The **Panel** shall:-

- (a) Keep the **Distribution Code** and its working under review, including any necessary requirements for maintaining variations for Scotland and England and Wales;
- (b) to minimise the necessary differences in the treatment of issues in Scotland from their treatment in England and Wales;
- (c) review all suggestions for modifications to the **Distribution Code** which the **Authority** or any **User** may wish to submit to a **DNO** for consideration by the **Panel** from time to time;
- (d) publish recommendations as to modifications to the **Distribution Code** that a **DNO** or the **Panel** feels are necessary or desirable and the reasons for the recommendations;
- (e) issue guidance in relation to the **Distribution Code** and its implementation, performance and interpretation when asked to do so by any **User**; and

- (f) consider what changes are necessary to the **Distribution Code** arising out of any unforeseen circumstances referred to it by the **DNO** under DGC3.
- (g) produce an Annual Report of the activities of the **Panel**; and
- (h) establish and maintain governance arrangements for **Qualifying Standards** that have a material effect on **Users** of the **Distribution System** as follows:
 - (1) national electricity industry standards that implement **Distribution Code** requirements, and which are listed in Annex 1 of the Distribution Code and form part of the **Distribution Code**;
 - (2) other national electricity industry standards that have a material effect on **Users** but do not implement **Distribution Code** requirements and which do not form part of the **Distribution Code** technical requirements. The Panel will maintain a list of these standards. For convenience this list is attached as Annex 2; and
 - (3) standards adopted by individual DNOs, which are published as such by those DNOs and which have a material effect on **Users**;
- (i) maintain a detailed procedure for the overall governance arrangements for **Qualifying Standards**, which shall be agreed by resolution of the **Panel** from time to time; and
- (j) have regard for commercial matters insofar as they interact with the **Distribution Code** and take into account the commercial implications of **Distribution Code** provisions when developing modifications to the **Distribution Code** and **Annex 1 Standard** and **Annex 2 Standard**. However, the **Panel** shall not be required to discuss issues relating solely to commercial matters.

DGC4.3 The **Panel** shall consist of:-

- (a) A Chair and up to 6 members appointed by the **ITCG**, at least one of whom will be a member of the Grid Code Review Panel and at least one of whom will be an **Independent Distribution Network Operator**;
- (b) a person appointed by the **Authority**;
- (c) the following members:-
 - (i) 2 persons representing onshore **Generators with Power Generating Facilities** who are **BM Participants** and are active (ie submitting bid-offer data) in the **Balancing Mechanism**;
 - (ii) 2 persons representing onshore **Generators with Embedded Power Generating Facilities** other than those in (i) above; and
 - (iii) 2 persons, other than **Supplier**, representing **Users** without **Power Generating Facilities**;
 - (iv) a person representing the **OTSO**;
 - (v) a person representing **Suppliers**; and
- (d) A person representing customers appointed by the **CA** and **CAS**.

Each of the above shall be appointed pursuant to the rules issued pursuant to DGC4.4.

DGC4.4 The **Panel** shall establish and comply at all times with its own Constitution and Rules and procedures relating to the conduct of its business, which Constitution Rules and procedures shall be approved by the **Authority** and are set out in the “Constitution and Rules of the **Distribution Code Review Panel**”.

DGC4.5 As part of the **DNO**’s obligation to review periodically the **Distribution Code** and its implementation as required by Condition 21 of the **DNO**’s **Distribution Licence**, the **DNO** shall consult all **Authorised Electricity Operators** liable to be affected in relation to all proposed modifications to the **Distribution Code** and shall submit all proposed modifications to the **Distribution Code** to the **Panel** for discussion prior to such consultation. Such review of the **Distribution Code** undertaken by the **DNO** shall involve an evaluation of whether any modification would better facilitate the achievement of the **Distribution Code** objectives, as provided in the **DNO**’s **Distribution Licence**, and, where the impact on greenhouse gasses is likely to be material, this shall include an assessment of the quantifiable impact of any proposed modification on greenhouse gas emissions, to be conducted in accordance with any guidance (on the treatment of carbon costs and evaluation of greenhouse gas emissions) as may be issued by the **Authority** from time to time and in accordance with the rules pursuant to DGC4.4.

DGC4.6 The **DNOs** shall establish and maintain a group to be known as the **ITCG**, which shall be a standing body comprised of representatives of the **DNOs** to carry out the functions referred to in its own constitution and rules.

DGC4.7 The **ITCG** shall establish and comply at all times with its own constitution and rules relating to the conduct of its business, which constitution and rules shall be approved by the **Authority**.

DGC4.8 The **DNOs** shall fund and share the costs incurred by or on behalf of the **DNOs** in relation to the operation of the **Panel** and the **ITCG** in accordance with the cost apportionment mechanism set out in the constitution and rules of the **ITCG**.

DGC5 COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE DNO AND USERS

Unless otherwise specified in the **Distribution Code**, the methods of operational communication (other than relating to the submission of data and notices) shall be agreed between the **DNO** and **User** from time to time. The **DNO** shall operate an enquiry service for dealing with incidents on the **DNO**’s **Distribution System** and interruptions in supply.

DGC6 DATA AND NOTICES

DGC6.1 Data and notices to be exchanged between the **DNO** and **User** under the **Distribution Code** (other than data which is the subject of a specific requirement of the **Distribution Code** as to the manner of its delivery) shall be delivered in writing in accordance with DGD2 (vi).

DGC6.2 All data items, where applicable, will be referenced to nominal voltage and **Frequency** unless otherwise stated.

DGC6.3 **Advisory and information requests**

DGC6.3.1 DGC6.3 applies to **DNOs** and the following Users:-

- (a) **Embedded Generators;**
- (b) **Demand Services Provider;**
- (c) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System;**
- (d) Any other person who is making application for use of or connection to the **DNO's Distribution System;**
- (e) **Suppliers;** and
- (f) **Meter Operators.**

DGC6.3.2 The **ISOP** is required to provide advice, analysis or information to the **Authority** or to a **Minister of the Crown** when requested in accordance with section 171 of the Energy Act 2023 and condition D1 of the **ESO Licence** and **GSP Licence**.

DGC6.3.3 The **ISOP** may by notice request from any **DNOs** or **Users** (“an **Information Request Notice Recipient**”), such information as it reasonably requires in connection with the exercise of any of its functions, in accordance with section 172 of the Energy Act 2023. It will do so by the issue of an **Information Request Notice**. The purposes of this may include to assist in the fulfilment of a request for advice, analysis or information as set out in DGC6.3.2.

DGC6.3.4 The **ISOP** is required by condition D2 of the **ESO Licence** and **GSP Licence** to prepare, submit for approval by the **Authority** and publish on its website once approved an **Information Request Statement** that sets out further detail on the process the **ISOP** expects to follow when requesting information from other parties.

The **Information Request Statement** must include, but need not be limited to, the following matters as set out in condition D2.5 of the **ESO Licence** and **GSP Licence**:

- (a) the process the **ISOP** expects to follow when issuing an **Information Request Notice**, including any further detail around the expected engagement between the **ISOP** and an **Information Request Notice Recipient**; and
- (b) the details to be included in an **Information Request Notice** issued by the **ISOP**.

DGC6.3.5 An **Information Request Notice Recipient** to whom a request is made under DGC6.3.3 must, so far as reasonably practicable, provide the requested information within such reasonable period, and in such reasonable form and manner, as may be specified in the **Information Request Notice**.

DGC6.3.6 The **ISOP** must, unless the **Authority** otherwise consents, maintain for a period of six years and provide to the **Authority** where required a record of information requests as detailed in condition D2.12 of the **ESO Licence** and **GSP Licence** including:

- (a) a copy of the **Information Request Notice**;
- (b) any subsequent variations to the original information requested;
- (c) the **Information Request Notice** Recipient's response to the notice, including any refusal or challenges to the notice or requested information;
- (d) the time taken for the **Information Request Notice** Recipient to provide the requested information;
- (e) the manner and form the information was provided in; and
- (f) the information provided in response to the notice, and whether such information complied, in the **ISOP**'s view, with the **Information Request Notice**.

DGC6.4 **Directions related to national security**

DGC6.4.1 **DNOs** and the following **Users** may be affected by DGC6.4:-

- (a) **Customers**;
- (b) **Embedded Generators**;
- (c) **Demand Services Provider**;
- (d) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**;
- (e) Any other person who is making application for use of or connection to the **DNO's Distribution System**;
- (f) **Suppliers**; and
- (g) **Meter Operators**.

DGC6.4.2 The **Secretary of State** may issue a direction to the **ISOP** as referred to in condition B4 of the **ESO Licence** where in the opinion of the **Secretary of State** there is a risk relating to national security that may detrimentally impact the resilience, safety or security of the energy system, or the continuity of essential services, and it is in the interest of national security that a direction should be issued to the **ISOP**.

DGC6.4.3 The **ISOP** must comply with any such direction that has been issued by the **Secretary of State**. **DNOs** and **Users** should note that the **ISOP** is not required to comply with any other obligation in the **ESO Licence** where and to the extent that compliance with that obligation would be inconsistent with the requirement to comply with such a direction, for the period set out in the direction. This includes the requirement set out in condition E5 of the **ESO Licence** to comply with the **Distribution Code**.

DGC6.4.4 The **ISOP** is required under condition B4 of its **ESO Licence** to inform the **Secretary of State** of any conflict with the obligations as identified in DGC6.4.3 as soon as reasonably practicable after the conflict is identified. The **ISOP** will include in such a notice, details of any identified impact or non-compliance that will be caused or will be likely to be caused to **DNOs** and **Users**, and in such a case

will also seek clarification of whether this can be shared with the affected **DNO** or **User**.

DGC6.4.5 Where reasonably practicable and subject to the agreement of the **Secretary of State** to share any such specific details, the **ISOP** will inform affected **DNOs** and **Users** as identified in DGC6.4.4 of what actions the **ISOP** will or has taken, or not taken, to comply with a direction or amended direction (including when such a direction is revoked) and what identified impact or non-compliance this will or is likely to cause to the **DNOs** or the **User**.

DGC6.4.6 The **ISOP's** obligations under the **Distribution Code** and any contracts made under the **Distribution Code** shall be suspended without liability where and to the extent that compliance with any such obligation would be inconsistent with the requirement upon the **ISOP** to comply with a direction.

DGC6.4.7 A **DNO's** obligations under the **Distribution Code** and any contracts made under the **Distribution Code** shall be suspended without liability where and to the extent that the **DNO** is unable to comply with any such obligation as a result of any action taken, or not taken, by the **ISOP** to comply with a direction.

DGC6.4.8 A **User's** obligations under the **Distribution Code** and any contracts made under the **Distribution Code** shall be suspended without liability where and to the extent that the **User** is unable to comply with any such obligation as a result of any action taken, or not taken, by the **ISOP** to comply with a direction.

DGC6.4.9 The **Secretary of State** may at any time amend or revoke any direction issued to the **ISOP** as referred to in condition B4 of the **ESO Licence**.

DGC7 OWNERSHIP OF PLANT AND/OR APPARATUS

References in the **Distribution Code** to **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** of a **User** include **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** used by a **User** under an agreement with a third party.

DGC8 SYSTEM CONTROL

Where a **User's System** (or part thereof) is, by agreement, under the control of the **DNO**, then for the purposes of communication and co-ordination in operational timescales the **DNO** can (for those purposes only) treat that **User's System** (or part thereof) as part of the **DNO's Distribution System** but as between the **DNO** and **Users**, it shall remain to be treated as the **User's System** (or part thereof).

DGC9 EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

Users should note that the provisions of the **Distribution Code** may be suspended in whole or in part during a Security Period as more particularly provided for in the **Fuel Security Code**, or in accordance with a **Civil Emergency Direction** issued under a Civil Emergency in accordance with **Distribution Operating Code DOC9**.

DGC10 DISTRIBUTION CODE RESPONSIBILITIES

The **Distribution Code** sets out procedures and principles governing the relationship between the **DNO** and all **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DGC11 MODIFICATIONS TO THE DISTRIBUTION CODE

DGC11.1 Modifications to the **Distribution Code** shall be made in accordance with the procedures set out in the Constitution and Rules of the **Distribution Code Review Panel**.

DGC11.2 Subject to DGC11.3, modifications to the **Distribution Code** that change the obligations on **Users** to comply with the **Distribution Code** in relation to their **Equipment** will apply to any **Equipment** installed in the **User's** installation on or after the **Effective Date** of the relevant modification.

DGC11.3 If a modification to the **Distribution Code** is a **Retrospective Modification**, all **Users** must comply with the **Retrospective Modification** in relation to any **Equipment** installed in the **User's** installation before the **Effective Date** of the **Retrospective Modification**.

DCG 11.4 Where the **User** makes a material alteration to the relevant **Equipment**, then the **User** shall comply with the requirements of the **Distribution Code** currently in force at the date of the material alteration.

DGC11.5 The **DNOs** shall appoint a Code Administrator (as defined in the **Distribution Licence**). The Code Administrator shall (in addition to any powers, duties or functions set out in the **Distribution Code** or the Constitution and Rules of the **Distribution Code Review Panel**):

- (a) together with other code administrators, publish, review, and (where appropriate) amend from time to time the Code of Practice (Code of Practice in DGC11.3 has the meaning defined in the **Distribution Licence**);
- (b) facilitate the procedures for making a modification to the **Distribution Code**;
- (c) have regard to, and in particular (to the extent relevant) be consistent with, the principles contained in the Code of Practice;
- (d) provide assistance, insofar as it is reasonably practicable and on reasonable request, to **Authorised Electricity Operators** (including in particular Small Participants as defined in the **Distribution Licence**) and, to the extent relevant, consumer representatives that request the Code Administrator's assistance, in relation to the **Distribution Code** including, but not limited to, understanding the operation of the **Distribution Code**, their involvement in, and representation during, the modification processes (including, but not limited to, **Panel** and/or working group meetings), and accessing information relating to modification proposals and/or modifications.

DGC12 CUSTOMER AND GENERATOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE DISTRIBUTION CODE

DCG12.1 Where a **Customer** or a **Generator** becomes aware that it is not, or might not be, compliant with a **Distribution Code** requirement, the **Customer** or **Generator** shall inform the **DNO** as soon as reasonably practicable.

DCG12.2 Non-compliance, or potential non-compliance, with the **Distribution Code**, may be identified through **System** monitoring or from the investigation of an **Event** on the **System**.

DGC12.3 If a **DNO** considers that a **Customer** or a **Generator** is not, or might not be, compliant with a **Distribution Code** requirement and such non-compliance, or potential non-compliance

- (a) relates either to a single item of **Equipment** in a **Customer**'s or a **Generator**'s installation or items of **Equipment** in multiple **Customers**' or **Generators**' installations, and
- (b) is such that, in the opinion of the **DNO**, it has a material detrimental impact on the **System**,

then the **DNO** shall follow the **Distribution Code Compliance Process**. For example, non-compliance or potential non-compliance of **Equipment** in a **Generator**'s installation with the following **Distribution Code** requirements is considered to have a material detrimental impact on the **System**:

- i) Those requirements introduced by the **G59 3/7 Modification**.
- ii) Those requirements introduced by a **Retrospective Modification**.
- iii) **Embedded Generator** interface protection requirements set out in DPC7.1.4 and EREC G59, as appropriate, identified as having a material detrimental effect by the **DNO**, as part of the Accelerated Loss of Mains Change Programme.

DGC12.4 If, on completion of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process** under DGC12.3 the **Customer** or **Generator** has not implemented such changes to its **Equipment** as may be required to ensure compliance with the **Distribution Code** and / or provided information to the reasonable satisfaction of the **DNO** to demonstrate that its **Equipment** is compliant with the **Distribution Code**, and either:

- (a) the **Customer** or **Generator** has not submitted a competent derogation application to the **DNO** with respect to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance with the **Distribution Code** within the timescale of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process** under DGC12.3, or
- (b) the **DNO** has not submitted a competent derogation application to the **Authority** with respect to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance with the **Distribution Code** within 10 (ten) **Business Days** of completion of the applicable **Distribution Code Compliance Process** under DGC12.3, or
- (c) the **Customer**, the **Generator** or the **DNO** has submitted a competent derogation application, in accordance with DGC12.4 (a) or (b) as applicable, with respect to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance with the **Distribution Code** and the **Authority** has decided to refuse that application,

then the **Customer** or **Generator** shall be in breach of the **Distribution Code** and the **DNO** shall **De-energise** the **Customer**'s or the **Generator**'s **Connection Point** as soon as reasonably practicable.

DGC12.5 **Distribution Code Compliance Process**

The **Distribution Code Compliance Process** sets out a detailed prescriptive process and timeline.

Where the **DNO** believes that the application of this process would be inappropriate in relation to a specific non-compliance or potential non-compliance, the **DNO** shall seek derogation from the **Authority** to apply a different process, e.g. a shorter process where a non-compliance or potential non-compliance needs to be addressed urgently.

In the event of non-compliance or potential non-compliance with the **Distribution Code**, identified in accordance with DGC12.3, the **DNO** will follow a five-stage process to resolve the issue. If, after following this process the issue remains unresolved, the **DNO** has an obligation to de-energise the **Customer's** or the **Generator's Connection Point** in accordance with DGC12.4.

A **Customer** or **Generator** may contact the **DNO** to request that the **DNO** applies for derogation, from the **Authority** against the **DNO** obligation to de-energise a non-compliant installation at any time but it is encouraged to do so as early into the **Distribution Code Compliance Process** as possible. The **DNO** is not obliged to act on such a request from a **Customer** or a **Generator** where there is no technical reason preventing the **Customer** from complying with the **Distribution Code**, unless the derogation relates to non-compliance with a requirement arising from an EU Network Code which is **Assimilated Law**.

Where it is reasonable to act on a **Customer's** or a **Generator's** request, the **DNO** will apply to the **Authority** for derogation following the process in Ofgem's guidance.¹

Where the **Authority** grants the **DNO** derogation from the obligation to de-energise the specific non-compliant **Customer's** or **Generator's** installation then that installation shall remain connected.

Where the **Authority** rejects the derogation request then the **DNO** shall de-energise that installation as soon as reasonably practicable.

The **DNO** will commence the **Distribution Code Compliance Process** when the non-compliance or potential non-compliance is first identified in accordance with DGC12.3 except where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance relates to Type D Power Generation Module; in which case the **Distribution Code Compliance Process** will be initiated following the exhaustion of the Limited Operational Notification process set out in DGC Annex 1 Item 10, Engineering Recommendation G99.

¹ Guidance on technical derogation requests, Ofgem. 16 November 2017.

Stage 1 – First Notice (Week 0)

1. The **DNO** will issue notification in writing to the **Customer** or the **Generator**, which:
 - (a) sets out the non-compliance or potential non-compliance;
 - (b) sets out the actions the **Customer** or the **Generator** must take to address the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and the dates by which those actions should be complete, noting that compliance is required by no later than 26 weeks from the date of the notification;
 - (c) clarifies that, although the **Customer** or the **Generator** may request that the **DNO** applies to the **Authority** for a derogation relating to compliance with the **Distribution Code** at any time during the **Distribution Code Compliance Process** a **Customer** or a **Generator** that is considering requesting that the **DNO** requests a derogation from the **Authority** must do so as early in the **Distribution Code Compliance Process** as possible; and
 - (d) sets out the timescales associated with the **Distribution Code Compliance Process**.
2. If, by the end of Week 4, the **Customer** or the **Generator** has not demonstrated compliance with the **Distribution Code**, the **DNO** will initiate Stage 2 of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process**.

Stage 2 - Second Notice (Week 4)

1. The **DNO** will issue notification in writing to the **Customer** or the **Generator**, which:
 - (a) sets out whether a response has been received from the **Customer** or the **Generator** following Stage 1;
 - (b) sets out whether the **Customer** or the **Generator** has provided evidence to demonstrate its compliance with the **Distribution Code**;
 - (c) sets out whether a compliance plan has been agreed and summarises the plan, including the key dates; and
 - (d) repeats the relevant parts of the notification provided under Stage 1.
2. If the **Customer** or the **Generator** does not respond to the notification provided under Stage 1, the **DNO** will attach a suitably robust and durable copy of that notification to a suitable location at or as close as possible to the **Customer's** or the **Generator's** site, for example to the site gate, fence, door, metering annex etc.
3. If, by the end of Week 8, the **Customer** or the **Generator** has not demonstrated compliance with the **Distribution Code**, the **DNO** will initiate Stage 3 of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process**.

Stage 3 – Third Notice (Week 8)

1. The **DNO** will repeat the relevant parts of Stage 2 of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process**.
2. If, by the end of Week 16, the **Customer** or the **Generator** has not demonstrated compliance with the **Distribution Code**, the **DNO** will initiate Stage 4 of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process**.

Stage 4 – Fourth Notice (Week 16)

1. The **DNO** will repeat the relevant parts of Stage 2 of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process**.
2. If, by the end of Week 22, the **Customer** or the **Generator** has not demonstrated compliance with the **Distribution Code**, the **DNO** will initiate Stage 5 of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process**.

Stage 5 – Final Notice (Week 22)

1. The **DNO** will repeat the relevant parts of Stage 2 of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process**.
2. The notification provided to the **Customer** or the **Generator** will clearly state that, if the **Customer** or the **Generator** has not provided evidence sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the **Distribution Code** by the end of week 26, the **DNO** will make arrangements to de-energise the **Customer's** or the **Generator's Connection Point** in accordance with **Distribution Code DGC12.4**.

DGC12.6 Notification

The **DNO** will give the notifications required under each stage of the **Distribution Code Compliance Process** in accordance with the National Terms of Connection or with the relevant bilateral connection agreement and to the most recent address held by the **DNO** for correspondence with the **Customer** or the **Generator**. Where the **DNO** holds an email address for the **Customer** or the **Generator** the **DNO** will also email the relevant notification to that email address.

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DISTRIBUTION PLANNING AND CONNECTION CODE 1

DPC1 GENERAL INTRODUCTION

- DPC1.1 The **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** specifies the technical and design criteria and the procedures to be applied by the **DNO** in the planning and development of the **DNO's Distribution System** and to be taken into account by **Users**, as defined in DPC3 below, in the planning and development of their own **Systems** insofar as the latter affect the operation and use of the **DNO's Distribution System**. Developments on the **DNO's Distribution System** may have an impact on the **National Electricity Transmission System** and this will be taken into account in the planning and development of the **DNO's Distribution System** and the conditions of the **Grid Code** complied with as appropriate.
- DPC1.2 This **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** also specifies the technical, design and operational criteria which must be complied with by the **Users**, defined in DPC3 below connected to, or seeking connection to the **DNO's Distribution System**, in the planning and development of their **Systems** in so far as they affect the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- DPC1.3 A requirement for reinforcement or extension of the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System** may arise due to the requirements of a **User** or for a number of other reasons including, but not limited to:
- (a) A development on a **User's System** already connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** as a **User Development**.
 - (b) The introduction of a new **Connection Point** between a **User's System** and the **DNO's Distribution System**.
 - (c) Transient, or steady state stability considerations.
 - (d) The development of an existing, or the connection of a new **Customer**.
 - (e) The cumulative effect of any combination of the above.
- DPC1.4 Accordingly, the reinforcement or extension of the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System** may involve work:
- (a) At the **Connection Point** between a **User's System** and the **DNO's Distribution System**.
 - (b) On distribution or transmission lines or substations or other facilities which join the **Connection Point** to the remainder of the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System**.
 - (c) At or between points on the **DNO's Distribution System** remote from the **Connection Point**.
- DPC1.5 The time required for the planning and development of the **DNO's Distribution System** and any consequential requirement of the **DNO's** interface with the **National Electricity Transmission System** will depend on the type and extent of the necessary reinforcement and/or extension work, the need or otherwise to obtain statutory or other consents by all parties, the associated possibility for a public inquiry and the degree of complexity in undertaking the new work whilst maintaining satisfactory security and quality of supply on the **DNO's Distribution**

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System. The **Distribution Licence** imposes appropriate timescales on the exchange of information between the **DNO** and **Users**.

DPC1.6 **Planning Data**

DPC1.6.1 **Standard Planning Data**

Standard Planning Data is that data first to be provided by a **User** at the time of an application for a **Connection Agreement**. It comprises data, which is expected normally to be sufficient for the **DNO** to investigate the impact on the **DNO's Distribution System** of any **User Development** associated with an application by the **User** for a **Connection Agreement**. The **DNO** will inform **Users** where more detailed information is required.

DPC1.6.2 **Detailed Planning Data**

Detailed Planning Data comprises additional, more detailed, data not normally expected to be required by the **DNO** to investigate the impact on the **DNO's Distribution System** of any **User Development** associated with an application by the **User** for a **Connection Agreement**.

The **User** may, however, be required by the **DNO** to provide the **Detailed Planning Data** before the **DNO** can make an offer for a **Connection Agreement**. The **DNO** shall only request **Detailed Planning Data** where it considers the provision of such data to be necessary and in such cases the **DNO** shall specify which elements of **Detailed Planning Data** are required.

DPC1.6.3 **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** requirements are specified for different **User Developments** of different types in DPC5 and DPC7 of this **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** and summarised in the **Distribution Data Registration Code**.

DPC1.6.4 **Estimated Data**

Where data is not available at the feasibility stage or preliminary stage of a **User Development** then the **User** may provide a reasonable estimate of the data to be requested by the **DNO** and in such cases the data shall be identified as estimated data by the **User**. Estimated data supplied by **Users** in pursuance of this **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** should, where practicable, be replaced by actual validated values prior to connection.

DPC1.6.5 **Assumed Data**

Where data is not available or has not been provided by the **User** at the feasibility stage or preliminary stage of a **User Development** then the **DNO** may make reasonable assumptions of the data required for assessment of the **User Development** and in such cases the **User** shall be notified of the assumed values adopted. Where the **DNO** has notified the **User** that assumed data has been adopted by the **DNO** in pursuance of this **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** then the **User** should, where practicable provide actual validated values to replace the assumed values prior to connection.

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DPC1.7 Status of Planning Data

It is in the interests of all **Users** to initiate early discussion with the **DNO** regarding any proposed **User Development**, which may have an impact on the **DNO's Distribution System**.

For the purposes of this **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** it is considered that development will consist of four stages: -

(a) Feasibility Project Stage

At this optional stage the **User** will be considering a **User Development**. The **DNO** will be pleased to conduct a short meeting to discuss the **User's** requirements and provide guidance on the likely implications for the **DNO's Distribution System**.

If at this stage the **User** requires further information then the **DNO** will request **Standard Planning Data** from the **User** and provide a feasibility assessment identifying items of significant cost to the extent permitted by the information provided by the **User**. In accordance with the **DNO's** Statement of Charges a charge will be payable by any potential **User** for such an assessment.

At the feasibility project stage a number of iterative studies may be carried out by the **DNO** at the request of the **User** (or by the **User**) to identify opportunities for connection and corresponding costs and technical issues. The **Feasibility Project Data** requested by the **DNO** from the **User** to carry out these feasibility studies may include both **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** depending on the complexity of the assessment studies required to be carried out by the **DNO**.

(b) Preliminary Project Stage

At this stage the **User** will have submitted an application for a **Connection Agreement**. The **Preliminary Project Planning Data** requested by the **DNO** from the **User** for assessing the connection and costs may include both **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data**.

(c) Committed Project Stage

At this stage a **Connection Agreement** will have been established. The **Committed Project Planning Data** on which the **Connection Agreement** is based may include both **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data**.

(d) Registered Project Stage

At this stage the connection will be physically established. The **Registered Data** for the connection shall include replacements for estimated and assumed values, where practicable, using validated actual values and updated forecasts for future data items.

DPC1.8 Reference is made in the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** to the **DNO** supplying information or advice to **Users**. For the avoidance of doubt, unless the context otherwise requires, such information or advice will be furnished by the

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DNO upon request by the **User** (whether during the application for connection process or otherwise).

DPC1.9 The provisions of the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** shall, subject to DPC1.8, be applicable to:

- (a) All existing connections as at the date of commencement of **DNO's Distribution Licence**.
- (b) All new or modified connections thereafter.

DPC1.10 In considering the approval of existing connections at the date of commencement of its **Distribution Licence**, the **DNO** shall have regard to the fact that previous changes in technical and design standards have not been applied retrospectively in every case, and the **DNO** shall not seek, under the terms of these **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** Conditions, to impose retrospective changes where these had not been required in the past, except where the **DNO** can reasonably demonstrate that significant change has occurred to conditions which existed when the matter was previously considered by the **DNO** or its predecessors.

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DPC2 OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Distribution Planning and Connection Code are to:-

- (a) Enable the **DNO's Distribution System** to be planned, designed and constructed to operate economically, securely and safely.
- (b) Facilitate the use of the **DNO's Distribution System** by others and to specify a standard of supply to be provided.
- (c) Establish technical conditions which facilitate the interfacing of **Systems** at points of entry to and exit from the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (d) Formalise the exchange of **System** planning data.
- (e) Provide sufficient information for a **User** to assess opportunities for connection and to plan and develop his **System** such as to be compatible with the **DNO's Distribution System**.

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DPC3

SCOPE

- DPC3.1 The **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** specifies the planning, design and connection requirements for **Distribution Systems** owned by the **DNO** and for connections to those **Systems**.
- DPC3.2 The **Users** to whom the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** applies are those who use or intend to use the **DNO's Distribution System** and comprise the following:-
- (a) **Embedded Generators**.
 - (b) **Suppliers**.
 - (c) **Customers** including those with **Unmetered Supplies** who are connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
 - (d) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
 - (e) **Meter Operators** which perform services in respect of **Equipment** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.

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DPC4 DESIGN PRINCIPLES AND STANDARDS

DPC4.1 Introduction

DPC4.1.1 Planning criteria are based on the requirement to comply with statutory requirements, **Distribution Licence** conditions and other obligations placed on the **DNO** and **Users**.

DPC4.1.2 The **DNO** has a duty to develop and maintain an efficient, secure and co-ordinated **System** of electricity supply that is both economical and safe.

DPC4.1.3 **DPC4** sets out current principles and standards to be applied in the design of the **DNO's Distribution System** and any **User** connections to that **System**. Each scheme for reinforcement or modification of the **DNO's Distribution System** is individually designed in the light of economic and technical features associated with the particular **System** limitations under consideration.

DPC4.1.4 Nothing in DPC4 is intended to inhibit design innovation. DPC4 is, therefore, based upon the performance requirements of the **DNO's Distribution System** necessary to meet the above criteria.

DPC4.1.5 The technical and design criteria applied in the planning and development of the **DNO's Distribution System** are listed in Annex 1 to the **Distribution Code**. These standards may be subject to revision from time to time in accordance with the provision of the **Distribution Licence**.

DPC4.2 Standard of Supply

DPC4.2.1 Security

In accordance with the Condition 24 of the **Distribution Licence**, **DNOs** shall plan and develop their **DNO's Distribution Systems** to a standard not less than that set out in Engineering Recommendation P2 – “Security of Supply” or such other standard of planning as **DNOs** may, with the approval of the **Authority**, adopt from time to time. The current version of Engineering Recommendation P2 approved by the **Authority** as set out in DGD Annex 1 Item 3.

In accordance with the **Distribution Licence** Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution Ltd shall plan and develop its **DNO's Distribution System** in Scotland to a standard set out in PO-PS-037. Engineering Recommendation P2/6 – “Security of Supply” has been modified by Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution Ltd as PO-PS-037 and this is accepted by the **Authority**.

DPC4.2.2 Frequency and Voltage

DPC4.2.2.1 The **DNO's Distribution System** and any **User** connections to that **System** shall be designed to enable the **Normal Operating Frequency** and voltages supplied to **Customers** to comply with the **ESQCR**.

DPC4.2.2.2 The **Frequency** of the **DNO's Distribution System** shall be nominally 50 Hz and shall normally be controlled within the limits of 49.5 - 50.5 Hz in accordance with principles outlined in the **ESQCR**.

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DPC4.2.2.3 In exceptional circumstances, **System Frequency** could rise to values of the order of 52 Hz or fall to values of the order of 47 Hz. Sustained operation outwith the range 47 - 52 Hz is not taken into account in the design of **Plant** and **Apparatus**.

DPC4.2.2.4 Any extension or connection to the **DNO's Distribution System** shall be designed in such a way that it does not adversely affect the voltage control employed on the **DNO's Distribution System**. Information on the voltage regulation and control arrangements will be made available by the **DNO** if requested by the **User**.

DPC4.2.3 **Voltage Disturbances and Harmonic Distortion**

DPC4.2.3.1 General

Under fault and circuit switching conditions the rated **Frequency** component of voltage may fall or rise transiently. The fall or rise in voltage will be affected by the method of earthing of the neutral point of the **DNO's Distribution System** and voltage may fall transiently to zero at the point of fault. BS EN 50160:2010 'Voltage Characteristics of Electricity Supplied by Public Distribution Systems', as amended from time to time, contains additional details of the variations and disturbances to the voltage which shall be taken into account in selecting **Equipment** from an appropriate specification for installation on or connected to the **System**.

DPC4.2.3.2 Voltage Disturbances

Distortion of the **System** voltage waveform, caused by certain types of **Equipment**, may result in annoyance to **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System** or damage to connected **Apparatus**. In order to limit these effects the following shall apply to **Users'** loads connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**:-

- (a) Voltage fluctuations shall comply with the limits and applicable requirements for assessment and measurement set out in DGD Annex 1, Item 6 Engineering Recommendation P28 Issue 2, "Voltage fluctuations and the connection of disturbing equipment to transmission systems and distribution networks in the United Kingdom".
- (b) The harmonic content of a load shall comply with the limits set out in DGD Annex 1, Item 1 Engineering Recommendation G5 Issue 5, "Harmonic voltage distortion and the connection of harmonic sources and/or resonant plant to transmission systems and distribution networks in the United Kingdom".
- (c) **Phase (Voltage) Unbalance** shall comply with the levels laid down in DGD Annex 1, Item 7 Engineering Recommendation P29, "Planning limits for voltage unbalance in the United Kingdom for 132kV and below".
- (d) Traction supplies shall comply as appropriate with the requirements of DGD Annex 1, Item 5. Engineering Recommendation P24 "A.C. traction supplies to British Rail".

Under certain circumstances the **DNO** may agree to other limits or levels.

DPC4.2.3.3 Voltage Step Changes

For voltage step changes caused by the connection and disconnection of **User's Equipment** or **Customer's Demand** to the **DNO's Distribution System**, a general limit of $\pm 3\%$ applies in accordance with Engineering Recommendation P28 Issue 2.

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For very infrequent events that result in rapid voltage change type characteristics, such as when complete sites including a significant presence of transformers are energised as a result of post fault switching, post maintenance switching, or carrying out commissioning tests on the **DNO's Distribution System** or on **Users' Systems**, it will generally be acceptable to design to an expected depression of around $\pm 10\%$, recognising that a worst case energisation might cause a larger depression, on the basis that such events are considered to be rare and it is difficult to predict the exact depression because of the point on wave switching uncertainty.

DPC4.2.4 **Auto-reclosing and Single Phase Protection Operation**

In connecting to the **DNO's Distribution System** the **User** should be aware that auto-reclosing or sequential switching features may be in use on the **DNO's Distribution System**. The **DNO** will on request provide details of the auto-reclosing or sequential switching features in order that the **User** may take this into account in the design of the **User System**, including **Protection** arrangements.

Users should be aware that the **Protection** arrangements on some **Distribution Systems** may cause disconnection of one phase or two phases only of a three phase supply for certain types of fault.

DPC4.3 **Design Principles**

This section sets out design principles for **Users** (excluding **Generators**, the **OTSO** and **Users with Unmetered Supply**), connected at **Low Voltage** and having single phase or three phase supplies protected by fuse(s) or other device(s) rated at 100 amps or less.

DPC4.3.1 Any **User's** installation which complies with the provisions of the Requirements of Electrical Installations BS 7671 as amended from time to time, shall be deemed to comply with the requirements of the **Distribution Code** as regards design and safety.

DPC4.3.2 On the request of a **User** the **DNO** will provide such information, as may be reasonably required, on the design and other characteristics of the **DNO's Distribution System**.

Guidance on the short circuit characteristics of the **Low Voltage System** and associated supplies is provided in **Electricity Supply Industry (ESI)** engineering publications, including Item 5 in Annex 2 - Engineering Recommendation P25, "The short-circuit characteristics of single-phase and three-phase low voltage distribution networks".

Design practice for protective multiple earthing is detailed in the **Electricity Supply Industry** engineering publications (including Item 4 in Annex 2 Engineering Recommendation G12/4, "Application of protective multiple earthing to low voltage networks") and in the references contained in those publications.

The **DNO's** information requirements are detailed in DPC5.2.1.

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DPC4.4 Design Principles for all other Users not included in DPC4.3

DPC4.4.1 Specification of Equipment, Overhead Lines and Underground Cables

- (a) The principles of design, manufacture, testing and installation of distribution **Equipment**, overhead lines and underground cables, including quality requirements, shall conform to applicable statutory obligations and shall comply with relevant **CENELEC** standards, **IEC** publications, European and British Standards. Further advice will be made available upon request to the **DNO**.
- (b) The documents specified in paragraph (a) contain options for purchaser selection which together with other requirements that are necessary to meet **System** design needs, shall be specified so as to provide performances and ratings in line with **Electricity Supply Industry (ESI) Technical Specifications** (some of which are published as **Electricity Supply Industry (ESI) Standards**), British Electricity Board Specifications, Engineering Recommendations and Area Chief Engineers (ACE) Reports and Engineering Technical Reports and **Electricity Supply Industry (ESI)** documents as listed in Annex 1 of the **Distribution Code** or such other specifications as the **DNO** may adopt from time to time by agreement with the **Authority**.
- (c) The specifications of **Equipment**, overhead lines and cables shall be such as to permit **Operation** of the **DNO's Distribution System** within the **Safety Management System** of the **DNO**, details of which will be made available by the **DNO** upon request.
- (d) **Equipment** shall be suitable for use at the operating **Frequency**, within the intended operating voltage range and at the design short-circuit rating of the **DNO's Distribution System** to which it is connected having due regard to fault carrying capabilities and making and breaking duties. In appropriate circumstances, details of the **System** to which connection is to be made will be provided by the **DNO**. Guidance on the short circuit characteristics of the three phase **Low Voltage System** and associated supplies is provided in **Electricity Supply Industry (ESI)** engineering publications, including Item 5 in DGD Annex 2 Engineering Recommendation P25 "The short-circuit characteristics of single-phase and three-phase low voltage distribution networks".
- (e) Connections to the **DNO's Distribution System** operating at 22kV or above will be subject to the requirements of Annex 2 Item 6 (EREC P18).
- (f) Cables, overhead lines transformers and other **Equipment** shall be operated within the thermal rating conditions contained in the appropriate standards, specifications, and other relevant publications, taking into account the intended use. Such information will be made available by the **DNO** upon request.
- (g) The standards, publications and specifications referred to in paragraphs (a) to (f) above are such standards, publications and specifications current at the time that the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** was manufactured (and not commissioned) in the case of **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** on the **Total System**, or awaiting use or re-use. If any such **Plant/Apparatus** is subsequently moved to a new location or used in a different way, or for a different purpose, or is otherwise modified then such standards, publications and specifications current at the time that the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** was manufactured (and not commissioned) will apply provided that in applying such standards, publications and specifications the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** is reasonably fit for its intended purpose having due

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regard to the obligations of the **DNO** and the **User** under their respective licences.

DPC4.4.2 **Earthing**

- (a) The arrangements for connecting the **DNO's Distribution System** with earth shall be designed to comply with the requirements of the **ESQCR** and relevant European and British Standards. Guidance as to the design of earthing systems is contained in **Electricity Supply Industry (ESI)** engineering publications, including Items 8, and 9 in DGD Annex 2 Technical Specification 41-24, "Guidance for the design, installation, testing and maintenance of main earthing systems in substations" and Engineering Recommendation S34, "A guide for assessing the rise of earth potential at substation sites". Additional requirements associated with **Power Generating Modules** are given in DPC7 for generation connected before 27 April 2019 and in EREC G99 for generation connected on or after 27 April 2019.
- (b) The method of earthing of the **DNO's Distribution System**, for example, whether it is connected solidly to earth or through an impedance, shall be advised by the **DNO**. The specification of associated **Equipment** shall meet the voltages which will be imposed on the **Equipment** as a result of the method of earthing.
- (c) Design practice for protective multiple earthing is detailed in the **Electricity Supply Industry (ESI)** engineering publications including Item 4 DGD Annex 2 Engineering Recommendation G12/4, "Application of protective multiple earthing to low voltage networks", and in the references contained in those publications.
- (d) **Users** shall take precautions to limit the occurrence and effects of circulating currents in respect of the neutral points of any interconnected system (eg where there is more than one source of energy.)

DPC4.4.3 **Voltage Regulation and Control**

Any extension or connection to the **DNO's Distribution System** shall be designed in such a way that it does not adversely affect the voltage control employed by the **DNO's Distribution System**. Information on the voltage regulation and control arrangements will be made available by the **DNO** if requested by the **User**.

DPC4.4.4 **Protection**

- (a) The **DNO's Distribution System** and the **System** of any **User** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** shall incorporate protective devices in accordance with the requirements of the **ESQCR**.
- (b) In order to ensure satisfactory operation of the **DNO's Distribution System**, **Protection** systems, operating times, discrimination, and sensitivity across the **Ownership Boundary**, as well as testing and maintenance regimes, shall be agreed between the **DNO** and the **User** during the application for connection process, and may be reviewed from time to time by the **DNO**, with the concurrence of the **User**.
- (c) In order to cover a circuit breaker, or **Equipment** having a similar function, failing to operate correctly to interrupt fault current on a **HV System**, back-up protection by operation of other circuit breakers or **Equipment** having a similar function must normally be provided. The **DNO** will advise the **User** if the same

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is not required. If the **Equipment** providing the back-up protection is owned by the **DNO**, then this **Protection** may be limited to that needed to meet statutory requirements in respect of the **DNO's Distribution System**.

- (d) Unless the **DNO** should advise otherwise, it is not acceptable for **Users** to limit the fault current infeed to the **DNO's Distribution System** by the use of **Protection** and associated **Equipment** if the failure of that **Protection** and associated **Equipment** to operate as intended in the event of a fault, could cause **Equipment** owned by the **DNO** to operate outside its short-circuit rating.

DPC4.4.5 Superimposed Signals

Where **Users** install mains borne signalling equipment it shall comply with BS EN50065 as amended from time to time. Where a **User** proposes to use such equipment to superimpose signals on the **DNO's Distribution System**, the prior agreement of the **DNO** is required.

DPC4.5 Network Statements

DPC4.5.1 In accordance with Condition 4 of its **Distribution Licence** the **DNO**, on the request of a **User**, will prepare a statement showing present and future circuit capacity, forecast power flows and loading on the part or parts of the **DNO's Distribution System** specified in the request and **Fault Levels** at each distribution node covered by the request and containing:

- a) such further information as shall be reasonably necessary to enable such person to identify and evaluate the opportunities available when connecting to and making use of the part or parts of the licensee's distribution system specified in the request; and
- b) if so requested, a commentary prepared by the licensee indicating the licensee's views as to the suitability of the part or parts of the licensee's distribution system specified in the request for new connections and the distribution of further quantities of electricity.

The **Distribution Licence** sets out conditions on the time scales and charges associated with providing such a statement.

DPC4.5.2 In accordance with Condition 25 of its **Distribution Licence** the **DNO** will prepare on the request of the **Authority** a statement, also known as the Long Term Development Statement. The form and content of this statement will be specified by the **Authority** and will cover future years on a rolling basis. This statement gives information to assist any person who contemplates entering into distribution arrangements with the **DNO** to identify and evaluate the opportunities for doing so.

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DPC5 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CONNECTION

DPC5.1 Introduction

DPC5.1.1 **Distribution Planning and Connection Code (DPC5)** ensures that all **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System** are subject to the same requirements for connection.

DPC5.1.2 Data exchange requirements specified in this **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** apply to any **User Development**, which has, or could reasonably be expected to have, an impact on the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DPC5.1.3 DPC5.2 specifies the information required from **Users** by the **DNO** in order to ensure that adequate technical provision is made for new supplies or increases in existing load; DPC5.2.2 also applies to **Embedded Generators** (including **Generators** who operate electricity storage devices) who operate their **Plant** in parallel with the **DNO's Distribution System**, where a supply is required from the **DNO** under normal or emergency conditions. Information required from **Embedded Generators**, with connections at **HV** or **Low Voltage**, in respect of the import of energy to the **DNO's Distribution System**, is covered in DPC7 for generation connected before 27 April 2019 and in EREC G99 for generation connected on or after 27 April 2019. Transfer of Planning Data for **Users** connected at **HV** is set out in DPC8.

DPC5.2 Declaration of Load Characteristics

DPC5.2.1 For supplies at **Low Voltage** under terms in the **Supply Agreement** it is possible in most cases to assess whether a proposed connection is acceptable, and to determine the necessary supply arrangements, from analysis of the following limited data:-

- (a) Maximum power requirements (kVA or kW) of the installation;
- (b) Type and electrical loading of **Equipment** to be connected, eg number and size of dedicated electric vehicle charge points, air source heat pumps, ground source heat pumps, motors, cookers, showers, space and water heating arrangements, including details of equipment which is subject to switching or modulation in accordance with a contract with a **Supplier** or any other party; and
- (c) The date when the connection is required.

These requirements will be specified on the appropriate application for a connection form obtainable from the **DNO**.

Should a preliminary examination of this data indicate that more detailed information is required then it shall be provided to the **DNO** upon request if reasonably required.

Users, shall contact the **DNO** in advance if it is proposed to make any significant change to the connection, electric lines or electrical **Equipment**, install or operate any **Apparatus** or do anything else that could affect the **DNO's Distribution System** or require alterations to the connection. In this case **Users** shall provide the **DNO** with information specified in DPC5.2.1 (a), (b), and (c) above and any information the **DNO** asks for about the nature, or use by the **User**, of electrical

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Equipment on the **User's** premises. The **DNO** will only ask for information that is needed by it in relation to its **Distribution Licence** or the **Distribution Code** or to comply with the **ESQCR** or the **Act**.

DPC5.2.2 The provisions of DPC5.2.1 also apply to supplies other than those at **Low Voltage**. It may be necessary for the following more comprehensive information, in addition to that detailed in DPC5.2.1, to be provided on request:-

DPC5.2.2.1 **Standard Planning Data**

It is possible in most cases to assess whether a proposed connection is acceptable, and to determine the necessary supply arrangements, from analysis of the following limited **Planning Data** which will be specified on the appropriate standard application form obtainable from the **DNO**:

- (a) Point of Connection to the **DNO's Distribution System** (geographical and electrical).
- (b) The date when connection is required.
- (c) Single line diagrams of existing and proposed arrangements of main **Plant** and **Apparatus** showing equipment rating.
- (d) Type and electrical loading of equipment to be connected, eg number and size of motors, electrical heating arrangements, etc.
- (e) Maximum power requirements MVA.
- (f) Maximum **Active Power Demand** (MW).
- (g) Maximum and minimum **Reactive Power** requirements (MVA_r).
- (h) The maximum **Phase (Voltage) Unbalance** which the **User** would expect the **Demand** to impose on the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (i) The maximum harmonic content which will be imposed on the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (j) Details of change of **Demand (Active Power and Reactive Power)**.
- (k) Details of any load management scheme to be applied by the **User** on the **User System**.
- (l) **Peak Demand** profiles at the **Exit Point**, both 2 hourly on day of **User's Peak Demand** and monthly **Peak Demand** variations.
- (m) Three phase short circuit infeed from all sources within the **User's System**, based on **Power Generating Module** sub-transient reactance and the minimum zero phase sequence impedance of the **User's System**.
- (n) Standard load profiles

Should a preliminary examination of this data indicate that more detailed information is required then it shall be provided to the **DNO** on request.

DPC5.2.2.2 **Detailed Planning Data**

It may be necessary for the **User** in addition to that in DPC5.2.2.1, to provide the following more comprehensive **Detailed Planning Data** on request.

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In relation to **Demand**:

- (a) Type of load and control arrangements (eg controlled rectifier or large motor drives and type of starter employed).
- (b) Maximum load on each phase at the time of **Peak Demand**
- (c) **Demand** profiles (48 x half hour average estimates) for **Active** and **Reactive Power Demand** for the day of the **Exit Point Peak Demand** and for the day of the **National Electricity Transmission System Peak Demand** at **Annual Average Cold Spell (ACS) Conditions**.

In relation to fluctuating loads:-

- (a) The rates of change of **Demand (Active Power and Reactive Power)** both increasing and decreasing.
- (b) The shortest repetitive time interval between fluctuations in **Demand (Active Power and Reactive Power)**.
- (c) The magnitude of the largest step changes in **Active Power and Reactive Power**, both increasing and decreasing.

In some cases, more detailed information may need to be provided to permit a full assessment of the effect of the **User's** load on the **DNO's Distribution System**. Such information may include an indication of the pattern of build-up of load and a proposed commissioning programme. This information will be specifically requested by the **DNO** when necessary.

DPC5.2.3 A **DNO** is only entitled to use any information provided by a **User** under this **Distribution Code** for the purpose of fulfilling its obligations in respect of its **Distribution System** required by the **Distribution Licence** or the **Distribution Code**, including operating the procedures for **Load Managed Areas** and associated Security Restriction Notices specified in the **Distribution Use of System Agreement**.

DPC5.3 **Connection Arrangements**

DPC5.3.1 The design of connections between the **DNO's Distribution System** and **Users** shall be in accordance with the principles set out in DPC4, subject to any modification to which the **DNO** may reasonably consent.

DPC5.3.2 During the application for connection process the **DNO** will agree with the **User** the voltage level to which a **User** will be connected in accordance with its normal practice for the type of load to be supplied. The **DNO** may on occasion specify a different connection voltage from normal in order to avoid potential disturbance caused by the **User's Apparatus** to other **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System** or for other technical reasons or may agree alternative methods for minimising the effects of disturbing loads.

DPC5.3.3 Before entering into a **Connection Agreement** and before making a connection to a **User** at a **Connection Point**, it will be necessary for the **DNO** to be reasonably satisfied that the **User's System** at the boundary with the **DNO's Distribution System** will comply with all appropriate requirements of the **Distribution Code**.

DPC5.3.4 The **User's** installation shall comply with the principles expected in Regulation 25(2)(a) of the **ESQCR**, or relevant European and British Standard as appropriate.

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DPC5.4 Ownership Boundaries

DPC5.4.1 The point or points at which supply is given or taken between the **DNO's Distribution System** and **Users** will be agreed between the **DNO** and the **User** as required. For supplies at **Low Voltage** the general rule is that the point of supply will be at the outgoing (ie **User's** side) terminals of the item of **DNO** or **Meter Operator** owned **Apparatus** where the transition is made to the **User's** tails or other **User** owned **Apparatus**. For **HV** supplies, including connections between the **DNO** and **User**, and where necessary busbar connected supplies at **Low Voltage**, the points of supply will be subject to specific agreement between the parties in each case.

DPC5.4.2 The respective ownership of **Plant** or **Apparatus** will be recorded in a written agreement between the **DNO** and the **User** as required. In the absence of a separate agreement between the parties to the contrary, construction, commissioning, control, operation and maintenance responsibilities follow ownership.

DPC5.4.3 For supplies to **Embedded Generators** who operate in parallel with the **DNO's Distribution System** and all supplies at **HV** the **DNO** will with the **User's** agreement prepare a **Site Responsibility Schedule** and, where determined by the **DNO** during the application for connection process, **Operation Diagrams** showing the agreed **Ownership Boundary**.

The **Site Responsibility Schedule** shall detail the demarcation of responsibility for safety of persons carrying out work or testing at sites having a **Connection Point** to the **DNO's Distribution System** and/or circuits which cross an **Ownership Boundary** at any point.

More detailed information on procedures and responsibilities involved in the provision of safety at interfaces between the **DNO's Distribution System** and a **User's System** is set out in **Distribution Operating Code** DOC8.

Copies of these documents will be retained by the **DNO** and the **User**. Changes in the boundary arrangements proposed by either party must be agreed in advance and will be recorded on the **DNO Operation Diagrams**.

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DPC6 TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CONNECTIONS

DPC6.1 Introduction

Distribution Planning and Connection Code DPC6 specifies the technical arrangements required at the **Ownership Boundary** between the **DNO's Distribution System** and the **System** of the **User** and is applicable at all voltage levels, but excludes **Users** (including those with **Unmetered Supplies**) connected at **Low Voltage**, without Generation, and protected by fuse(s) or other device(s) rated at 100 amps or less.

DPC6.2 Equipment at the Ownership Boundary

All **Equipment** at the **Ownership Boundary** shall meet the design principles contained within DPC4.4.1. Except in the case of the boundary between the **DNO** and an **Other Authorised Distributor**, connections for entry to and exit from the **DNO's Distribution System** shall incorporate a means of disconnection of the **User's** installation by the **DNO**. For the avoidance of doubt, this exemption does not apply at the interface between **DNO's Distribution System** and a multiple occupancy **Customer** premise.

DPC6.3 Protection Requirements

Protection requirements vary widely depending on established practices and the needs of the particular **DNO's Distribution System**. The basic requirement in all cases is that **Users'** arrangements for **Protection** at the **Ownership Boundary**, including types of **Equipment** and **Protection** settings, must be compatible with standards and practices on the **DNO's Distribution System**, maintaining necessary operating times, sensitivity, discrimination and co-ordination, as specified by the **DNO** during the application for connection process and which may be reviewed from time to time and complied with by the **User**.

In particular:-

- (a) Maximum fault clearance times (from fault current inception to arc extinction) must be within the limits established by the **DNO** in accordance with **Protection** and **Equipment** short circuit rating policy adopted for the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (b) In connecting to the **DNO's Distribution System** the **User** should be aware that auto-reclosing or sequential switching features may be in use on the **DNO's Distribution System**. The **DNO** will on request provide details of the auto-reclosing or sequential switching features in order that the **User** may take this into account in the design of the **User System**, including **Protection** arrangements.
- (c) **Users** should also be aware that the **Protection** arrangements on some **DNO's Distribution Systems** may cause disconnection of one phase or two phases only of a three phase supply for certain types of fault.

DPC6.4 Earthing

Earthing of that part of the **User's System** that is connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** shall comply with the arrangements specified in **DPC4**.

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DPC6.5 **Fault Level Considerations**

DPC6.5.1 The short circuit rating of **User's Equipment** at the **Connection Point** should be not less than the design **Fault Level** of the **DNO's Distribution System** to which it is connected. The choice of **Equipment** for connection at **Low Voltage** may take into account attenuation in the service lines as specified in DGD Annex 2, Item 5, Engineering Recommendation P25, "The short-circuit characteristics of single-phase and three-phase low voltage distribution networks." The **DNO** in the design of its **System** will take into account the contribution to **Fault Level** of the **User's** connected **System** and **Apparatus**.

DPC6.5.2 In order to permit these assessments to be carried out information should be exchanged on prospective fault power infeed and X/R ratios where appropriate at points of entry to and exit from the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DPC6.6 **Capacitive and Inductive Effects**

The **User** shall, when applying to make a connection, provide the **DNO** with information as detailed in DPC8. Details will be required of capacitor banks and reactors connected at **HV** which could affect the **DNO's Distribution System** and which it is proposed to connect if agreed by the **DNO**. When requested by the **DNO** details shall also be provided of distributed circuit capacitance and inductance. Sufficient detail is required for the following:-

- (a) To verify that controlling **Equipment** of the **DNO's Distribution System** is suitably rated.
- (b) To show that the performance of the **DNO's Distribution System** will not be impaired.
- (c) To ensure that arc suppression coils when used by the **DNO** for **System** earthing purposes are correctly installed and operated.

DPC6.7 **Communications and Telemetry Equipment**

DPC6.7.1 Where required by the **DNO** in order to ensure control of the **DNO's Distribution System**, communications between **Users** and the **DNO** shall be established in accordance with the following. **Users** shall provide and maintain those parts of the communications equipment within their installations. Provision of any necessary communications requirements shall be in accordance with the **Connection Agreement** for a specific connection.

DPC6.7.2 Where **Users** are **Restoration Contractors**, the **User's** facilities referred to in this DPC6.7 shall be provided by the **User** with resilient back up power sources that will allow all communication and telemetry **Equipment** that is required to discharge the **Distribution Restoration Contract** to operate for at least 72 hours following the start of a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**.

DPC6.7.3 All **Users** who are **Restoration Contractors** shall ensure that all their communication and telemetry **Apparatus** is cyber secure. In particular **Restoration Contractors** must ensure that all the communications between the **DNO's** telemetry outstation, or the **DNO's** other terminal **Apparatus**, and the **Restoration Contractor's Apparatus** are also resilient to mains power loss for at least 72 hours. The communication **Apparatus** shall always include the facility for resilient voice communication.

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DPC6.7.4 Primary Speech Facility

Users at their own cost shall provide and maintain **Apparatus** approved by the **DNO** by means of which routine and emergency communications may be established between the **User** and the **DNO**.

Connection to the **DNO's** corporate telephone network and any circuit or circuits required to connect the **Users** with the point of connections shall be provided in accordance with the **Connection Agreement**.

The facilities to be provided by the connection and the signalling and logical requirements for the interface between the **User's Apparatus** and the connection to the **DNO's** corporate telephone network will be specified in the **Connection Agreement**.

DPC6.7.5 Telemetry

The **User** shall provide such voltage, current, frequency, **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** pulses and outputs and status points from his **System** as are considered reasonable by the **DNO** to ensure adequate **System** monitoring. The telemetry outstation in such a situation will be provided, installed and maintained by the **DNO**. **Restoration Contractors** shall provide additional telemetry information as required by their **Distribution Restoration Contract**.

DPC6.7.6 Telecontrol Outstation

If it is agreed between the parties that the **DNO** shall control the switchgear on the **User's System**, the **DNO** shall install the necessary telecontrol outstation. Notwithstanding the above, it shall be the responsibility of the **User** to provide the necessary control interface for the switchgear of the **User** which is to be controlled.

DPC6.7.7 Instructor Facilities

Where required by the **DNO**, the **User** shall provide accommodation for special instructor facilities specified by **DNO** for the receipt of operational messages.

DPC6.7.8 Data Entry Terminals

The **User** shall accommodate the **DNO's** data entry terminals for the purpose of information exchange.

DPC6.7.9 System Monitoring

Monitoring **Apparatus** is provided on the **DNO's Distribution System** to enable the **DNO** to monitor dynamic performance conditions. **Power Generating Modules** and **Power Generating Facilities** will need to provide signals for monitoring purposes. Where this monitoring **Apparatus** requires input signals from the **User's** side of the **DNO/User Ownership Boundary**, the **User** shall be responsible for the provision of suitable signals in accordance with the **Connection Agreement**.

For **Power Generating Modules** commissioned on or after 27 April 2019, additional monitoring **Apparatus** in accordance with Engineering Recommendation G99, as applicable, shall be provided by the **Generator**.

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DPC6.7.10 Access to DNOs' Current and Voltage Signals from DNOs' Instrument Transformer and/or Transducers

DPC6.7.10.1 This DPC 6.7.10 applies where **Customer** need access to current and voltage signal at the **Connection Point** for their own purposes, such as energy management or for export or import limitation schemes.

DPC6.7.10.2 Current:

In general **Customers** will not have access to the **DNO's** current transformers.

Where the **Connection Point** is at **Low Voltage**, **Customers** will generally provide their own current transformers. At all voltages **DNOs** will look to provide accommodation for appropriate current transformers in the **DNO's** termination equipment, if possible.

As an alternative the **DNO** may provide transducers with agreed outputs, or in some cases, be able to accommodate the **Customer's** ring current transformers on the **DNO's** secondary wiring. In all cases this is only possible if:

- BSC Code of Practice 1 or Code of Practice 2 metering is not supplied from those current transformers; and
- the burden can be shown to be acceptable.

Split current transformers where the components of the magnetic circuit are clamped or held secure in a similar way are acceptable. Clip-on current transformers and any current transformer that depends on spring pressure to maintain the magnetic circuit are deprecated because of the risks of the magnetic circuit being air gapped and the consequential inaccuracies.

DPC6.7.10.3 Voltage:

Where the **Connection Point** is at **Low Voltage**, **Customers** will generally be able to provide appropriate voltage signals themselves.

Where the **Connection Point** is at **HV**, **Customers** will generally provide their own voltage transformers. For existing installation only, the **DNO** may be able to provide voltage signals from the **DNO's** voltage transformer if:

- BSC Code of Practice 1 or Code of Practice 2 metering is not supplied from those voltage transformers;
- the voltage supply is sub-fused; and
- the burden can be shown to be acceptable.

In the cases where a voltage supply is provided from the **DNO's** voltage transformer the **Customer** shall not make or change any connections or connected **Apparatus** without prior agreement with the **DNO** as this could affect the **DNO's Apparatus**.

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DPC6.8 System Restoration Capability

DPC6.8.1 Two principal recovery routes from a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** exist, via **LJRPs**, and via **DRZPs**. Their requirements are described in detail in DOC9.

DPC6.8.2 Each **Embedded Generator** shall notify the **DNO** if its **Power Generating Module** has a restart capability without connection to an external power supply, unless the **Embedded Generator** has previously notified the **ISOP** accordingly under the **Grid Code**. Such generation may be recognised by the **ISOP** and the **DNO** in the case of **Anchor Power Stations** for **DRZPs**.

DPC6.8.3 **DRZPs** may also include other **Restoration Contractors** as parties to the **DRZP** in addition to **Anchor Generators**. All **Restoration Contractors** shall ensure that all their relevant **Equipment** is provided with resilient back up power sources that will allow that **Equipment** to operate autonomously, or be operated manually or remotely, for at least 72 hours following the start of the **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**. In these cases the **DNO** will provide power resilient communications to the **Connection Points** of all the **Restoration Contractors'** sites, unless specifically agreed otherwise.

DPC6.8.4 **Restoration Contractors** shall ensure that all their **Equipment** is secure against cyber-attack and intrusion to a level consistent with that of the Security of Network Information System (NIS) Regulations.

DPC6.8.5 **Restoration Contractors** shall have the ability to switch to alternative **Protection** and/or control system settings on their **Equipment** if they are required to do so to be able to satisfy their obligations of a **DRZP**. Any alternative settings shall be agreed with the **DNO** and recorded in the **DRZP**. **Restoration Contractors** shall also have the ability to revert to the original **Protection** and/or control system settings seamlessly whilst their **Equipment** remains in service.

DPC6.8.6 **Restoration Contractors** shall ensure that all their control systems essential for managing their **Equipment** are sufficiently robust and capable of handling all the alarms and other data that will be generated in high volume during **System Restoration**, without any degradation of capability.

DPC6.8.7 During **System Restoration**, any changes to the control systems and settings of the different control devices of the **Power Generating Module** shall be coordinated and agreed between the **DNO**, the **Restoration Contractor** and the **ISOP**.

DPC6.8.8 **Frequency** control device (or speed governor) requirements during **System Restoration**.

Restoration Contractors with generating **Plant** shall be capable of operating their **Power Generating Modules** such that the **Frequency** control device (or speed governor) and unit load controller or equivalent control device, can be switched to **Frequency** control only, with no load influence, during the early stages of **System Restoration** whilst in island operation.

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DPC7 REQUIREMENTS FOR EMBEDDED GENERATORS

DPC7.1 Introduction

DPC7.1.1 In addition to meeting the requirements of this **Distribution Planning and Connection Code DPC7, Embedded Generators** will need to meet the requirements of other relevant sections of the **Distribution Code**. This applies to **Power Generating Modules** that connected both prior to and after 27 April 2019.

DPC7.1.2 DPC7 is applicable to all **Embedded Generators** including a **Customer With Own Generation** and **Other Authorised Distributors**, having **Power Generating Modules** operating or capable of operating in parallel with the **DNO's Distribution System** that were commissioned on the **DNO's Distribution System** prior to 27 April 2019.

DPC7.1.3 In addition **Power Generating Module(s)** in construction belonging to **Generators** who had concluded a final and binding contract for the purchase of main generating plant before 17 May 2018 need to comply with the rest of DPC7; they do not need to comply with Engineering Recommendation G99. The **Generator** must notify the **DNO** of the conclusion of this final and binding contract by 17 November 2018.

DPC7.1.4 **Power Generating Modules** commissioned on or after 27 April 2019, or which have been substantially modified after that date, must meet the requirements of Engineering Recommendation G98 or Engineering Recommendation G99 as applicable. Such **Power Generating Modules** do not need to comply with the requirements of the rest of DPC7.

DPC7.1.5 27 April 2019 is the date from which new or substantially modified **Power Generating Modules** must comply with **Assimilated Law** (Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/631 (the European Network Code on Requirements for Connection of Generators)). Compliance with Engineering Recommendations G98 and G99 will ensure compliance with this European Network Code.

DPC7.2 General Requirements

DPC7.2.1 **Embedded Generators** commissioned prior to 27 April 2019 shall comply with the requirements of Item 2, DGD Annex 1 Engineering Recommendation G59/3-4, "Recommendation for the connection of generating plant to the distribution systems of licensed distribution network operators" (or subsequent version thereof).

DPC7.2.2 Every installation or network which includes a **Power Generating Module** operating in parallel with the **DNO's Distribution System** must include an **Isolating Device** capable of disconnecting the whole of the infeed from the **DNO's Distribution System**. This **Isolating Device** will normally be owned by the **Generator**, but may by agreement be owned by the **DNO**.

DPC7.2.3 The **Generator** must grant the **DNO** rights of access to the **Isolating Device** without undue delay and the **DNO** must have the right to isolate the **Generator's** infeed at any time should such disconnection become necessary for safety reasons and in order to comply with statutory obligations. The **Isolating Device** should normally be installed at the **Connection Point**, but may be positioned elsewhere with the **DNO's** agreement.

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DPC7.2.4 Manual synchronising can only be done with the specific agreement of the DNO.

DPC7.3 Provision of Information

Embedded Generators can have a significant effect on the **DNO's Distribution System** and as a result its **Users**. To enable the **DNO** to assess the impact of an **Embedded Power Generating Module** or an **Embedded Transmission System** will have on the **DNO's Distribution System**, the **Embedded Generator** will be required to supply information to the **DNO**.

Embedded Generators shall provide the following minimum information to the **DNO** during the connection application process or otherwise as requested by the **DNO**:-

Relevant Sections:

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| (a) Power Station and site data for all Embedded Generators excluding the OTSO | DPC7.3.1 and Schedule 5a of the DDRC |
| (b) Power Generating Module data for all Embedded Power Generating Module | DPC7.3.2 and Schedule 5b of the DDRC |
| (c) Power Generating Module data for specified types of Embedded Power Generating Modules | DPC7.3.2 and Schedules 5c of the DDRC |
| 5c(i) Synchronous generators | |
| 5c(ii) Fixed speed induction generators | |
| 5c(iii) Double fed induction generators | |
| 5c(iv) Converter connected generators | |
| 5c(v) Transformers | |
| (d) Power Generating Module data for Embedded Medium Power Stations | DPC7.3.3 and Schedules 5c of the DDRC |
| (e) Embedded Transmission System data | DPC7.3.1, DPC7.3.2 and DPC7.3.3 and Schedule 5e of DDRC |

When applying for connection to the **DNO's Distribution System Embedded Generators** shall also refer to DPC5.

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The **DNO** will use the information provided to model the **DNO's Distribution System** and to decide what method of connection will need to be employed and the voltage level to which the connection should be made. If the **DNO** reasonably concludes that the nature of the proposed connection or changes to an existing connection requires more detailed consideration then further information may be requested. It is unlikely that more information than that specified in DPC7.3.1 will be required for **Embedded Generators** who are to be connected at **Low Voltage** and have less than 50kVA in capacity, or connected at other than **Low Voltage** and have less than 300kVA in capacity.

DPC7.3.1 Information Required from Embedded Generators

It will be necessary for each **Embedded Generator** to provide to the **DNO** information on physical and electrical characteristics of the **Power Generating Facility** and site as a whole as set out in Schedules 5a or 5e of the **Distribution Data Registration Code** before entering into an agreement to connect any **Power Generating Module** or an **Embedded Transmission System** onto the **DNO's Distribution System**:-

The information required includes:

- (a) Details of the proposed connection point (geographical and electrical) and connection voltage.
- (b) The number and types of **Power Generating Modules** and the total capacity of the **Power Generating Facility** and auxiliary supplies under various operating conditions.
- (c) Sketches of **System Layout**:

Operation Diagrams showing the electrical circuitry of the existing and proposed main features within the **User's System** and showing as appropriate busbar arrangements, phasing arrangements, earthing arrangements, switching facilities and operating voltages.

- (d) Interface Arrangements

- (i) The means of synchronisation between the **DNO** and **User**;
- (ii) Details of arrangements for connecting with earth that part of the **Embedded Generator's System** directly connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (iii) The means of connection and disconnection which are to be employed.
- (iv) Precautions to be taken to ensure the continuance of safe conditions should any earthed neutral point of the **Embedded Generator's System** operated at **HV** become disconnected from earth.

More or less detailed information than that contained above might need to be provided, subject to the type and size of generation or the point at which connection is to be made to the **DNO's Distribution System**. This information will need to be provided by the **Embedded Generator** at the reasonable request of the **DNO**.

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DPC7.3.2 **Additional Power Generating Module and Plant and Equipment Data Required from Embedded Generators**

The **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** specified in Schedule 5b and Schedule 5c (or Schedule 5e for the **OTSO**) of the **Distribution Data Registration Code** may be requested by the **DNO** from the **User** before entering into an agreement to connect any **Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** onto the **DNO's Distribution System**.

The information specified in Schedule 5b of the **Distribution Data Registration Code** includes generic data for all **Embedded Power Generating Modules**.

The information specified in Schedule 5c of the **Distribution Data Registration Code** includes the more detailed electrical parameters of individual **Power Generating Modules** and associated plant such as transformers, power factor correction equipment. The information required is classified as **Standard Planning Data** and **Detailed Planning Data** for each of the following categories of **Embedded Power Generating Module**:

- (i) Synchronous generators
- (ii) Fixed speed induction generators
- (iii) Doubly fed induction generators
- (iv) Series converter connected generators.
- (v) Transformers

Under certain circumstances either more or less detailed information than that specified above might need to be provided and will be made available by the **Embedded Generator** at the request of the **DNO**.

DPC7.3.3 **Extra Information From Embedded Generators to be Provided to Meet Grid Code Requirements**

DPC 7.3.3(a) The **DNO** has an obligation under PC3.3 of the **Grid Code** to submit certain planning data relating to **Embedded Medium Power Stations** to the **ISOP**. The relevant data requirements of the **Grid Code** are also listed in PC3.3 of the **Grid Code**. It is incumbent on **Embedded Medium Power Stations** to provide this data listed in PC3.3 of the **Grid Code** to the **DNO**.

Where a **Generator** in respect of an **Embedded Power Station** is a party to the **CUSC** this DPC 7.3.3 will not apply.

DPC7.3.3(b) In addition to supplying the **DNO** with details of **Embedded Power Generating Modules** there is a requirement to provide information to the **ISOP** where it has been specifically requested by the **ISOP** in the circumstances provided for under the **Grid Code**.

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DPC7.3.4 Information Provided by the DNO to Users

In accordance with Condition 12 and Condition 25 of its **Distribution Licence** the **DNO** is required to provide certain information to **Users** so that they have the opportunity to identify and evaluate opportunities to connect to the **DNO's Distribution System** as set out in DPC4.5. Comprehensive information on the **DNO's Distribution System** operating at 33kV and above is made available to **Users** through the Long Term Development Statements provided under Condition 25 of the **Distribution Licence**. Schedule 5d of the **Distribution Data Registration Code** is indicative of the type of network data the **DNOs** is required to provide to **Users** for identifying opportunities for connection of generation at voltages below 33kV. On the production of Schedule 5d data for a **User**, the **DNO** will update any relevant data that would otherwise be provided from the Long Term Development Statement.

DPC7.4 Technical Requirements

DPC7.4.1 Power Generating Module Performance Requirements

DPC7.4.1.1 The requirements of this DPC7.4.1 do not apply to **Power Generating Modules** that are designed and installed for infrequent short term parallel operation only.

DPC7.4.1.2 For an **Embedded Power Generating Module**, which does not constitute or contain **BM Units** that are active (ie submitting bid-offer data) in the **Balancing Mechanism**, the electrical parameters required to be achieved at the **Power Generating Module** terminals are defined according to the connection method and will be specified by the **DNO** with the offer for connection. A **Power Generating Module** or **Power Station** must be capable of supplying its **Registered Capacity** within the **System Frequency** range 49.5 to 50.5 Hz. The output power should not be affected by voltage changes in the permitted operating range.

DPC7.4.1.3 These **Frequency** operating range requirements also apply to **Power Generating Modules** in **Embedded Power Stations** already connected on or before 1 August 2010, unless the **Registered Capacity** of the **Embedded Power Station** is below 5 MW.

DPC7.4.1.4 For the avoidance of doubt, the above requirements do not preclude disconnection of **Power Generating Modules** by **Protection** agreed with the **DNO** or when necessary to protect **Plant** or **Apparatus** from being damaged

DPC7.4.1.5 **Embedded Medium Power Stations** additionally have to comply with DPC 7.5.

DPC7.4.2 Control Arrangements

DPC7.4.2.1 The **DNO** will specify in writing if a continuously acting fast response automatic excitation control system is required to control the **Power Generating Module** voltage without instability over the entire operating range of the **Power Generating Module** or **Power Station**. This will be dependent on the size and type of **Power Generating Module** or **Power Station** and the adjacent part of the **DNO's Distribution System** to which it is connected.

DPC7.4.2.2 The **Generator** will notify, and keep notified, the **DNO** of the set points of the control scheme for voltage control or **Power Factor** control as appropriate and which have previously been agreed between the **Generator** and **DNO**. The information to be provided is detailed in Schedule 5a and Schedule 5b.

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DPC7.4.3 Protection Requirements

DPC7.4.3.1 Co-ordinating with Existing Protection

It will be necessary for the **Protection** associated with any **Embedded Power Generating Module** and any **Embedded Transmission System** to co-ordinate with the **Protection** associated with the **DNO's Distribution System** as follows:-

- (a) For any **Power Generating Module** and any **Embedded Transmission System** directly connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** the **Embedded Generator** must meet the target clearance times for fault current interchange with the **DNO's Distribution System** in order to reduce to a minimum the impact on the **DNO's Distribution System** of faults on circuits owned by **Embedded Generators** or on an **Embedded Transmission System**. The **DNO** will ensure that the **DNO Protection** settings meet its own target clearance times.

The target clearance times are measured from fault current inception to arc extinction and will be specified by the **DNO** to meet the requirements of the relevant part of the **Distribution System**.

- (b) The settings of any **Protection** controlling a circuit breaker or the operating values of any automatic switching device at any point of connection with the **DNO's Distribution System**, as well as the **User's** maintenance and testing regime, shall be agreed between the **DNO** and the **User** in writing during the connection consultation process.

The **Protection** settings or operating values shall not be changed without the express agreement of the **DNO**.

- (c) It will be necessary for the **Power Generating Module Protection** and **Embedded Transmission System Protection** to co-ordinate with any auto-reclose policy specified by the **DNO**. In particular the **Power Generating Module Protection** should detect a loss of mains situation and disconnect the **Power Generating Module** in a time shorter than any auto reclose dead time. This should include an allowance for circuit breaker operation and generally a minimum of 0.5s should be allowed for this. For pole mounted auto-reclosers often set with a dead time of 1s, this implies a loss of mains response time of 0.5s. Similar response time is expected from under and over voltage relays.

DPC7.4.3.2 Specific Protection Required for Embedded Power Generating Modules

In addition to any **Protection** installed by the **Generator** to meet his own requirements and statutory obligations on him, the **Generator** must install **Protection** to achieve the following objectives:

- i. For all **Power Generating Modules**:
 - a. To disconnect the **Power Generating Module** from the **System** when a **System** abnormality occurs that results in an unacceptable deviation of the **Frequency** or voltage at the **Connection Point**;
 - b. To ensure the automatic disconnection of the **Power Generating Module**, or where there is constant supervision of an installation, the operation of an alarm with an audio and visual indication, in the event of any failure of supplies to the protective equipment that would inhibit its correct operation;

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- ii. For polyphase **Power Generating Modules**
 - a. To inhibit connection of **Power Generating Modules** to the **System** unless all phases of the **DNO's Distribution System** are present and within the agreed ranges of **Protection** settings;
 - b. To disconnect the **Power Generating Module** from the **System** in the event of the loss of one or more phases of the **DNO's Distribution System**;
- iii. For single phase **Power Generating Modules**
 - a. To inhibit connection of **Power Generating Modules** to the **System** unless that phase of the **DNO's Distribution System** is present and within the agreed ranges of **Protection** settings;
 - b. To disconnect the **Power Generating Module** from the **System** in the event of the loss of that phase of the **DNO's Distribution System**;

DPC7.4.3.3 Suitable **Protection** arrangements and settings will depend upon the particular **Generator's** installation and the requirements of the **DNO's Distribution System**. These individual requirements must be ascertained in discussions with the **DNO**. To achieve the objectives above, the **Protection** must include the detection of:

- a. Over Voltage (O/V)
- b. Under Voltage (U/V)
- c. Over **Frequency** (O/F)
- d. Under **Frequency** (U/F)
- e. Loss of Mains (LoM)

There are different **Protection** settings dependent upon the **System** voltage at which the **Power Generating Module** is connected (LV or HV).

Protection settings for a larger **Power Stations** and any connection at 132kV must be considered on an individual basis and be consistent with **Grid Code** requirements. Loss of Mains protection will only be permitted at these sites if sanctioned by the **ISOP**.

For the purposes of DPC 7.4.3 the date of commissioning of a **Power Generating Module** is the date on which the tests required by DPC 7.4.9 have been complete to the **DNO's** satisfaction.

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DPC7.4.3.4 The required **Protection** settings that will generally be applied for long term parallel operation are given in EREC G59 paragraph 10.5.7.1.

DPC7.4.3.5 The under **Frequency** and over **Frequency Protection** settings set out in EREC G59 paragraph 10.5.7.1 also apply to **Power Generating Modules** in an **Embedded Power Station** of **Registered Capacity** of less than 50MW and at or above 5 MW already existing on or before 1 August 2010, except where single stage **Frequency Protection** relays are used, in which case the following settings apply.

Protection Function	Setting	Time
U/F	47.5Hz	0.5 s
O/F	51.5Hz	0.5 s

In exceptional circumstances **Generators** have the option to agree alternative settings with the **DNO** if there are valid justifications in that the **Power Generating Module** may become unstable or suffer damage with the settings specified above. The agreed settings should be recorded in the **Connection Agreement**.

DPC7.4.4 **Fault Ride Through and Phase Voltage Unbalance**

Any **Power Generating Module** or **Power Station** connected to the **DNO’s Distribution System**, where it has been agreed between the **DNO** and the **Generator** that the **Generator’s Power Station** will contribute to the **DNO’s Distribution System** security, may be required to withstand, without tripping, the effects of a close up three phase fault and the **Phase (Voltage) Unbalance** imposed during the clearance of a close-up phase-to-phase fault, in both cases cleared by the **DNO’s** main protection. The **DNO** will advise the **Embedded Generator** in each case of the likely tripping time of the **DNO’s** protection, and for phase-phase faults, the likely value of **Phase (Voltage) Unbalance** during the fault clearance time.

In the case of phase to phase faults on the **DNO’s** system that are cleared by **System back-up Protection** which will be within the **Plant** short time rating on the **DNO’s Distribution System** the **DNO**, on request during the **Connection Agreement** process, will advise the **Embedded Generator** of the expected **Phase Voltage Unbalance**.

DPC7.4.5 **System Stability**

DPC7.4.5.1 The following requirements for system design within this DPC 7.4.5 will generally be applied by the **DNO** to any **Power Station** connected at 33kV and above. However there will be cases where the specific network conditions, including existing connected any **Power Station**, requires the **DNO** to apply these considerations at lower voltages.

DPC7.4.5.2 With the **System** in its normal operating state, it is desirable that all **Power Generating Modules** remain connected and stable for any of the following credible fault outages:

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- (a) any one single circuit overhead line, transformer feeder or cable circuit, independent of length,
- (b) any one transformer or reactor,
- (c) any single section of busbar at or nearest the point of connection where busbar protection with a total clearance time of less than 200ms is installed,
- (d) if demand is to be secured under a second circuit outage as required by EREC P2/8, fault outages (a) or (b), overlapping with any pre-existing first circuit outage, usually for maintenance purposes. In this case the combination of circuit outages considered should be that causing the most onerous conditions for **System Stability**, taking account of the slowest combination of main protection, circuit breaker operating times and strength of the connections to the system remaining after the faulty circuit or circuits have been disconnected.

DPC7.4.5.3 Any **Power Generating Module** that causes the **System** to become unstable under fault conditions must be rapidly disconnected to reduce the risk of **Plant** damage and disturbance to the **System**.

DPC7.4.6 **Neutral Earthing**

The winding configuration and method of earthing connection shall be agreed with the **DNO**.

In addition, where the **Generator's Connection Point** is at **Low Voltage** the following shall apply:

- (a) Where an earthing terminal is provided by the **DNO** it may be used by a **Generator** for earthing the **Power Generating Module**, provided the **DNO** earth connection is of adequate capacity. If the **Power Generating Module** is intended to operate independently of the **DNO's** supply, the **Power Generating Module** must include an earthing system which does not rely upon the **DNO's** earthing terminal. Where use of the **DNO's** earthing terminal is retained, it must be connected to the **Power Generating Module** earthing system by means of a conductor at least equivalent in size to that required to connect the **DNO's** earthing terminal to the installation.
- (b) Where the **Power Generating Module** may be operated as a switched alternative only to the **DNO's System**, the **Generator** shall provide an independent earth electrode.
- (c) Where it is intended to operate in parallel with the **DNO's Low Voltage System** with the star point connected to the neutral and/or earthing system, precautions will need to be taken to limit the effects of circulating harmonic currents. It is permissible to insert an impedance in the supply neutral of the **Power Generating Module** for this purpose, for those periods when it is paralleled with the **DNO's System**. However, if the **Power Generating Module** is operating in isolation from the **DNO's Distribution System** it will be necessary to have the **Power Generating Module** directly earthed.
- (d) Where the **Power Generating Module** is designed to operate independently from the **DNO's Distribution System** the switchgear that is used to separate the two **Systems** shall break all four poles (3 phases and neutral). This prevents any phase or neutral current, produced by the **Power Generating Module**, from flowing into the **DNO's Distribution System** when it operates as a switched alternative only supply.

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DPC7.4.7 Frequency Sensitive Relays

It is conceivable that a part of the **DNO's Distribution System**, to which **Embedded Generators** are connected can, during emergency conditions, become detached from the rest of the **System**. It will be necessary for the **DNO** to decide, dependent on local network conditions, if it is desirable for the **Embedded Generators** to continue to generate onto the islanded **DNO's Distribution System**.

If no facilities exist for the subsequent **Re-Synchronisation** with the rest of the **DNO's Distribution System** then the **Embedded Generator** will under **DNO** instruction, ensure that the **Power Generating Module** and/or **Embedded Transmission System** is disconnected for **Re-Synchronisation**.

DPC7.4.8 Commissioning Tests

DPC7.4.8.1 Where **Power Generating Module** or an **Embedded Transmission System** requires connection to the **DNO's Distribution System** in advance of the commissioning date, for the purposes of testing, the **Embedded Generator** must comply with the requirements of the **Connection Agreement**. The **Embedded Generator** shall provide the **DNO** with a commissioning programme, approved by the **DNO** if reasonable in the circumstances, to allow commissioning tests to be co-ordinated.

DPC7.4.8.2 The **Generator** will demonstrate all the commissioning tests performed on that **Generator's Power Generating Module** in order to discharge the requirements of the **Distribution Code** and Annex 1, item 2 (ER G59/3-7 or subsequent amendment). In general the **DNO** will witness these tests for **Power Generating Modules** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** at **HV**. For **Power Generating Modules** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** at **Low Voltage** it is expected that the **DNO** will not witness the commissioning tests in the majority of cases.

DPC7.5 Technical Requirements for Medium Power Stations

DPC7.5.1 Where a **Generator** in respect of an **Embedded Power Station** is a party to the **CUSC** this DPC 7.5 will not apply.

DPC7.5.2 In addition to the requirements in DPC7.4, the **DNO** has an obligation under CC 3.3 of the **Grid Code** to ensure that all relevant **Grid Code** Connection Condition requirements are met by **Medium Power Stations**. These requirements are summarised in CC 3.4 of the **Grid Code**. It is incumbent on **Medium Power Stations** to comply with the relevant **Grid Code** requirements listed in CC3.4 of the **Grid Code** as part of compliance with this **Distribution Code**. Note that a **DC Converter** installation of capacity greater than 50MW and less than 100MW is considered to be a **Medium Power Station** for the purposes of **Grid Code** compliance in this **Distribution Code**.

DPC7.5.3 Where data is required by the **ISOP** from **Medium Power Stations**, nothing in the **Grid Code** or **Distribution Code** precludes the **Generator** from providing the information directly to the **ISOP** in accordance with **Grid Code** requirements. However, a copy of the information should always be provided in parallel to the **DNO**.

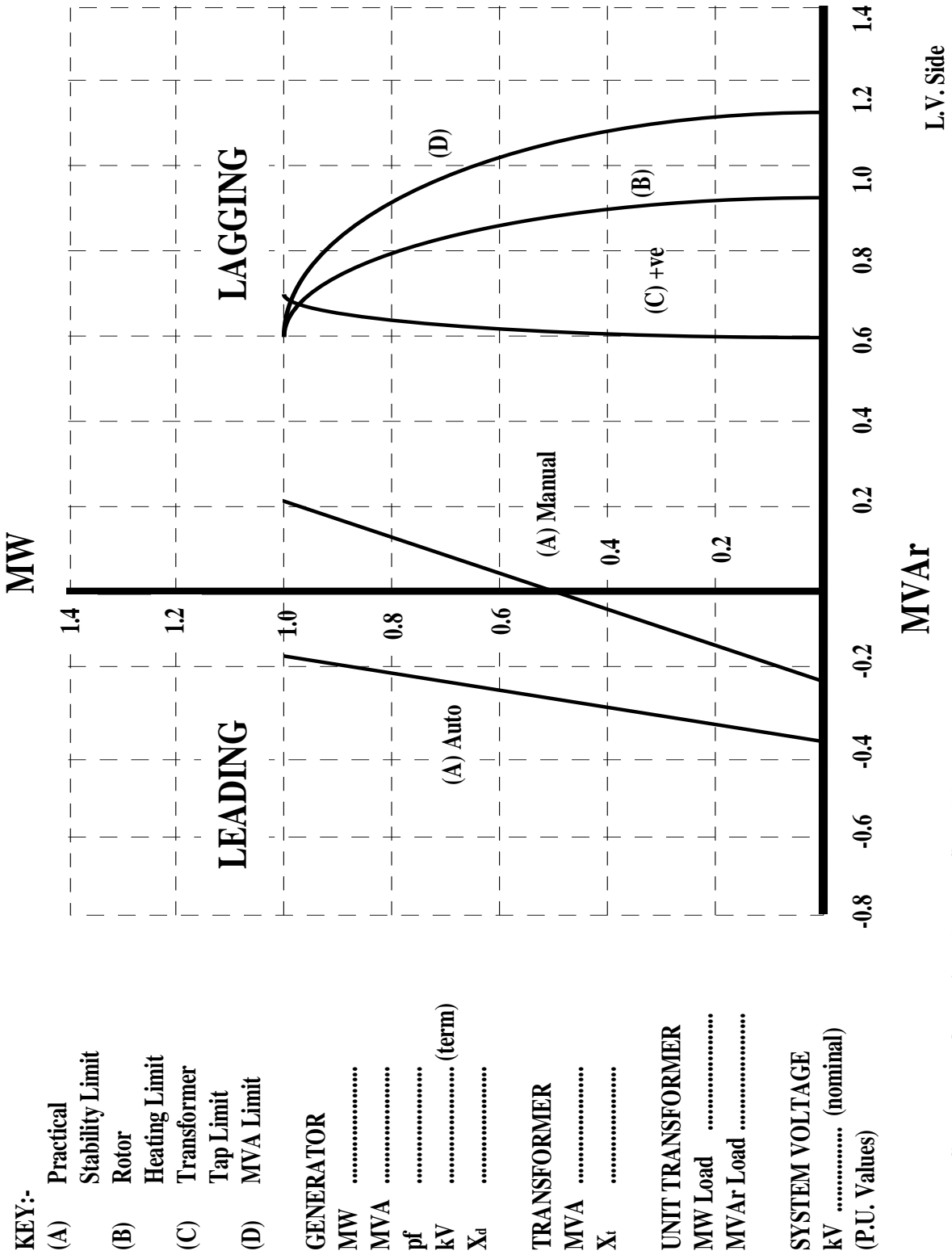
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DPC7.5.4 Grid Code Connection Conditions Compliance

- DPC7.5.4.1 The technical designs and parameters of the **Embedded Medium Power Stations** will comply with the relevant Connection Conditions of the **Grid Code**. A statement to this effect, stating compliance with OC5.8 of the **Grid Code** is required to be presented to the **DNO**, for onward transmission to the **ISOP**, before commissioning of the **Power Station**. Note that the statement might need to be resubmitted post commissioning when assumed values etc have been confirmed.
- DPC7.5.4.2 Should the **Generator** make any material change to such designs or parameters as will have any effect on the statement of compliance referred to in DPC7.5.4.1, the **Generator** must notify the change to the **DNO**, as soon as reasonably practicable, who will in turn notify the **ISOP**.
- DPC7.5.4.3 Tests to ensure **Grid Code** compliance may be specified by the **ISOP** in accordance with the **Grid Code**. It is the **Generator's** responsibility to carry out these tests.
- DPC7.5.4.4 Where the **ISOP** can reasonably demonstrate that for **Total System** stability issues the **Medium Power Station** should be fitted with a power system stabiliser, the **ISOP** will notify the **DNO** who will then require it to be fitted for compliance with this DPC7.5.4.4.

FIGURE 1

GENERATOR PERFORMANCE CHART



KEY:-

- (A) Practical Stability Limit
- (B) Rotor Heating Limit
- (C) Transformer Tap Limit
- (D) MVA Limit

GENERATOR

- MW
- MVA
- pf
- kV (term)
- X_d

TRANSFORMER

- MVA
- X_t

UNIT TRANSFORMER

- MW Load
- MVar Load

SYSTEM VOLTAGE

- kV (nominal)
- (P.U. Values)

Comments:- Operating chart confirmed by users.

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DPC8 TRANSFER OF PLANNING DATA

DPC8.1 Introduction

DPC8.1.1 **Distribution Planning and Connection Code DPC8** details information to be exchanged between the **DNO** and **Users** that are connected at **High Voltage** including **Embedded Generators** and **Other Authorised Distributors**.

It includes data that is necessary in order for the **DNO's Distribution System** to be developed in an efficient, co-ordinated and economic manner, and to enable the **DNO** to comply with the conditions contained in its **Distribution Licence**.

DPC8.2 Planning Information to be Provided by Users

DPC8.2.1 Prospective and existing **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System** must provide sufficient planning data/information as can reasonably be made available, when requested by the **DNO** from time to time to enable the **DNO** to comply with the requirements under its **Distribution Licence**. For those **Users** from whom **Demand** forecasts are required under **DOC1**, there will be a requirement to prepare an annual submission to the **DNO**. This submission, which is to be in accordance with **DOC1**, should include a development plan covering at least the subsequent 3 years and, where the **User** holds planning data or information relating to subsequent years up to 7 years ahead that data or information, including changes either increasing or decreasing in **Demand**, transfer requirements or generating capacity as appropriate.

DPC8.2.2 In addition to periodic updates of planning information a **User** should give adequate notice of any significant changes to the **User's System** or operating regime to enable the **DNO** to prepare its development plan, budget for, and implement any necessary **System** modifications. Such information should include any changes either increasing or decreasing in **Demand**, transfer requirements or generating capacity as appropriate. In the event of unplanned changes in a **User's System** or operating regime a **User** shall notify the **DNO** as soon as is practically possible to ensure any contingency measures, as necessary, can be implemented by the **DNO**.

DPC8.2.3 The **DNO** has an obligation under the **CUSC** to submit certain planning data/information relating to **Existing Offshore Generators** to the **ISOP**. Any **Existing Offshore Generators** will be required to cooperate with the **DNO** to contribute to the full and timely completion of the **Offshore Transmission Implementation Plan**.

DPC8.3 Information to be Provided to Users

DPC8.3.1 Where the **DNO** has received from a **User** any information or data under DPC8.3 or where the **DNO** proposes to make modifications to the **DNO's Distribution System** which, in either case, in the reasonable opinion of the **DNO**, may have an impact upon the **System** of any other **User**, the **DNO** will notify that **User** of the proposals subject to any constraints relating to the timing of release of information or confidentiality provisions.

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DPC8.3.2 On request from a **User**, the **DNO** will notify the **User** of all the data submitted by and relating to that **User** that the **DNO** is holding and using for **Distribution Code** purposes.

DPC8.4 Reactive Compensation Plant

DPC8.4.1 A **User** shall provide the **DNO** with information on any reactive compensation **Plant** directly or indirectly connected to a **DNO's Distribution System**, other than at **Low Voltage**, including:-

- (a) The MVA_r capacitive or inductive rating of the **Equipment** and operating range if variable;
- (b) Details of any automatic control logic such that the operating characteristics can be determined; and
- (c) The point of connection to the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DPC8.5 Lumped Network Susceptance

DPC8.5.1 Under certain circumstances it will be necessary for the **User** to provide, at the request of the **DNO**, details of the equivalent lumped network susceptance at **Normal Frequency** of the **User's System** at nominal **Frequency** referred back to the connection with the **DNO's Distribution System**. This should include any shunt reactors which are an integrated part of a cable system and which are not normally in or out of service independent of the cable (ie they are regarded as part of the cable).

DPC8.5.2 It should not include:-

- (a) Independently switched reactive compensation plant connected to the **User's System** (covered in DPC8.4.1); or
- (b) Any susceptance of the **User's System** inherent in the **Reactive Power Demand**.

DPC8.6 Short Circuit Infeed to the DNO's Distribution System

DPC8.6.1 Information shall be exchanged between the **DNO** and the **User** on fault infeed levels at the point of connection with the **DNO's Distribution System** in the form of:-

- (a) The maximum and minimum 3-phase symmetrical and phase earth short circuit infeed.
- (b) The X/R ratio under short circuit conditions.
- (c) In the case of interconnected **Systems**, adequate equivalent network information.

DPC8.7 Interconnection Impedance

DPC8.7.1 For **User** interconnections that operate in parallel with the **DNO's Distribution System** details of the interconnection impedance shall be exchanged between the **DNO** and the **User**. This information shall include an equivalent single impedance (resistance, reactance and shunt susceptance) of the parallel **User** or **DNO's Distribution System**.

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DPC8.8 Demand Transfer Capability

DPC8.8.1 Information shall be exchanged on **Demand** transfer capability where the same **Demand** may be supplied from alternative **DNO** or **User** points of supply. This shall include the proportion of **Demand** normally fed from each point of supply and the arrangements (manual or automatic) for transfer under planned/fault outage conditions.

DPC8.9 Other Authorised Distributor's Distribution System Data

DPC8.9.1 **Other Authorised Distributors** shall provide the **DNO** with detailed data relating to the interface between their **Distribution System** and that of the **DNO**, covering circuit parameters, switchgear and **Protection** arrangements of equipment directly connected to or affecting the **Distribution System** to enable the **DNO** to assess any implications associated with these points of connection. Reciprocal arrangements will apply between the **DNO** and its **Users**.

DPC8.10 Transient Overvoltage Effects

DPC8.10.1 For **User's** busbars connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** sufficient details may need to be exchanged with respect to the **User/DNO Ownership Boundary** to enable an assessment, where necessary, of transient overvoltage effects to be made. This information may relate to physical and electrical layouts, parameters, specifications and **Protection** details.

DPC8.11 Distribution Restoration Zone Related Information

DPC8.11.1 Information identified under this DPC8.11 must be submitted by **Restoration Contractors** to the **DNO** as part of the establishment of a **DRZP**, as described in DOC9.4.6, and subsequently annually in week 20.

DPC8.11.2 This information may also be requested by the **DNO** during the activation and operation of a **Distribution Restoration Zone** and shall be provided by **Restoration Contractors** where reasonably practicable.

DPC8.11.3 The following information must be supplied by each **Restoration Contractor** in relation to each relevant item of **Plant** which is identified in the **DRZP**:

- (a) From each **Anchor Generator** and **Top Up Restoration Contractor** the estimated time by when each item of relevant **Equipment** identified in the **DRZP** can be **Synchronised** in response to an instruction following a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**. The estimate should reflect the **Anchor Generator's** and **Top Up Restoration Contractor's** ability to **Re-Synchronise** all their **Equipment**, assuming all were running immediately prior to the **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** and, where appropriate, at time intervals of being **Shutdown** 12 hours, 24 hours, 36 hours, 48 hours and 72 hours before the **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**. Additionally, the estimate should highlight any specific issues (ie those that would affect the time at which the **Anchor Power Generating Module** and **Restoration Contractor's Plant** could be **Synchronised**) that may arise, as time progresses without external supplies being restored.
- (b) The **Block Loading Capability** of the relevant **Equipment** shall be provided in either graphical or tabular format showing the estimated **Block**

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Loading Capability from 0MW to the **Equipment's Registered Capacity** and the time between each incremental step. Any particular **Active Power** loading points at which the **Restoration Contractors' Equipment** should be operated until further changes in output can be accommodated, and the time between those changes, should also be identified. The data of the relevant **Equipment** should be provided for the condition of the **Equipment** which was running immediately prior to the **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** and, where appropriate, at time intervals of being **Shutdown** 12 hours, 24 hours, 36 hours, 48 hours and 72 hours before the **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**.

The **Block Loading Capability** assessment should be done against a **Frequency** variation of 47.5Hz – 52.0Hz, assuming an initial 50Hz **Frequency** (or other such **Frequency** range as may be agreed).

DPC8.12 **More Detailed Information**

In certain circumstances more detailed information may be needed and shall be provided upon the reasonable request of the **DNO**.

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DPC9 DEMAND SIDE SERVICES

DPC9.1 Scope

DPC9.1.1 This DPC9 applies to **Demand Services Providers** and **Customers** (both in their own right and acting as **Demand Services Providers**) in relation to the **Demand Units** that are providing any of the demand side services defined in DPC9.2. For the avoidance of doubt it does not apply to **Customers’** installations and **Equipment** in general.

DPC9.2 Demand Side Service Definitions

DPC9.2.1 **Active Power** control – a service where a **Demand Services Provider** makes available the modulation by the **DNO** of **Demand** within one or more **Customers’ Demand Facilities**.

DPC9.2.2 **Reactive Power** control – a service where a **Demand Services Provider** makes available the modulation by the **DNO** of one or more **Customers’ Reactive Power** production or consumption within one or more **Customers’ Demand Facilities**.

DPC9.3 Technical Requirements

DPC9.3.1 Voltage Ranges

DPC9.3.1.1 Any **Demand Unit** must be able to remain connected and operating normally when the supply voltage is within the range of 0.90pu to 1.10pu of nominal declared voltage.

DPC9.3.2 Frequency Ranges

DPC9.3.2.1 The **System Frequency** could rise to 52Hz or fall to 47Hz in exceptional circumstances. Any **Demand Unit** must be able to remain connected and operating normally in accordance with the following table:

<u>Frequency Range</u>	<u>Requirement</u>
47.0Hz - 47.5Hz	Operation for a period of at least 20 seconds is required each time the Frequency is below 47.5Hz.
47.5Hz - 49.0Hz	Operation for a period of at least 90 minutes is required each time the Frequency is below 49.0Hz.
49.0Hz – 51.0Hz	Continuous operation is required.
51.0Hz - 51.5Hz	Operation for a period of at least 90 minutes is required each time the Frequency is above 51.0Hz.

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Operation for a period of at least 15 minutes is required each time the **Frequency** is above 51.5Hz.

DPC9.3.2.2 **Demand Units** must remain connected and operating normally for rates of change of frequency up to 1 Hzs⁻¹ measured over 500ms.

DPC9.3.3 Modulation

DPC9.3.3.1 A **Demand Unit** or **Demand Units** must be capable controlling its **Demand** or **Reactive Power** production or consumption over the range specified in any contract with the **DNO**.

DPC9.3.3.2 **Demand Units** must be equipped to receive modulation instructions either directly, or indirectly via a **Demand Services Provider**, from the **DNO**.

- a) **DNOs** currently are developing active network management approaches and there is no common standard for communication protocols.
- b) The **DNO** will provide details of the method to be employed between the **DNO** and the **Demand Services Provider**. Protocols currently in use between **DNOs** and **Demand Services Providers** include simple current loop; DNP3; IEC 61850.
- c) The **DNO** will agree with the **Demand Services Provider** the protocol to be used.
- d) By default if nothing is specified by the **DNO** then the interface will take the form of a simple binary output that can be operated by a simple switch or contactor. When the switch is closed the **Demand Unit** or **Demand Facility** can operate normally. When the switch is opened the **Demand Unit** will modulate its **Demand** (**Active Power** consumption or **Reactive Power** production or consumption) as required by the contract. The signal from the **Demand Unit** that is being switched can be either AC (maximum value 240 V) or DC (maximum value 110 V).

DPC9.3.3.3 The **DNO** will publish the standard response times it expects for the services it wishes to contract for. Having received the signal or command from the **DNO** the **Demand Unit** will modulate its behaviour to the full extent of the contract within the standard response time, unless agreed otherwise with the **DNO**. In the absence of a specific published **DNO** requirement the response time will be 5 minutes.

DPC9.3.3.4 The modulated behaviour will be maintained for the duration of the signal to do so from the **DNO** unless otherwise agreed with the **DNO**.

DPC9.3.3.5 If the modulation, or any part of it, ceases to be fully available for operation at any time, either temporarily or permanently, unless otherwise agreed with the **DNO** the **Demand Service Provider** will notify the **DNO** without delay, and no more than 12 hours after the modulation ceases to be fully available.

DPC9.3.3.6 The **DNO** will advise the **Demand Services Provider** what operational monitoring and/or metering is required. For **Demand Facilities** connected at **HV** the **DNO** in

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some cases will install the **DNO's** own telemetry which can form part of the necessary operational monitoring.

DPC9.4 Operational Notification

DPC9.4.1 As part of the contractual arrangements for the provision of demand side services to the **DNO**, the **Demand Services Provider** must provide the following information one month, or other such time as agreed with **DNO**, in advance of the commencement of the contracted demand side services:

- a) Full contact details of the **Demand Services Provider**;
- b) Full contact details of the **Demand Facility** owner (if different from (a));
- c) The exact address and location of the **Demand Facility**;
- d) The capacity of the modulated behaviour of the **Demand Unit** expressed in kW or kVAr (including production or consumption) as appropriate;
- e) Confirmation that the **Demand Unit** complies with the technical and modulation requirements of DPC9.3;
- f) The above information must be submitted for each and every **Demand Unit**.

DPC9.4.2 Unless agreed otherwise with the **DNO** the above information, together with the statement of compliance required by DPC9.5.4 below shall be submitted by the **Demand Services Provider** on the proforma provided by the **DNO** for that purpose.

DPC9.4.3 Unless agreed otherwise with the **DNO** the **Demand Services Provider** must notify the **DNO** of any planned change or modification to the capabilities of the **Demand Unit** at least one month in advance.

DPC9.4.4 Unless otherwise agreed with the **DNO** the **Demand Services Provider** must notify the **DNO** of any unplanned incident or failure of a **Demand Unit** immediately, which means within the same day.

DPC9.4.5 In the case of an aggregated service, any unplanned incident or failure of the contracted service should be notified to the **DNO** immediately, which means within the same day.

DPC9.4.6 For any **Demand Facility** connected at **HV**, the demand side services cannot be called upon until the **DNO** has issued a final operational notice to the **Customer** responsible for the **Demand Facility**. The **DNO** will issue the final operational notice to the customer on receipt of the complete information required in DPC9.4.1. The **DNO** will recognise practical difficulties in completing all appropriate tests for confirmation of compliance in specific situations and will not unreasonably withhold the issuing of the final operation notification.

DPC9.5 Compliance

DPC9.5.1 The **Demand Services Provider** is wholly responsible for the compliance of the **Customer's Demand Units** with the requirements of this DPC9 and for the conduct of any tests necessary to demonstrate compliance.

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- DPC9.5.2 The **Demand Services Provider** must demonstrate the modulation of behaviour of the **Demand Units** on receipt of the appropriate signal (or simulated sign) from the **DNO**. Where appropriate such tests can be undertaken off site, for example by the manufacturer.
- DPC9.5.3 To the extent that the **Demand Services Provider** requires the **DNO** to assist or participate in compliance testing the **DNO** will co-operate to achieve an agreed timetable.
- DPC9.5.4 The **Demand Services Provider** will supply to the **DNO** a statement of compliance detailing how compliance with the relevant parts of DPC9 has been demonstrated. The statement can include **Manufacturers' Information** to support the demonstration of compliance.
- DPC9.5.5 The **DNO** may require the **Demand Services Provider** to repeat compliance tests in accordance with a plan, or following any modification or failure of the **Demand Unit** to perform as required.

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DOC1 DEMAND FORECASTS

DOC1.1 Introduction

DOC1.1.1 In order for the **DNO** to operate the **DNO's Distribution System** efficiently and to ensure maximum **System** security and **System Stability**, there is a need for those **Users** specified in DOC1.3 to provide loading and generation output information to the **DNO**.

DOC1.1.2 The **Grid Code** specifies the **ISOP's** requirements for **Demand** forecasting for **Power Generating Modules** which constitute or contain **BM Units** which are active (ie submitting bid-offer data) in the **Balancing Mechanism**. This **Distribution Operating Code** DOC1 specifies the information to be provided by other **Power Generating Modules** and all **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System** specified in DOC1.3 below.

DOC1.1.3 This **Demand** forecasting information is required to enable the **DNO** to maintain the integrity of the **DNO's Distribution System**. The **Licensee** under its **Distribution Licence** has an obligation under the **Grid Code** to provide **Demand** forecast information to the **ISOP** in order that generation output can be matched with **Demand**. The information, required to be provided by **Users** (specified in DOC1.3 below) under this **Distribution Operating Code**, will enable the **Licensee** to comply with these requirements of the **Grid Code**.

DOC1.1.4 Where **Demand** data is required from the **User**, this means the MW **Demand** of electricity at the **DNO** point of supply to the **User**. The **DNO** may, in certain cases, specify that the **Demand** data shall include the MVAR **Demand**.

DOC1.1.5 The information to be provided to the **DNO** shall be in writing as specified in DGD2 (vi).

DOC1.1.6 In this **Distribution Operating Code** Year 0 means the current calendar year at any time, Year 1 means the next calendar year at any time, Year 2 means the calendar year after Year 1, etc.

DOC1.1.7 References in this **Distribution Operating Code** to data to be supplied on a half-hourly basis refers to it being supplied for each period of 30 minutes ending on the hour and half-hour in each day.

DOC1.2 Objectives

The objectives of this Distribution Operating Code DOC1 are to:-

- (a) Set out the **Demand** forecast and **Embedded** or **Embedded Transmission System** output information required to be provided by **Users** to enable the **DNO** to operate the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (b) Specify the information required to be provided by **Users** to the **DNO** to enable it to comply with its obligations under the **Grid Code**.

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DOC1.3 Scope

This **Distribution Operating Code** applies to the following **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution Systems** which are connected at **HV**:-

- (a) **Customers** with a **Demand** greater than 5 MW.
- (b) **Embedded Generators** whose output is greater than 1MW where the **DNO** reasonably considers it appropriate.
- (c) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (d) **Suppliers**, at the request of the **DNO**, on behalf of their **Customers**.

DOC1.4 Information Flow and Co-ordination

DOC1.4.1 Demand Forecast Information

The **DNO** will co-ordinate all **Demand** forecast information for each **Grid Supply Point** to meet the requirements of the **Grid Code**. The **DNO** will aggregate forecast information provided by **Users**, where appropriate, and provide forecast information to the **ISOP** where the **Demand**, or change in **Demand**, is equal to or greater than the **Demand Control Notification Level** at any **DNO Connection Point**.

DOC1.4.2 Generation Output Information

Information relating to **Power Generating Modules Embedded** in the **DNO's Distribution System** or in the network of an **Other Authorised Distributor** or **any Embedded Transmission System** shall, where specified be provided to the **DNO** in writing. A **Customer With Own Generation** may be required to furnish such information should the **DNO** reasonably consider that it would affect its **Demand** forecasts.

DOC1.4.3 Information to be Provided by the DNO

Where reference is made to "as specified by the **DNO**" or "the **National Electricity Transmission System** days or times of **Peak Demand** or minimum **Demand**", the **DNO** will provide each **User**, from whom **Demand** forecasts are required, with such information.

DOC1.5 Demand Forecast Data

DOC1.5.1 Planning Periods

Information shall be supplied by **Users** to the **DNO** for the following rolling timescales is required by the **DNO**:-

- (a) Operational Planning Phase – next three years ahead.
- (b) Programming Phase – 24 hours to 8 weeks ahead.
- (c) Control Phase – 0 to 24 hours ahead.

The information supplied will be as specified below and as set out in the Schedules of the **Distribution Data Registration Code**.

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DOC1.5.2 Operational Planning Phase (next 3 years ahead)

DOC1.5.2.1 The information required to be provided to the **DNO** during the **Operational Planning Phase** is specified in Appendix 1 of this **Distribution Operating Code**, DOC1.

DOC1.5.2.2 The information shall be provided to the **DNO** by Calendar week 35 each year.

DOC1.5.3 Programming Phase (24 hours to 8 weeks ahead inclusive)

DOC1.5.3.1 The information required to be provided by the **User** to the **DNO** during the **Programming Phase** is specified in Appendix 2 of this **Distribution Operating Code**, DOC1.

DOC1.5.3.2 For the period 2 to 8 weeks ahead the information shall be supplied to the **DNO** by 1600 hours each Friday.

DOC1.5.3.3 For the period 2 to 13 days ahead the information shall be updated and supplied to the **DNO** by 0900 hours each Wednesday.

DOC1.5.3.4 The **DNO** may require the information specified in Appendices 1 and 2 of this **Distribution Operating Code** to be updated if it reasonably considers it necessary and to be supplied to the **DNO** by 0800 hours each day (or such other time as specified by the **DNO** from time to time) for the next day (except that it may be for the next 3 days on Fridays and 2 days on Saturdays) and may be longer (as specified by the **DNO** at least one week in advance) to cover holiday periods.

DOC1.5.4 Control Phase (0 to 24 hours ahead)

The following information shall be supplied to the **DNO** at reasonable times to be specified by the **DNO** for the unexpired period covered by the **Control Phase**:-

- (a) Details of any differences of greater than 5MW from the schedules of operation of any **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** on a half hourly basis which were supplied under DOC1.5.3.3;
- (b) Details from **Suppliers** of any differences of the amount and duration of their proposed use of **Customer Demand Control** aggregated to 5MW or more (averaged over any half-hour period) on a half-hourly basis which were supplied under DOC1.5.3.4;
- (c) Details from each **User** connected to the **Distribution System** of any change in aggregated **Demand** at the point of supply of greater than 5MW of the **Demand**.

DOC1.5.5 Post Control Phase

The following shall be supplied to the **DNO** by 0300 hours each day:-

- (a) Details of half-hour **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** output sent out to the **DNO's Distribution System** by **Embedded** or any **Embedded Transmission System** where the **DNO** reasonably considers it appropriate during the previous day on a half-hourly basis.
- (b) **Suppliers**, and **Other Authorised Distributor** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** will provide details of the amount and duration of

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Demand Control at the **DNO Connection Point** aggregated to 5MW or more (averaged over any half-hour) which was implemented during the previous **Operational Day**.

DOC1.6 Forecast Factors

DOC1.6.1 The following factors will be taken into account by the **DNO** and **Users** when conducting **Demand** forecasts in the **Operational Planning Phase**:-

- (a) Historic **Demand** data and trends.
- (b) Weather forecasts (responsibility for weather correction of **User's Demand** rests with the **User**.)
- (c) Incidence of major events or activities.
- (d) **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** Schedules.
- (e) **Demand** transfers.
- (f) Interconnection with adjacent **Other Authorised Distributors**.
- (g) **Demand Control** proposed to be operated by **Suppliers**.
- (h) Any other factor reasonably considered necessary.

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Demand Forecasts Operational Planning Phase (3 years ahead)

EACH CALENDAR YEAR BY WEEK 35:

For each of the next 3 years forecast information for:

- (a) Half-hour **Active Power** and **Power Factor** (or **Reactive Power**) at **Annual ACS Conditions** for the specified time of the annual peak half-hour at the associated **Grid Supply Points** and at the specified time of the **National Electricity Transmission System Peak Demand**.
- (b) Half-hour **Active Power** and **Power Factor** (or **Reactive Power**) at **Average Conditions** at the specified half-hour of the **National Electricity Transmission System** minimum **Demand**.
- (c) Half-hour **Active Power** output of **Embedded Power Generating Module** or any **Embedded Transmission System** at the specified half-hour of the **National Electricity Transmission System Demand**.

In addition, where the loading or the generation output of a **User** may have a particular impact on the security or stability of the **System** then the **DNO** may on request require the following information from a **User**.

- (a) **Weekly ACS Conditions** and **Average Conditions Active** and **Reactive Power Demand** at the time of the specified **National Electricity Transmission System Peak Demand** each week together with forecasts of **Demand** to be met and relieved by **Embedded Power Generating Module** and planned **Demand Control** by other **Users**.
- (b) **Weekly ACS Conditions Active** and **Reactive Power Demand** at the time of the specified **Grid Supply Point Peak Demand** each week.

This additional information will, where requested by the **DNO**, be updated throughout the current year (Year 0) in the **Programming Phase**, the times to be notified by the **DNO** where this is necessary.

Where reference is made to “specified” or “**National Electricity Transmission System Demand**”, the information will be provided by the **DNO** following the receipt of information provided by the **ISOP** in accordance with OC1 of the **Grid Code**.

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Demand forecasts - Programming Phase (24 hours to 8 weeks ahead inclusive)

The following information shall be provided to the **DNO** in the timescales specified in DOC1.5.3:-

- (a) Schedules for the operation of **Embedded Power Generating Module** or any **Embedded Transmission System** whose output is greater than 1MW on a half-hourly basis where the **DNO** reasonably considers it appropriate
- (b) From **Suppliers**, details of their proposed use of **Demand Control** measures aggregated to 5MW or more (averaged over any half-hour) on a half hourly basis for each of the **DNO's Connection Points**;
- (c) From **Customers** and **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** whose operations are likely to result in an aggregated change in **Demand** at the **DNO's Connection Point** of supply of greater than 5MW of the **Demand** at that time on a half-hourly basis.
- (d) Any other relevant **Demand** forecast information reasonably required by the **DNO**.

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DOC2 OPERATIONAL PLANNING

DOC2.1 Introduction

DOC2.1.1 **Operational Planning** within the terms of the **Distribution Code** comprises the co-ordination through various timescales, of planned outages of **Equipment** which affects the **Operation** of the **DNO's Distribution System** or require the commitment of the **DNO's** resources.

DOC2.1.2 This **Distribution Operating Code** also enables the **DNO** to meet its **Distribution Licence** obligation to provide certain information specified in the **Grid Code** and establishes procedures to enable the collection of such data from **Users** specified in DOC2.3 below.

DOC2.1.3 Information to be provided to the **DNO** shall be in writing as specified in DGD2(vi).

DOC2.1.4 In order for the **DNO** to fulfil the requirements of this DOC2 it should be noted that the information set out in the **Grid Code** OC2, to be provided by the **ISOP**, will form the basis of **Operational Planning** under this DOC2.

DOC2.1.5 In this **Distribution Operating Code** Year 0 means the current calendar year at any time, Year 1 means the next calendar year at any time, Year 2 means the calendar year after Year 1, etc. Where Week 52 is specified read Week 53 in appropriate years.

DOC2.2 Objectives

The objectives of this **Distribution Operating Code** are:

- (a) To set out the **DNO's Operational Planning** procedure and a typical timetable for the co-ordination of outage requirements of **Equipment** to be provided by **Users** to enable the **DNO** to operate the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (b) To specify the information to be provided by **Users** to the **DNO** to enable the **DNO** to comply with its obligations under the **Grid Code**.

DOC2.3 Scope

This **Distribution Operating Code** applies to the **DNO** and the following **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System** which are connected at **HV**:-

- (a) **HV Customers** where the **DNO** considers it appropriate.
- (b) **Customer With Own Generation** where the **DNO** reasonably considers it appropriate.
- (c) **Generators with Embedded Power Generating Modules** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** whose **Registered Capacity** is greater than 1MW and any **Embedded Transmission System** where the **DNO** reasonably considers it appropriate.
- (d) Any **Other Authorised Distributor** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (e) Any **User** in (a) to (c) above who is a **Restoration Contractor** party to a **DRZP**.

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DOC2.4 **Information Flow and Co-ordination**

DOC2.4.1 **Embedded Generators**

Information relating to **Embedded Power Generating Modules** and **Embedded Transmission Systems** shall where reasonably required by the **DNO** be provided by the **User** directly to the **DNO**. This may include a **Customer With Own Generation** where the **DNO** considers it appropriate.

DOC2.4.1.2 Information from **Restoration Contractors** as required by DPC8.11 will be provided to the **DNO** in accordance with DOC2.6 below.

DOC2.4.2 **High Voltage Customers**

In the event that:

- a) a **High Voltage Customer** experiences the planned unavailability of its **Apparatus** resulting in the reduction of **Demand** of 100MW or more, or a change to the planned unavailability of its **Apparatus** resulting in a change in **Demand** of 100MW or more, for one settlement period or longer; or
- b) a **High Voltage Customer** experiences a change in the actual availability of its **Apparatus** resulting in a change in **Demand** of 100MW or greater, such a **High Voltage Customer** shall provide the **ISOP** with the information required from a Non-Embedded Customer specified in **Grid Code** OC2.4.2.3 and **Grid Code** DRC Schedule 6 in a format and timescales agreed with the **ISOP**.

DOC 2.4.3 **Other Plant and Apparatus**

Information relating to all **Plant** and **Apparatus** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**, or that which may affect its **Operation**, shall be co-ordinated with the **DNO**.

DOC2.5 **Timescales and Data**

DOC2.5.1 Detailed implementation of data gathering and timescales will be agreed between the **DNO** and each **User**. Due recognition will be given by the **DNO** to voltage levels and capacities of **Plant** and **Apparatus** when assessing information requirements.

DOC2.5.2 All information shall be provided in **Decimal Weeks** as a minimum, where Week 1 commences in the first week of January as published from time to time.

DOC2.5.3 The rolling timescales involved in **Distribution Operating Code** DOC2 are illustrated in Figure 1 of this **Distribution Operating Code** and are as follows:-

(a) **Operational Planning Phase**

Long Term Planning Phase - Calendar year 3 ahead.

Medium Term - Calendar years 1 and 2 ahead.

Short Term - The current calendar year 52 weeks ahead down to 9 weeks ahead.

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(b) **Programming Phase**

24 hours to 8 weeks ahead inclusive.

(c) **Control Phase**

0 to 24 hours ahead.

DOC2.6 **Operational Planning**

DOC2.6.1 **Long Term Programme** (Calendar Year 3 ahead - Appendix 1)

DOC2.6.1.1 Each year, the **DNO** will prepare a Long Term Programme covering year 3 ahead which will include those **Distribution System** outages, **Embedded Transmission System** outages and **Embedded Power Generating Module** outages, where the **DNO** reasonably considers it appropriate, which may affect the performance of the **Total System**.

DOC2.6.1.2 **Users** and **Embedded Generators** where the **DNO** reasonably considers it appropriate will provide the **DNO** with information in accordance with Appendix 1. This information will be requested by the **DNO** in order to satisfy the requirements of DOC2.6.1.1.

DOC2.6.2 **Medium Term Programme** (Calendar years 1 - 2 ahead Appendix 2)

DOC2.6.2.1 The previous Long Term Programme will be updated to form the basis of the Medium Term Programme. The availability of **Embedded Power Generating Modules** and any **Embedded Transmission System** will also be updated.

DOC2.6.2.2 **Users** and **Embedded Generators** will provide the **DNO** with information in accordance with Appendix 2.

DOC2.6.3 **Short Term Programme** (Current year 52 weeks ahead down to 9 weeks ahead - Appendix 3).

DOC2.6.3.1 The previous Medium Term Programme will be updated to form the basis of the Short Term Programme. The **DNO** will continually review this programme as necessary and periodically discuss it with the relevant parties as appropriate.

DOC2.6.3.2 It will take account of such review and discussions and any additional outages and the following further details of each outage proposed will be notified at this stage by the appropriate party:-

(a) Return to service times of circuits (if different from programme).

(b) Specific **Equipment** to be worked upon.

(c) Any other information that may be reasonably specified by the **DNO** from time to time.

DOC2.6.3.3 At any time and from time to time during the current calendar year up to the **Programming Phase** (8 weeks ahead), **Users** may notify reasonable changes and additions to the outages previously notified during the Medium Term planning process. The **DNO** will consider whether the changes will adversely affect **System** security, stability or other parties, and will discuss with the party in question. Where the change is so discussed the **DNO** will inform the other affected **Users**.

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- DOC2.6.3.4 **Restoration Contractors** must notify the **DNO** without undue delay of any changes to the availability of their **Equipment** which might affect their ability to discharge the obligations of their **Distribution Restoration Contract**.
- DOC2.6.4 **Programming Phase** (24 hours to 8 weeks ahead inclusive)
- DOC2.6.4.1 The Short Term Programme will form the basis of the **Programming Phase** and a rolling suggested programme for the following week and subsequent 7 week period respectively will be prepared weekly by the **DNO**.
- DOC2.6.4.2 The **DNO** will update the programme each week and take account of any additional or varied outages.
- DOC2.6.4.3 Any decision to depart from the outages and actions determined during this phase will immediately be notified to the **DNO**, who will inform other affected parties.
- DOC2.6.5 **Generation Scheduling Information (Programming Phase 24 hours to 8 weeks ahead inclusive)**
- DOC2.6.5.1 The **DNO** will obtain **Scheduling** information from **Embedded Generators** for **Embedded Power Generating Modules** and any **Embedded Transmission System** which do not constitute or contain **BM Units** which are active (ie submitting bid-offer data) where it considers it appropriate.
- DOC2.6.5.2 The **Scheduling** information will specify the following on an individual **Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** basis:
- (a) The period the set or system is required.
 - (b) The planned half hourly output.
 - (c) Any other information the **DNO** reasonably considers necessary.
- DOC2.6.5.3 **Restoration Contractors** must notify the **DNO** without undue delay of any changes to the availability of their **Equipment** which might affect their ability to discharge the obligations of their **Distribution Restoration Contract**.
- DOC2.6.6 **Control Phase** (0 to 24 hours ahead)
- DOC2.6.6.1 During the real time **Operation** any changes to the outage programme for the day shall be at the discretion of the **DNO**.
- DOC2.6.6.2 **Restoration Contractors** must notify the **DNO** within 30 minutes of any changes to the availability of their **Equipment** which might affect their ability to discharge the obligations of their **Distribution Restoration Contract** over the subsequent 7 days from the identification of the issue.
- DOC2.7 **Nuclear Power Generating Module**
- DOC2.7.1 The **DNO** will endeavour to give as much notice as possible to a **Generator** with Nuclear **Power Generating Modules** which may be operationally affected by an outage which is to be included in a programme referred to in DOC2.6.4.1.
- DOC2.7.2 Where a **Generator** with Nuclear **Power Generating Module** which may be operationally affected by the **DNO's Distribution System** outage programme referred to in DOC2.6.4.1 (acting as a reasonable operator) is concerned on grounds

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relating to safety about the effect which an outage within such outage programme might have on one or more of its Nuclear **Power Generating Modules**, it may contact the **DNO** to explain its concerns and discuss whether there is an alternative way of taking that outage (having regard to technical feasibility). If there is such an alternative way, but the **DNO** refuses to adopt that alternative way in taking that outage, the **Generator** may involve the **Electricity Supply Industry (ESI)** disputes resolution procedure to decide on the way the outage should be taken. If there is no such alternative way, then the **DNO** may take the outage despite that **Generator's** concerns.

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OPERATIONAL PLANNING - LONG TERM PLANNING PHASE (YEAR 3 AHEAD)

The requirements of the Long Term Programme apply to Embedded Power Generating Module and Embedded Transmission System connected to the DNO's Distribution System specified in DOC2.3.

EACH CALENDAR YEAR BY:-

WEEK 2 **Embedded Generators** provide the **DNO** with a provisional **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** outage programme for Year 3 ahead specifying the **Power Generating Module** and MW concerned, the preferred date for each proposed outage, and where there is a possibility of flexibility, the earliest start date and latest finishing date where applicable.

WEEK 12 The **DNO** will provide the **Embedded Generators** with details of constraints on the **DNO's Distribution System** and potential **DNO's Distribution System** requirements during each week of Years 3 ahead for an outage together with their perceived **Output Usable** requirements for Year 3 ahead.

WEEK 25 **Embedded Generators** will provide the **DNO** with updated provisional **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** outage programmes together with the **Registered Capacity** and neutral weekly **Output Usable** forecasts in both cases for Year 3 ahead.

WEEK 28 The **DNO** after discussion with the **Embedded Generator** will notify each **Embedded Generator** with details of any suggested revisions the **DNO** proposes to the provisional **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** outage programme previously supplied and the reasons for such proposed revisions including such information as provided in week 12.

Users will provide the **DNO** with details of proposed outages in Year 3 ahead which may affect the performance of the **DNO's Distribution System**. This information need not be limited to **Plant Apparatus** and **System** at the **DNO** interface. Details will comprise general outage requirements, start and end dates.

WEEK 42 The **DNO** after discussions with the **Embedded Generator** will notify each **Embedded Generator** with details of any suggested revisions necessary to maintain **DNO System** security to the updated provisional **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** outage programme previously supplied.

WEEK 43 Following consultation with **Users**, the **DNO** will include these outage proposals in the Long Term Programme.

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OPERATIONAL PLANNING - MEDIUM TERM PROGRAMME (YEARS 1 & 2)

The requirements of the Medium Term Programme apply to **Embedded Power Generating Module and Embedded Transmission System** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** as specified in DOC2.3.

EACH CALENDAR YEAR BY:-

- WEEK 2** **Embedded Generators** not included in the Long Term Programme shall provide the **DNO** with a provisional **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** outage programme for Years 1 and 2 specifying the **Power Generating Module** and MW concerned, the preferred date for each proposed outage, where applicable earliest start date and latest finishing date.
- WEEK 10** **Embedded Generators** provide the **DNO** with estimates of **Output Usable** for each **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** for Year 1 and 2 (weeks 1 to 52) and its proposed **Power Generating Module** and/or **System** outage programme for Years 1 and 2.
- WEEK 12** The **DNO** will after discussion with the **Embedded Generator** provide the appropriate **Embedded Generator** with details of **DNO's Distribution System** constraints and potential **DNO's Distribution System** requirements during each week of Years 1 and 2 for an outage together with any suggested changes to its proposed **Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** outage programme.
- The **DNO** will notify each **Embedded Generator** of **Output Usable** requirements for Years 1 and 2 (weeks 1 to 52).
- WEEK 28** **Users** within the **DNO's** distribution services area will provide the **DNO** with details of outages due to take place during the Years 1 and 2 which may affect the performance of the **DNO's Distribution System**. This will comprise updating the programme for Years 3 ahead where appropriate and including any subsequent requests.
- In addition to outage proposals, the programme shall include Trip Testing, Risks of Trip, and other information where known which may affect the security and stability of the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- WEEK 41** Each **Embedded Generator** will provide the **DNO** with revised estimates of the **Output Usable** of each **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** for Year 1 and 2 (weeks 1 to 52).
- WEEK 48** Following consultation with **Users**, the **DNO** will include their proposals in the Medium Term Plan.

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DOC 2 - APPENDIX 3

OPERATIONAL PLANNING - SHORT TERM (CURRENT YEAR 52 WEEKS AHEAD DOWN TO 9 WEEKS AHEAD)

The Short Term Plan will be an update of the Medium Term Plan and comprise a receding period as the **Programming Phase** (24 hours to 8 weeks ahead inclusive) evolves through the current year.

EACH CALENDAR YEAR

- WEEK 2 **Embedded Generators** not included in the Medium Term Plan will provide the **DNO** with a provisional **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** outage programme for the current calendar year specifying the **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System** and MW concerned, duration of the outage, earliest start date and latest finishing date where applicable. **Embedded Generators** will also provide the **DNO** with revised estimates of **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System Output Usable** for weeks 9 - 52.
- WEEK 4 **DNO** will inform **Embedded Generators** of **Output Usable** requirements for weeks 9 - 52.
- WEEK 10 **Embedded Generators** will provide the **DNO** with estimates of each **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System Output Usable** for weeks 18 - 52.
- WEEK 12 The **DNO** will inform **Embedded Generators** of their desired changes **Embedded Generator** to **Output Usable** requirements for weeks 18 - 52 and will provide details of **DNO's Distribution System** constraints and **DNO's Distribution System** requirements.
- WEEK 20 **Restoration Contractors** shall provide the **DNO** with information regarding the **Re-Synchronisation** times and **Block Loading Capability** of their **Equipment** as required by DPC8.11.
- WEEK 25 **Embedded Generators** will provide the **DNO** with estimates of each **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System Output Usable** for weeks 28 - 52.
- WEEK 27 The **DNO** will inform **Embedded Generators** of changes to **Output Usable** requirements for weeks 31 - 52.
- WEEK 41 **Embedded Generators** will provide the **DNO** with estimates of each **Embedded Power Generating Module** or **Embedded Transmission System Output Usable** for weeks 44 - 52.
- WEEK 43 The **DNO** will inform **Embedded Generators** of changes to **Output Usable** requirements for weeks 44 - 52.

An update of **Users** proposals agreed in the Medium Term Plan will be included in the Short Term Programming Phase.

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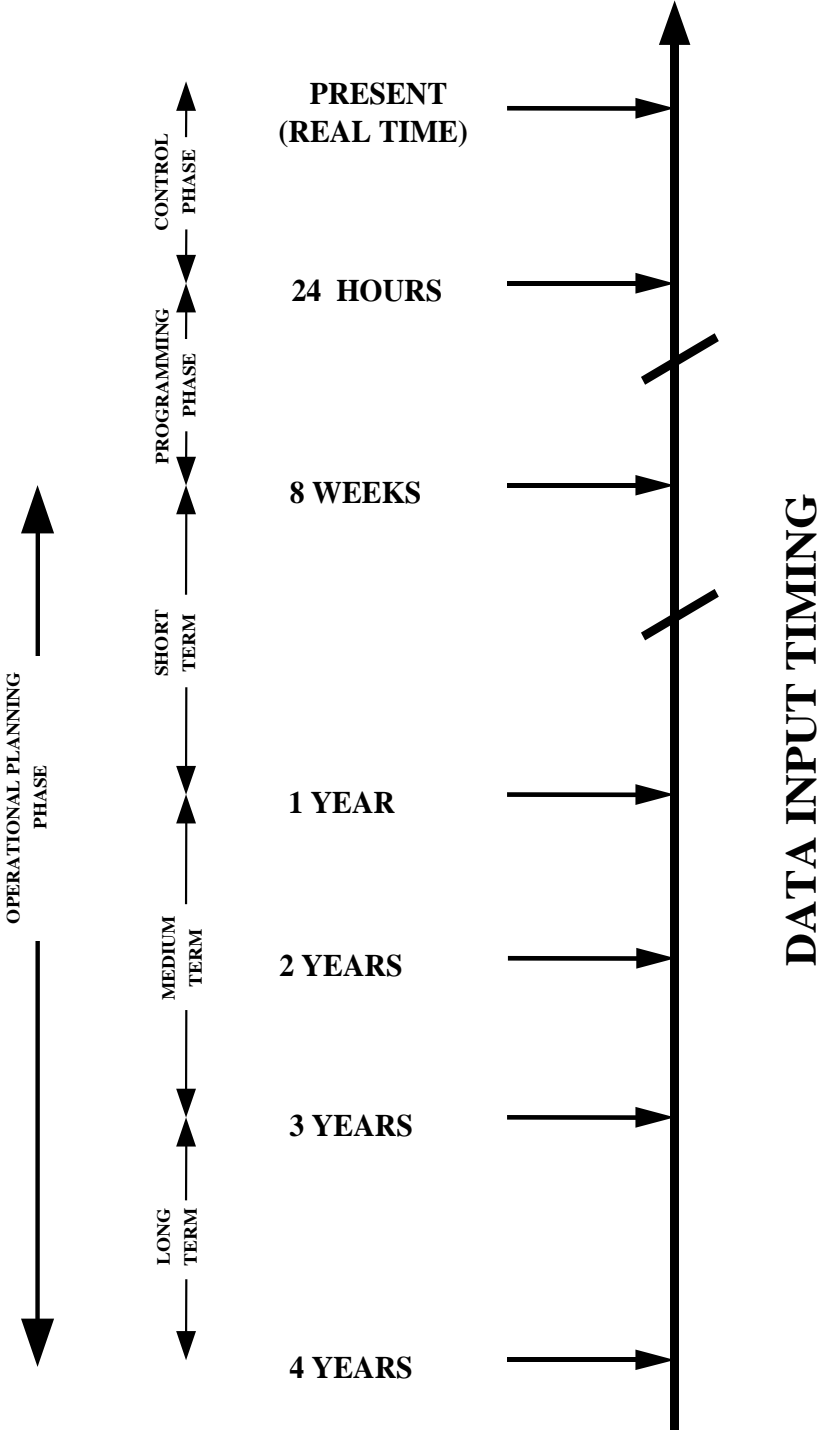


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DOC5 TESTING AND MONITORING

DOC5.1 Introduction

DOC5.1.1 To ensure that the **DNO's Distribution System** is operated efficiently and within its licence standards and to meet statutory actions the **DNO** will organise and carry out testing and/or monitoring of the effect of **Users'** electrical apparatus on the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DOC5.1.2 The testing and/or monitoring procedures will be specifically related to the technical criteria detailed in the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code**. They will also relate to the parameters submitted by **Users** in the **Distribution Data Registration Code**. Such testing can also be initiated on request from the **User** for the purpose of the **User** ensuring compliance with the above technical criteria.

DOC5.1.3 This DOC5 also covers the testing requirements that might be imposed from time to time on **Embedded Medium Power Stations** owned by a **Generators** who are not party to the **CUSC**

DOC5.1.4 The testing carried out under this **Distribution Operating Code (DOC5)** should not be confused with the more extensive **System Test** outlined in DOC12.

DOC5.2 Objective

DOC5.2.1 The objective of this **Distribution Operating Code** is to specify the **DNO's** requirement to test and/or monitor its **DNO's Distribution System** to ensure that **Users** are not operating outside the technical parameters required by the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** and/or the **Distribution Operating Codes**.

DOC5.2.2 This DOC5 includes the necessary arrangements and actions to establish that **Restoration Contractors** who have a **Distribution Restoration Contract** can provide the **System Restoration** services that they have contracted to provide in accordance with OC9 of the **Grid Code** and DOC9 of the **Distribution Code**.

DOC5.3 Scope

DOC5.3.1 This Distribution Operating Code applies to the following **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System**:-

- (a) **Customers** (it is not intended that the **Distribution Code** will necessarily apply to small **Customers** individually - their obligations will generally be dealt with on their behalf by their **Supplier**).
- (b) **Embedded Generators**.
- (c) **Other Authorised Distributor** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (d) **Suppliers**.
- (e) **Meter Operators**.

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DOC5.4 Procedure Related to Compliance and Quality of Supply

DOC5.4.1 The **DNO** will from time to time determine the need to test and/or monitor compliance and/or the quality of supply at various points on its **DNO's Distribution System**.

DOC5.4.2 The requirement for specific testing and/or monitoring may be initiated by reasonable concerns relating to compliance with the **Distribution Code** and/or associated **Annex 1 Standards**. It may also be initiated by the receipt of complaints as to the quality of supply on the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DOC5.4.3 Where required by the **DNO** the **User** will undertake compliance tests as agreed with the **DNO** and relevant and necessary for proving compliance with the **Distribution Code** and/or associated **Annex 1 Standards**.

DOC5.4.4 In certain situations the **DNO** may require the testing and/or monitoring to take place at the point of connection of a **User** with the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DOC5.4.5 Where testing and/or monitoring is required at the **Connection Point**, the **DNO** will advise the **User** involved and will make available the results of such tests to the **User**.

DOC5.4.6 Where the results of such tests show that the **User** is operating outside the technical parameters specified in the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code**, the **User** will be informed accordingly.

DOC5.4.7 Where the **User** requests, a retest will be carried out and the test witnessed by a **User** representative.

DOC5.4.8 A **User** shown to be operating outside the limits specified in **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** will rectify the situation or disconnect the **Apparatus** causing the problem from its electrical **System** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** immediately or within such time as is agreed with the **DNO**.

DOC5.4.9 Continued failure to rectify the situation will result in the **User** being disconnected or de-energised in accordance with the **Connection Agreement** from the **DNO's Distribution System** either as a breach of the **Distribution Code** or through the authority of the **ESQCR**, where appropriate.

DOC5.5 Procedure Related to Connection Point Parameters

DOC5.5.1 The **DNO** from time to time will monitor the effect of the **User** on the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DOC5.5.2 The monitoring will normally be related to amount of **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** transferred across the **Connection Point**.

DOC5.5.3 Where the **User** is exporting to or importing from the **DNO's Distribution System** **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** in excess of the parameters in the **Connection Agreement** the **DNO** will inform the **User** and where appropriate demonstrate the results of such monitoring.

DOC5.5.4 The **User** may request technical information on the method of monitoring and, if necessary, request another method reasonably acceptable to the **DNO**.

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DOC5.5.5 Where the **User** is operating outside the specified parameters, the **User** will immediately restrict the **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** transfers to within the specified parameters.

DOC5.5.6 Where the **User** requires increased **Active Power** and **Reactive Power** in excess of the physical capacity of the **Connection Point** the **User** will restrict power transfers to those specified in the **Connection Agreement** until a modified **Connection Agreement** has been applied for from the **DNO** and physically established.

DOC5.6 Grid Code Compliance for Medium Power Stations not subject to an embedded generation agreement

DOC5.6.1 Procedure For Compliance

DOC5.6.1.1 The **ISOP** may, from time to time, but generally not more than twice in any calendar year, request that the **DNO** procure from the **Generator** a statement confirming compliance with the relevant **Grid Code** Connection Conditions at the **Embedded Medium Power Station** not subject to an embedded generation agreement in question. Such requests will generally, but not necessarily, be contingent on the issues raised in DOC6.5.3.3 below.

DOC5.6.1.2 On request from the **DNO**, in furtherance of DOC5.6.1.1 above or at other times not generally more than twice per calendar year, the **Generator** will provide to the **DNO** a statement with appropriate supporting evidence of compliance with the relevant **Grid Code** requirements. The **DNO** will immediately submit this information to the **ISOP**. The **Generator** is at liberty to submit the data directly to the **ISOP**, but a copy must be submitted in parallel to the **DNO**.

DOC5.6.1.3 In the event that in the **ISOP**'s view an **Embedded Medium Power Station** fails persistently to comply with the **Grid Code** Connection Conditions the **ISOP** shall notify the **DNO** giving details of the failure and of the monitoring that the **ISOP** has carried out.

DOC5.6.1.4 The **DNO** will notify the **Generator** responsible for the **Embedded Medium Power Station** in question as soon as possible, and in any case within 2 working days of all the facts contained in the **ISOP** notice.

DOC5.6.1.5 The **Generator** responsible for the **Embedded Medium Power Station** in question will, as soon as possible, provide the **DNO** with an explanation of the reasons for the failure and details of the action that it proposes to take to comply with the **Grid Code** Connections Conditions within a reasonable period.

DOC 5.6.1.6 The **ISOP**, the **DNO** and the **Generator** will then discuss the action the **Generator** proposes to take and will endeavour to reach agreement as to:

- (a) any short term operational measures necessary to protect other **Users**; and
- (b) the parameters which are to be submitted for the **Power Generating Module** and the effective date(s) for the application of the agreed parameters.

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DOC5.6.2 Procedure for Testing

DOC5.6.2.1 Subject to the provisions of DOC5.6.1 should the **DNO** fail to procure a notice of compliance to the **ISOP**'s reasonable satisfaction, the **ISOP** may at any time (although not normally more than twice in any calendar year in respect of any particular **Embedded Medium Power Station** not subject to an embedded generation agreement issue an instruction requiring the **DNO** to facilitate a test, provided the **ISOP** has reasonable grounds of justification based upon:

- (a) a submission of data in respect of the relevant **Embedded Medium Power Station** indicating a change in performance; or
- (b) a statement from the **DNO** or **Generator** indicating a change in performance; or
- (c) monitoring by the **ISOP**, whether or not carried out in accordance with DOC5.6.1.3 above; or
- (d) notification from the **DNO** of completion of an agreed action from DOC5.6.1 above.

DOC5.6.2.2 The test referred to in DOC5.6.2.1 on any one or more of the **Power Generating Modules** comprising part of the relevant **Embedded Medium Power Station** should only be to demonstrate that:

- (a) the relevant **Power Generating Module** meets the requirements of the paragraphs in the **Grid Code** Connection Conditions or the **Grid Code** European Connection Conditions (as applicable) which are applicable to such **Power Generating Modules** or **Power Station**; or
- (b) the relevant **Power Generating Module** meets the requirements for operation in limited frequency sensitive mode as describe in the **Grid Code** in accordance with CC.6.3.3 (or ECC6.3.3), BC3.5.2 and BC3.7.2,

DOC5.6.2.3 The instruction referred to in DOC5.6.2.1 may only be issued where, following consultation and the preparation of a mutually agreed testing plan (to include prevailing economic conditions etc) and timetable between the **DNO**, **Generator** and the **ISOP**, the **ISOP** has:

- (a) confirmed to the **DNO** and **Generator** the manner in which the test will be conducted, which shall be consistent with the principles established in DOC5.6.3; and
- (b) received confirmation from the **DNO** that the relevant **Power Generating Module** would not then be unavailable by reason of forced outage or **Planned Outage** expected prior to the instruction.

DOC5.6.3 Conduct of Test

DOC5.6.3.1 The **Generator** is responsible for carrying out the test when requested by the **DNO** following a valid request from the **ISOP** in accordance with DOC5.6.2.1 and the **Generator** retains the responsibility for the safety of personnel and plant during the test.

DOC5.6.3.2 The performance of the **Power Generating Module** concerned will be recorded at the **ISOP** and/or **DNO Control Centres** with monitoring at site as and when necessary during the test.

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DOC5.6.3.3 If monitoring at site is undertaken, the performance of the **Power Generating Module** will be recorded on a suitable recorder (with measurements taken as appropriate on the **Power Generating Module** Stator Terminals / on the LV side of the generator transformer or at the **Connection Point** if this has been agreed between the **DNO** and the **Generator**) in the relevant **User's Control Centre**, in the presence of a reasonable number of representatives appointed and authorised by the **ISOP**. If the **ISOP** or the **DNO** or the **Generator** requests, monitoring at site will include measurement of the following parameters during the test:

- (a) for Steam Turbines: governor pilot oil pressure, valve position and steam pressure; or
- (b) for Gas Turbines: Inlet Guide Vane position, Fuel Valve positions, Fuel Demand signal and Exhaust Gas temperature; or
- (c) for Hydro Turbines: Governor Demand signal, Actuator Output signal, Guide Vane position; and/or
- (d) for Excitation Systems: Generator Field Voltage and Power System Stabiliser signal where appropriate.

DOC5.6.3.4 The relevant test parameters and the pass/fail criteria shall be drawn from Section OC5.5.3 of the **Grid Code**.

DOC5.6.4 Test Failure/Re-test

DOC5.6.4.1 If the **Power Generating Module** concerned fails to pass the test the **Generator** must provide the **DNO** and the **ISOP** with a written report specifying in reasonable detail the reasons for any failure of the test so far as they are then known to the **Generator** after due and careful enquiry.

DOC5.6.4.2 The **DNO** has the responsibility under the **Grid Code** to forward the report of DOC5.6.4.1 above to the **ISOP**. This report must be provided within five **Business Days** of the test. If a dispute arises relating to the failure, the **ISOP**, the **DNO** and the **Generator** shall seek to resolve the dispute by discussion, and, if they fail to reach agreement, either of the **DNO** or **Generator** may by notice respectively:

- (a) require the **ISOP** to initiate a re-test on 48 hours' notice which shall be carried out following the procedure set out in OC5.5.2 and OC5.5.3 and subject as provided in OC5.5.1.3, as if the **ISOP** had issued an instruction at the time of notice from the relevant **User**; or
- (b) confirm that it (or they) will exercise its right to carry out a re-test on 48 hours' notice which shall be carried out following the procedure set out in **Grid Code** Sections OC5.5.2 and OC5.5.3 and subject as provided in **Grid Code** Sections OC5.5.1.6, as if the **ISOP** had issued an instruction at the time of notice from the **DNO**.

DOC5.6.5 Dispute following Re-test

DOC5.6.5.1 If the **Power Generating Module** in the **ISOP's** view fails to pass the re-test and a dispute arises on that re-test, the **ISOP**, the **DNO** and the **Generator** may use the **CUSC Disputes Resolution Procedure**, (which embodies the ESI disputes resolution procedure) for a ruling in relation to the dispute, which ruling shall be binding.

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DOC5.6.6 Dispute Resolution

- DOC5.6.6.1 If following the procedure set out in DOC5.6.5 it is accepted that the **Power Generating Module** has failed the test or re-test (as applicable), the **Generator** shall within 14 days, or such longer period as the **ISOP** may reasonably agree, following such failure, submit in writing to the **DNO** for submission to the **ISOP** for approval the date and time by which the **Generator** shall have brought the **Power Generating Module** concerned to a condition where it complies with the relevant requirement.
- DOC5.6.6.2 Should the **ISOP** not approve the **Generator's**, proposed date or time (or any revised proposal), the **Generator** shall amend such proposal having regard to any comments the **ISOP** and/or the **DNO** may have made and re-submit it for approval.
- DOC5.6.6.3 If the **Power Generating Module** fails the test the **Generator** shall resubmit to the **DNO** the relevant registered parameters of that **Power Generating Module** for the period of time until the **Power Generating Module** can achieve the parameters previously registered, as demonstrated (if required by the **ISOP** in accordance with DOC5.6.6.4) in a re-test. The **DNO** will submit these parameters to the **ISOP** as required by the **Grid Code**.
- DOC5.6.6.4 Once the **Generator**, has indicated to the **ISOP** via the **DNO** the date and time that the **Power Generating Module** can achieve the parameters previously registered or submitted, the **ISOP** shall either accept this information or require the **Generator** to demonstrate the restoration of the capability by means of a repetition of the test referred to in DOC5.6.7 by an instruction requiring the **DNO** to ensure on 48 hours' notice that such a test is carried out by the **Generator**.
- DOC5.6.6.5 The provisions of this DOC5.6.6 will apply to such further test.

DOC5.7 System Restoration Testing

DOC5.7.1 Introduction

- DOC5.7.1.1 Two principal recovery routes from a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** exist; via **LJRPs**, and via **DRZPs**. Their requirements are described separately in DOC9.
- DOC5.7.1.1 This DOC5.7 deals with the testing requirements for **DRZPs** only. Testing of **LJRPs** is undertaken under the direction of the **ISOP** in accordance with OC5.7 of the **Grid Code**.

DOC5.7.2 General Requirements

- DOC5.7.2.1 The **ISOP** may request the **DNO** in coordination with a **Restoration Contractor** to carry out the appropriate **Restoration Service Test** in order to demonstrate that **Restoration Contractors' Equipment** has the capabilities required by the **Distribution Restoration Contract**. Prior to any test taking place, the **DNO** shall ensure the **DNO's Distribution System** is appropriately configured to undertake the test.
- DOC5.7.2.2 The **ISOP** will request the **DNO** to instruct the relevant **Restoration Contractor** to carry out a test (an **Anchor Power Generating Module Test**, an **Anchor Power Station Test**, a **Top Up Restoration Test**; or a **Quick Re-synchronisation** test as appropriate) in order to demonstrate the relevant capabilities.

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- DOC5.7.2.3 All **Restoration Service Tests** shall be carried out at the time agreed between the **DNO**, the **Restoration Contractor** and the **ISOP** and in accordance with the frequency and notice periods given in DOC5.7.2.4 to DOC5.7.2.6. The tests shall be undertaken in the presence of a reasonable number of representatives appointed by the **ISOP** and/or the **DNO**, who shall be given access to all information relevant to the **Restoration Service Test**.
- DOC5.7.2.4 When the **ISOP** requests the **DNO** to instruct a **Restoration Contractor** to carry out a **Restoration Service Test**, the **DNO** shall notify the details of the proposed **Restoration Service Test** to the relevant **Restoration Contractor** at least 7 days prior to the time of the **Restoration Service Test**.
- DOC5.7.2.5 The **ISOP** may request the **DNO** to instruct a **Restoration Contractor** to carry out a **Restoration Service Test** at any time (but will not require a **Restoration Service Test** to be carried out more than once every three years in respect of any particular **Restoration Contractor's Equipment** unless it can justify on reasonable grounds the necessity for further tests or unless the further test is a re-test).
- DOC5.7.2.6 Where **Restoration Contractors** are required to undergo **Restoration Service Tests**, the following shall apply:
- (a) Where the **ISOP** requests the **DNO** to instruct an **Anchor Generator** to carry out an **Anchor Power Generating Module Test** within an **Anchor Power Station**, the **Anchor Generator** shall execute such a test at least once every three calendar years. The **ISOP** will not require the **DNO** to instruct an **Anchor Power Generating Module Test** to be carried out on more than one **Anchor Power Generating Module** at that **Anchor Power Station** at the same time, and would not, in the absence of exceptional circumstances, expect any of the other **Anchor Power Generating Modules** at the **Anchor Power Station** to be directly affected by the **Anchor Power Generating Module Test**.
 - (b) The **ISOP** may occasionally require the **DNO** to instruct an **Anchor Generator** to carry out an **Anchor Power Station Test** at any time (but will not require an **Anchor Power Station Test** to be carried out more than once in every three calendar years in respect of any particular **Anchor Power Generating Module** unless it can reasonably justify the necessity for further tests or unless the further test is a re-test). If successful, this **Anchor Power Station Test** shall count as a successful **Anchor Power Generating Module Test** for the **Anchor Power Generating Module** used in the test.
 - (c) If a **Distribution Restoration Contract** includes **Quick Re-synchronisation**, the **ISOP** may occasionally require the **DNO** to instruct the **Anchor Generator** to carry out a **Quick Re-synchronisation** unit test at any time, but will generally only be required where such an **Anchor Generator** has made a change to its **Equipment** which may have an impact on its houseload operation or after two unsuccessful tripping **Events** in the operational environment.
 - (d) Where the **ISOP** requests the **DNO** to request a **Restoration Contractor** to carry out a **Top Up Restoration Test**, the **Restoration Contractor** shall execute such a test at least once every three calendar years, which could be at any time (but such a test will not be required to be carried out more than once in every three calendar years unless it can be justified on reasonable grounds, or unless the further test is a retest).

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Tests (a) to (d) will be deemed a success where stable operation is achieved within a time frame agreed in the **Distribution Restoration Contract**.

DOC5.7.3 Restoration Service Tests

DOC5.7.3.1 Anchor Power Generating Module Testing General Requirements

DOC5.7.3.1.1 All tests shall be instructed and coordinated by the **DNO**. The **DNO** shall inform the **ISOP** of the progress and completion of the tests following the relevant requirements of **Grid Code OC5.7**.

DOC5.7.3.1.2 All tests should demonstrate compliance with the technical requirements included in the **Distribution Restoration Contract**.

DOC5.7.3.2 Anchor Power Generating Module Test

- (a) Prior to the test, the **DNO** shall reconfigure the **DNO's Distribution System** to enable the **Anchor Power Generating Module Test** to be completed whilst having due regard for the safety of **Plant** and personnel on its **Distribution System**.
- (b) The relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall start the test sequence **Loaded** in normal operation.
- (c) All the auxiliary power sources used in the **Anchor Power Station** which relate to the relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** is situated, shall be **Shutdown**.
- (d) The **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall be **De-Loaded, De-Synchronised** and **Shutdown** and all alternating current electrical supplies to its auxiliaries shall be disconnected.
- (e) The auxiliary power sources for the relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall be made available, and shall re-energise the electrical systems of the relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module**.
- (f) The auxiliaries of the relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall be fed by the auxiliary power supplies to enable the relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** to return to a condition where it is ready to **Synchronise**.
- (g) Where required by the **DNO** and in accordance with the **DRZP** the test shall be arranged such that the relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** energises the dead section of the **DNO's Distribution System** as required in the **DRZP**.
- (h) Where required by the **DNO** and in accordance with the **DRZP** the test shall be arranged such that a relevant part of the **DNO's Distribution System** energised by the **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall be **Synchronised** to the rest of the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (j) The relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall be **Synchronised** but not **Loaded**, unless the appropriate instruction has been specifically given to the **Anchor Generator** by the **DNO**, following instruction from the **ISOP** to the **DNO** under BC2 of the **Grid Code**.
- (k) When planning and/or executing a dead line charge test, consideration shall be given to the effect the test will have on **Customers** supplied from the part of the **Total System** that needs to be de-energised for the test. Consideration should include whether supplies to **Customers** would need to be interrupted

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to undertake the test. Where possible, tests should be conducted to avoid interruption to **Customers'** supplies. Where this is not possible, alternative tests or computer simulation exercises can be agreed between the **DNO**, the **ISOP**, the relevant **Transmission Licensee** (as applicable) and the **Anchor Generator**. Where it is identified that routine testing which is critical to restoration of the **Total System** cannot be undertaken, because of the effect on **Customers'** supplies, consideration should be given to network reconfiguration where such a change is technically and economically viable.

- (m) If required by the **DRZP** and requested by the **DNO**, the **Anchor Generator** will, following completion of (k) above, undertake a remote **Synchronisation** test whereby the **Anchor Power Generating Module** is **Synchronised** via a **DNO** circuit breaker to the **Total System**.
- (n) The **ISOP** and the **DNO** shall agree with the **Anchor Generator** when the test has been completed in accordance with the test requirements of the **DRZP**.

DOC5.7.3.3 **Anchor Power Station Test**

- (a) Prior to the test, the **DNO** shall reconfigure the **DNO's Distribution System** as necessary to enable the **Anchor Power Station Test** to be completed whilst having due regard for the safety of **Plant** and personnel on the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (b) All **Anchor Power Generating Modules** at the **Anchor Power Station**, other than the **Anchor Power Generating Module** on which the **Restoration Service Test** is to be carried out, and all the auxiliary power supplies at the **Anchor Power Station**, shall be **Shutdown**.
- (c) The relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall start the test sequence **Loaded** in normal operation.
- (d) The relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall be **Deloaded** and **De-Synchronised**.
- (e) All external alternating current electrical supplies to the electrical systems of the relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module**, and to the **Power Station** electrical installation of the relevant **Anchor Power Station**, shall be disconnected.
- (f) An independent auxiliary power supply at the **Anchor Power Station** shall be used to re-energise either directly, or via the **Power Station** electrical installation, the electrical supplies to the relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module**.
- (g) The provisions of DOC5.7.3.2 (f) through to (m) shall thereafter be followed.
- (h) The **ISOP** and the **DNO** shall agree with the **Anchor Generator** when the test has been completed in accordance with the test requirements of the **DRZP**.

DOC5.7.3.4 Quick Resynchronisation Unit Test

- (a) If required by the **Distribution Restoration Contract**, the **Quick Re-synchronisation** unit test will be included as part of the **Anchor Power Generating Module Test**. The following requirements apply:

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- i. In case of disconnection of the **Anchor Power Generating Module** from the **System**, the **Power Generating Module** shall be capable of **Quick Re-synchronisation** in line with the **Protection** strategy agreed between the **DNO** and **Anchor Generator** in co-ordination with the **ISOP**;
 - ii. An **Anchor Power Generating Module** with a minimum **Re-Synchronisation** time greater than 15 minutes after its disconnection from any external power supply must be capable of houseload operation from any operating point on its **Anchor Power Generating Module** performance chart. In this case, the identification of houseload operation must not be based solely on switchgear position signals;
 - iii. **Anchor Power Generating Modules** shall be capable of houseload operation, irrespective of any auxiliary connection to the **Total System**. The minimum operation time shall be specified by the **DNO**, in liaison with the **ISOP**, taking into consideration the specific characteristics of prime mover technology.
- (b) The tests shall be performed as follows:
- i. The relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall be **Synchronised** and **Loaded**;
 - ii. All the auxiliary power sources used at the **Anchor Power Station** in which that **Anchor Power Generating Module** is situated shall be **Shutdown**.
 - iii. The **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall be tripped to house load.
 - iv. The relevant **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall be **Synchronised** but not **Loaded**, unless so instructed by the **DNO**.
- (c) The **ISOP** and the **DNO** shall agree with the **Anchor Generator** when the test has been completed in accordance with the test requirements of the **DRZP**.

DOC5.7.3.5 Tests for other Restoration Services

- (a) Prior to the test, the **DNO** will reconfigure its **System** as necessary to enable the test of the relevant **Equipment** to be completed whilst having due regard for the safety of **Plant** and personnel on its **System**.
- (b) The relevant **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** shall be operating normally, ie in the operational state it is anticipated to be in before the occurrence of a **Shutdown**;
- (c) All the auxiliary power supplies which relate to the relevant **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** shall be **Shutdown**.
- (d) The **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** shall be **De-Loaded**, **De-Synchronised** and **Shutdown** as appropriate and all alternating current electrical supplies to its auxiliaries shall be disconnected.
- (e) The auxiliary power supplies at the to the relevant **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** shall be made available and shall re-energise the unit board (or equivalent) of the relevant **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**.

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- (f) The auxiliaries of the relevant **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** shall be fed by the auxiliary power supplies, via the unit board (or equivalent), to enable the relevant **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** to return to a condition when it is ready to be reconnected and/or **Synchronised** to the **DNO's System**.
- (g) Relevant **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** shall be **Synchronised** but not **Loaded**, unless appropriate instruction has been specifically given to the **Restoration Contractor** by the **DNO**, following instruction from the **ISOP** to the **DNO** under BC2 of the **Grid Code** which would also be in accordance with the requirements of the **DRZP** and **Distribution Restoration Contract**.
- (h) The **DNO** and the **ISOP** shall agree with the **Restoration Contractor** when the test has been completed in accordance with the test requirements of the **DRZP**.

DOC5.7.3.6 **Restoration Contractors Power Resilience**

- (a) At least every three years all **Restoration Contractors** shall undertake tests to provide assurance that the resilient back up power supplies necessary for the operation of the relevant **Equipment** comply with the requirements of DPC6.8.3.
- (b) At least every three years all **Restoration Contractors** shall provide assurance that all of their **Equipment** is cyber secure as required by DPC6.8.4.

DOC5.7.3.7 **Telephony Tests**

Restoration Contractors shall initiate a system capability validation of the mains independent telephony system between them and the **DNO** at least once in every 12-month period.

DOC5.7.3.8 **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System Tests**

Where the **DNO** uses a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System** as part of the implementation of a **DRZP**, the **DNO** shall undertake tests to ensure, or otherwise demonstrate, the correct functioning of the **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System**. These shall be in accordance with the requirements of the **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System** standard as specified in the relevant electrical standards listed in the annex to the General Conditions in the **Grid Code**.

The **DNO** shall conduct the above assurance activities at least once every three years. **Restoration Contractors** shall co-operate with the **DNO** in facilitating these tests.

DOC5.7.4 **Test Failures/Re-Tests and Disputes**

DOC5.7.4.1 An **Anchor Power Generating Module** shall fail the test if it cannot be demonstrated that it has **Anchor Power Generating Module** capability as required by the applicable **Distribution Restoration Contract**.

DOC5.7.4.2 Other **Restoration Contractors' Plant** or **Apparatus** shall fail the test if it fails to **Synchronise** to the system and to provide the **Active Power** or **Reactive Power** output in accordance with that agreed in the applicable **Distribution Restoration Contract**.

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- DOC5.7.4.3 The **DNO** shall notify the **ISOP** where any such failure has an impact on the **DNO's** ability to activate a **Distribution Restoration Zone**.
- DOC5.7.4.4 If any **Restoration Contractor's Plant** or **Apparatus** fails to pass a **Restoration Service Test** the **Restoration Contractor** must provide the **DNO** and the **ISOP** with a written report specifying in reasonable detail the reasons for any failure of the test so far as they are then known to the **Restoration Contractor**. This must be provided within five **Business Days** of the test. If a dispute arises relating to the failure, the **DNO**, the **ISOP** and the relevant **Restoration Contractor** shall seek to resolve the dispute by discussion. To aid resolution of the dispute the **Restoration Contractor** may request the **DNO** and the **ISOP** to carry out a further **Restoration Service Test** on 48 hours' notice from the **Restoration Contractor** which shall be carried out following the procedure set out in sections DOC5.7.3.2 to DOC5.7.3.5 as the case may be.
- DOC5.7.4.5 If the **Restoration Contractor's Plant** or **Apparatus** concerned fails to pass the re-test and a dispute arises on that re-test, the parties may use the **CUSC Disputes Resolution Procedure** for a ruling in relation to the dispute, which ruling shall be binding.
- DOC5.7.4.6 If following the procedure in DOC5.7.4.4 and DOC5.7.4.5 it is accepted that the **Restoration Contractor's Plant** or **Apparatus** has failed the **Restoration Service Test** (or a re-test carried out under OC5.7.2.7), within 14 days, or such longer period as the **DNO** and the **ISOP** may reasonably agree, following such failure, the relevant **Restoration Contractor** shall submit to the **DNO** and the **ISOP** in writing for approval, the date and time by which that **Restoration Contractor** shall have brought the relevant **Plant** or **Apparatus** back to a suitable state and would pass the **Restoration Service Test**, and the **DNO** and the **ISOP** will not unreasonably withhold or delay its approval of the **Restoration Contractor's** proposed date and time submitted. Should the **DNO** and **NESO** not approve the **Restoration Contractor's** proposed date and time (or any revised proposal) the **Restoration Contractor** shall revise such proposal having regard to any comments the **DNO** and the **ISOP** may have made and resubmit it for approval.
- DOC5.7.4.7 Once the **Restoration Contractor** has indicated to the **DNO** and the **ISOP** that the **Restoration Contractor's Plant** or **Apparatus** has been restored to a suitable state, the **DNO** and the **ISOP** shall either accept this information or require the **Restoration Contractor** to demonstrate that the relevant **Plant** or **Apparatus** has its capability restored, by means of a repetition of the **Restoration Service Test** referred to in DOC5.7.2.4 following the same procedure as for the initial **Restoration Service Test**. The provisions of this DOC5.7 will apply to such test.
- DOC5.7.5 Awareness and training**
- DOC5.7.5.1 The **DNO** will participate with the **ISOP** in regular exercising of **Restoration Plans**. **Restoration Contractors** shall participate in the tests of those plans in relation to their **Distribution Restoration Contracts**.
- DOC5.7.5.2 Notwithstanding other testing requirements, **Restoration Contractors** will undertake shared desktop training and exercises with the **DNO** and the **ISOP** at least once every three years on a per contract basis to confirm:
- (a) That **Restoration Plans** are robust and sufficiently able to satisfy the requirements for **System Restoration**.
 - (b) There is a high level of confidence that **Restoration Contractors** will be able to deliver the service they have contracted to provide.

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- (c) There is a high level of confidence that **Restoration Contractors' Equipment** will be able to satisfy the requirements of DPC6.7.2.
- (d) There is a high level of assurance that **Restoration Plans** will be capable of contributing to the restoration of those sections of the **System** that they have been designed to re-establish.
- (e) That **Restoration Contractors** have contingency arrangements in place in order for them to receive and act upon instructions issued by **DNO** for a period of up to 72 hours following the loss of site supplies.
- (f) Ensure all communications systems used satisfy the minimum requirements of DPC6.7 and DPC6.8.

DOC5.7.5.3 As part of these exercises, **Restoration Contractors** are required to inform the **DNO** of any assumptions they make and any reasons why they would be unable to fulfil their obligations.

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DOC6 DEMAND CONTROL

DOC6.1 Introduction

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DOC6.1.1 This **Distribution Operating Code** DOC6 is concerned with the provisions to be made by the **DNO** and **Users** with **Systems** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** in certain circumstances, to permit reductions in **Demand** in the event of insufficient output from **Power Generating Modules**, and transfers from **External Interconnections** being available to meet **Demand** or to avoid disconnection of **Customers** or in the event of breakdown and/or operating problems (such as in respect of **System Frequency**, **System** voltage levels or **System** thermal overloads) on any part of the **National Electricity Transmission System** and/or the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DOC6.1.2 This **Distribution Operating Code** deals with the following methods of **Demand Control**:-

- (a) **Customer Voltage Reduction**, initiated by the **DNO** (other than following an instruction from the **ISOP**);
- (b) **Customer Demand** reduction by disconnection initiated by the **DNO** (other than following an instruction from the **ISOP**);
- (c) **Customer Demand** reduction instructed by the **ISOP**;
- (d) Automatic low frequency **Demand** disconnection; or
- (e) Emergency manual **Demand** disconnection.

The term "Demand Control" is used to describe any or all of these methods of achieving a Demand reduction.

Data relating to Demand Control should be expressed in MW.

DOC6.1.3 The situation where it is necessary to reduce **Demand** due to Civil Emergencies is dealt with in **Distribution Operating Code**, DOC9.

The Electricity Supply Emergency Code issued by the lead government department for energy emergencies (as amended from time to time) provides that in certain circumstances consumers are given a certain degree of "protection" when rota disconnections are implemented pursuant to a direction under the Energy Act 1976. No such protection can be given under the **Grid Code** or this section of the **Distribution Code** except:

- (a) In relation to **Customer Demand** reduction by disconnection initiated by the **DNO** in accordance with DOC6.1.2 (b); and
- (b) In relation to those **Demand** disconnection stages referenced in DOC6.4.3 (a), DOC6.4.3 (b)(ii) and DOC6.4.5.

In which case protection may be given, where technically feasible, to pre-designated protected sites, although, even in these situations, protection cannot be guaranteed. The list of pre-designated protected sites is compiled and kept up to

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date by **DNOs** in accordance with the terms set out in the Electricity Supply Emergency Code.

DOC6.1.4 Connections between any **Power Station** comprising **Power Generating Module(s)** which comprise or contain **BM Units** which are active (ie submitting bid-offer data) in the **Balancing Mechanism** and a **DNO's Distribution System** will not, as far as is possible, be disconnected by a **DNO** pursuant to the provisions of DOC6 insofar as that would interrupt supplies.

(a) For the purpose of operation of the **Power Station** (including start-up and shutting down).

(b) For the purposes of keeping the **Power Station** in a state that it could be started-up when it is off-load for ordinary operational reasons.

(c) For the purpose of compliance with the requirements of a Nuclear Site Licence.

Demand Control pursuant to this **DOC6** therefore applies subject to this exception.

DOC6.1.5 The control of **Demand Control** between the **DNO's Distribution System** and the **National Electricity Transmission System** will be carried out in accordance with Operating Code of the **Grid Code** and is outwith the scope of this **Distribution Operating Code**.

DOC6.2 **Objective**

To establish procedures to enable the **DNO**, following an instruction of the **ISOP** or otherwise, to achieve reduction in **Demand** that will either avoid or relieve operating problems on the **National Electricity Transmission System** and/or the **DNO's Distribution System**, in whole or in part in a manner that does not discriminate against or unduly prefer any one or any group of **Suppliers** or their **Customers** or **Other Authorised Distributors** in accordance with the **Distribution Licence**.

DOC6.3 **Scope**

This **Distribution Operating Code** will apply to the **DNO** and to **Users** which in this **Distribution Operating Code** means:

(a) **Customers** (it is not intended that the **Distribution Code** shall apply to small **Customers** individually).

(b) **Embedded Generators**.

(c) **Other Authorised Distributor** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DOC6.3.2 Implementation of **Demand Control** by the **DNO** may affect all **Suppliers' Customers** and where applicable, contractual arrangements between **Suppliers** and their **Customers** may need to reflect this.

DOC6.4 **Operational System Load Reduction Arrangements**

DOC6.4.1 The **DNO** will arrange within its **DNO's Distribution System** a scheme to reduce load in a controlled manner by reducing voltage and/or by disconnecting **Customers** and/or **Users**.

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DOC6.4.2 A **System** of warnings will be contained within the load reduction arrangements to give notice, wherever practical, of impending implementation.

DOC6.4.3 The **DNO** will arrange to have available within the **DNO's Distribution System**, four or five stages of **Demand Control**.

(a) Where four stages are made available they shall comprise four **Demand** disconnection stages each of which can reasonably be expected to deliver between four and six percent **Demand** reduction.

(b) Where five stages are made available they shall comprise:

(i) Two **Voltage Reduction** stages between two and four percent, each of which can reasonably be expected to deliver around 1.5 percent **Demand** reduction; and

(ii) Three **Demand** disconnection stages, each of which can reasonably be expected to deliver between four and six percent **Demand** reduction.

As stated in DOC6.1.3, protection may be given, where technically feasible, in relation to those **Demand** disconnection stages referred to in DOC6.4.3 and DOC6.4.5, although, even in these situations protection cannot be guaranteed.

DOC6.4.4 The groups will be arranged so that disconnection can take place uniformly across the **DNO's Distribution System**, and as far as practicable uniformly between **Grid Supply Points**.

DOC6.4.5 The **DNO** will arrange to have available a scheme to implement a further four stages of **Demand Control**, each of which can reasonably be expected to deliver between 4% and 6% **Demand** reduction, upon receipt of a suitable warning from the **ISOP** which will be issued by 1600 hrs on the previous day.

The **DNO** will arrange to have available a scheme to implement further twelve stages of **Demand Control**, each of which can reasonably be expected to deliver between 4% and 6% **Demand** reduction.

DOC6.4.6 **Embedded Generators, Suppliers, Customers and Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** will need to be considered in the preparation of **DNO's Demand Control** schemes.

DOC6.4.7 The **DNO** shall issue instructions to such **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System** who are required to disconnect or reconnect and the **User** shall carry out the instructions without delay.

DOC6.4.8 Once a disconnection has been applied at the instruction of the **DNO**, the **User** shall not reconnect until the **DNO** instructs the **User** to do so in accordance with this **Distribution Operating Code**.

DOC6.4.9 The **Users** shall abide by the instructions of the **DNO** with regard to reconnection under this **Distribution Operating Code** without delay.

DOC6.4.10 Where disconnection is envisaged by the **DNO** to be prolonged, the **DNO** may utilise disconnection rotas where 5 per cent groups are interchanged to ensure (so far as practicable) equitable treatment of **Customers**, provided that the proportion of total **Demand** disconnected at all times does not change.

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DOC6.5 Automatic Low Frequency Demand Disconnection

DOC6.5.1 The **DNO** shall provide automatic low frequency disconnection in stages by tripping relays to disconnect at least 40% of the **DNO's Distribution System Peak Demand** in Scotland and 60% of the **DNO's Distribution System Peak Demand** in England and Wales (based on the winter peak value), in order to seek to limit the consequences of the loss of a major source of generation or an **Event** on the **National Electricity Transmission System** which leaves part of the **Total System** with a generation deficit.

DOC6.5.2 The **Demand** subject to automatic low frequency disconnection shall be split into discrete blocks. The number, location and size of the blocks and the associated low frequency settings will be as specified by the **DNO**. The intention is that the distribution of the blocks will be such as to give a reasonably uniform application throughout the **DNO's Distribution System**, but may take into account any operational requirements and the essential nature of certain **Demand**.

DOC6.5.3 Where conditions are such that, following automatic low frequency disconnection, it is not possible to restore all or a great proportion of those **Customers** so disconnected within a reasonable period of time, the **DNO** may instruct, at any time, further manual load disconnection and instruct a portion of the **Customers** which were disconnected by automatic low frequency disconnection to be restored in order that any further fall in **Frequency** will be contained by operation of automatic low frequency disconnection.

DOC6.5.4 Once an automatic low frequency disconnection has taken place, it shall not be reconnected until the **DNO** instructs to do so in accordance with this **Distribution Operating Code**.

DOC6.5.5 Each **Supplier** and **Other Authorised Distributor** shall abide by the instructions of the **DNO** with regard to reconnection under this **Distribution Operating Code** without delay.

DOC6.5.6 In addition, **Embedded Generators** may wish to disconnect, automatically or manually, their plant from the **System** to which it is connected at certain frequency levels. Any such disconnection will be agreed with the **DNO** on connection to the **DNO's Distribution System** in accordance with the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code**.

DOC6.6 Emergency Manual Disconnection of Demand

DOC6.6.1 The **DNO** shall make such arrangements as are necessary to enable it to disconnect **Customers** under emergency conditions irrespective of frequency.

DOC6.6.2 The **DNO** shall annually, by the end of September, prepare schedules with details, on a **Grid Supply Point** basis and including arrangements with **Users**, of the percentage block of **Demand** at that **Grid Supply Point** available for manual disconnection, the method of disconnection to be used and the timescale of the implementation of disconnection of each block.

DOC6.6.3 The scheme will be designed to be called into operation irrespective of **System Frequency**, and to be implemented in predetermined timescales to disconnect **Demand** progressively.

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- DOC6.6.4 **Customers and Other Authorised Distributors** may be required to provide manual disconnection facilities. Where required by the **DNO** to disconnect load, each **Customer** or **Other Authorised Distributor** shall abide by the instructions of the **DNO** with regard to disconnection under this **Distribution Operating Code** without delay and the instructed disconnection must be completed without undue delay.
- DOC6.6.5 Once a disconnection has been applied at the instruction of the **DNO** reconnection shall not be applied until the **DNO** instructs it to be done in accordance with this **Distribution Operating Code**.
- DOC6.6.6 Each **Customer** and **Other Authorised Distributor** shall abide by the instructions of the **DNO** with regard to reconnection under this **Distribution Operating Code** without delay.
- DOC6.7 **Co-ordination of Actions**
- DOC6.7.1 Where **Demand Control** is exercised by the **DNO** in order to safeguard the **DNO's Distribution System** the **DNO** will liaise with and inform **Users** accordingly so far as is practical.
- DOC6.7.2 Where **Demand Control** is exercised by the **DNO** on instruction or request from the **ISOP** in order to safeguard the **Total System** then the **DNO** is required to respond to these requests promptly but will liaise with and inform other **Users** so far as is practical.

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DOC7 OPERATIONAL LIAISON

DOC7.1 Introduction

DOC7.1.1 This **Distribution Operating Code** DOC7 sets out the requirements for the exchange of information in relation to **Operations** and/or **Events** on the **DNO's Distribution System** and on the immediately adjacent parts of adjoining **Systems** which have had (or may have had), or will have (or may have) an **Operational Effect**.

- (a) on the **DNO's Distribution System** or on the **System** of any other **User** in the case of an **Operation** and/or **Event** occurring on the **System** of a **User**, and
- (b) on the **System** of a **User** in the case of an **Operation** and/or **Event** occurring on the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System**,

where no requirement for liaison is specified in any other section of the **Distribution Code**.

DOC7.1.2 The requirement to notify in DOC7 relates generally to communicating what has happened or what is to happen and not the reasons why. However, DOC7 provides, when an **Event** has occurred on the **DNO's Distribution System** which itself has been caused by (or exacerbated by) an **Operation** or **Event** on a **User's System**, the **DNO** in reporting the **Event** on the **DNO's Distribution System** to a **User** can pass on what it has been told by the **User** in relation to the **Operation** on that **User's System**.

DOC7.2 Objective

To provide for the exchange of information so that the implications of the **Operation** and/or **Event** can be considered and the possible risks arising from it can be assessed and appropriate action taken by the relevant party in order to maintain the integrity of the **Total System** and the **User's System**. This **Distribution Operating Code** does not seek to deal with any actions arising from the exchange of information, but merely with that exchange.

DOC7.3 Scope

This Distribution Operating Code applies to the **DNO** and to **Users**, which in this Distribution Operating Code means:-

- (g) **High Voltage Customers**.
- (h) **Embedded Generators** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (i) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (j) **Suppliers** on behalf of their **Customers** where appropriate.

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DOC7.4 **Communications**

DOC7.4.1 The **DNO** and each **User** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** will establish communication channels to make effective the exchange of information required by DOC7.

DOC7.4.2 Communication should, as far as possible, be direct between the **User** and the operator of the network to which that **User** is connected.

DOC7.4.3 Information between a **DNO** and **Users** will be exchanged on the reasonable request of either party. The request may follow a specific **Operation** or **Event**, or be in accordance with a prior agreement to exchange information on particular types of **Operation** or **Event**.

This does not preclude the voluntary exchange of information which may be perceived as being relevant to the operation of the **DNO** or **User System**, in accordance with good operating practice.

DOC7.5 **Requirement to notify Operations**

DOC7.5.1 **Notification Requirements**

DOC7.5.1.1 In the case of an **Operation** on the **DNO's Distribution System** or on receipt of notification of an **Operation** on the **National Electricity Transmission System**, which will have or may, in the opinion of the **DNO**, have an **Operational Effect** on the **System** of a **User** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**, the **DNO** will notify the **User** in accordance with DOC7.

DOC7.5.1.2 In the case of an **Operation** on the **System** of a **User** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**, which, in the opinion of the **User**, will have or may have an **Operational Effect** on the **DNO's Distribution System**, the **User** will notify the **DNO** in accordance with DOC7.

DOC7.5.1.3 An **Operation** may be caused by another **Operation** or an **Event** on another's **System** and in such situations the information to be notified is different from that where the **Operation** arose independently of any other **Operation** or **Event**.

DOC7.5.1.4 Whilst in no way limiting the general requirement to notify in advance as set out in this part of this **Distribution Operating Code**, DOC7.5, the following are examples of circumstances where notification may be required in accordance with this **Distribution Operating Code**:-

- (a) The implementation of a scheduled outage of **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** which has been arranged pursuant to **Distribution Operating Code** DOC2.
- (b) The **Operation** (other than, in the case of a **User**, at the instruction of the **DNO**) of a circuit breaker or isolator or any sequence or combination of the two, including any temporary over-stressing, **System** parallels, or **Power Generating Module** synchronising.
- (c) Voltage control.

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DOC7.5.2 Form of Notification

DOC7.5.2.1 A notification under DOC7.5.1 will be of sufficient detail to describe the **Operation**, although it need not state the cause, and to enable the recipient of the notification reasonably to consider and assess the implications and risks arising and will include the name of the individual reporting the **Operation** on behalf of the **DNO** or the **User**, as the case may be. The recipient may seek clarification of the notification.

DOC7.5.2.2 The notification may be written or oral. Written notification must be of an immediate form such as electronic mail. Where the notification is oral, it shall be written down by the sender and be dictated to the recipient who shall write it down and repeat each phrase as received and on completion shall repeat the notification in full to the sender and check that it has been accurately recorded.

DOC7.5.3 Timing

A notification under DOC7.5.12 shall be given in sufficient time as will reasonably allow the recipient to consider and assess the implications and risks arising, and to undertake mitigating actions.

DOC7.6 Requirement to Notify Events

DOC7.6.1 Notification Requirements

DOC7.6.1.1 In the case of an **Event** on the **DNO's Distribution System** or on receipt of notification of an **Event** on the **National Electricity Transmission System**, which, in the opinion of the **DNO**, might have had or will have an **Operational Effect** on the **System** of a **User** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**, the **DNO** will notify the **User** in accordance with this DOC7. This does not preclude any **User** asking the **DNO**, to whose **System** he is connected, for information regarding the **Event** which has affected the **User's System**.

DOC7.6.1.2 In the case of an **Event** on the **System** of a **User** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**, which has had or may have had an **Operational Effect** on the **DNO's Distribution System** or on the **National Electricity Transmission System**, the **User** will notify the **DNO** in accordance with this DOC7.

DOC7.6.1.3 An **Event** may be caused by (or exacerbated by) another **Event** or by an **Operation** on another's **System** and in that situation the information to be notified is different from that where the **Event** arose independently or any other **Event** or **Operation**.

DOC7.6.1.4 Whilst in no way limiting the general requirement to notify set out in this part of this **Distribution Operating Code**, DOC7.6, the following are examples of circumstances where notification may be required in accordance with this **Distribution Operating Code**:-

- (a) Where **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** is being operated in excess of its capability or may present a hazard to personnel.
- (b) The actuation of an alarm or indication of an abnormal operating condition.
- (c) Adverse weather conditions being experienced or forecast.

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(d) Breakdown of, or faults on, or temporary changes in the capabilities of, **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** including **Protection** control, communications and metering equipment.

(e) Increased risk of inadvertent **Protection** operation.

DOC7.6.2 **Form of Notification**

DOC7.6.2.1 A notification under DOC7.6.1 of an **Event**, although it need not state the cause, shall be of sufficient detail to enable the recipient of the notification to reasonably consider and assess the implications and risks arising. Details of the **Event** should include the timescale and the probability of repeat occurrences within a period. The recipient may seek clarification of the notification.

DOC7.6.2.2 The notification may be written or oral. Written notification must be of an immediate form such as electronic mail. Except in an emergency situation any oral notification shall, be written down by the sender and dictated to the recipient who shall write it down and repeat each phrase as received and on completion shall repeat the notification in full to the sender and check that it has been accurately recorded.

DOC7.6.3 **Timing**

A notification under DOC7.6.1 shall be given as soon as practicable after the occurrence of the **Event**, or time that the **Event** is known of or anticipated by the giver of the notification under this **Distribution Operating Code** DOC7.

DOC7.7 **System Control**

DOC7.7.1 Where a part of a **DNO's Distribution System** is, by agreement, under the **System Control** of the **National Electricity Transmission System Control Centre** then the requirements and provisions of the **Grid Code** shall apply to that situation as if that **DNO's Distribution System** was the **National Electricity Transmission System**.

DOC7.7.2 Where a part of a **User's System** is, by agreement, under the **System Control** of a **Distribution Control Centre** the **DNO**, then the requirements and provisions of this **Distribution Operating Code** shall apply to that situation as if that **System** was part of the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DOC7.8. **Significant Incidents**

DOC7.8.1 Where an **Event** on the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System** or the **System** of a **User**, in the opinion of the **DNO**, has had or may have had a significant effect on the **System** of any of the others, the **Event** shall be reported in writing to the owner of the **System** affected in accordance with the provisions of **Distribution Operating Code** DOC10. Such an **Event** will be termed a "**Significant Incident**".

DOC7.8.2 Where the **DNO** notifies a **User** of an **Event** under DOC7, which the **User** considers has had or may have a significant effect on that **User's System**, that **User** will require the **DNO** to report that **Event** in writing and will notify the **DNO** accordingly. Such an **Event** will also be termed a "**Significant Incident**".

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DOC7.8.3 Without limiting the general description set out in DOC7.8.1 or DOC7.4.10.2 a **Significant Incident** will include **Events** which result in, or may result in, the following:

- (a) Voltage outside statutory limits.
- (b) **System Frequency** outside statutory limits.
- (c) **System** instability.

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DOC8 SAFETY CO-ORDINATION

DOC8.1 Introduction

DOC8.1.1 This **Distribution Operating Code DOC8** specifies the **Safety Management System** criteria to be applied by the **DNO** and **Users** for the co-ordination, establishment and maintenance of necessary **Safety Precautions** when work or testing is to be carried out on **Plant** and/or **Apparatus of the DNO** or a **User** and where for this to be done safely, isolation on and/or earthing of the other's **System** is needed. This **Distribution Operating Code** does not apply to the situation where **Safety Precautions** need to be agreed solely between **Users**.

DOC8.1.2 This **Distribution Operating Code** does not seek to impose a particular set of **Safety Rules** on the **DNO** and **Users**. The **Safety Rules** to be adopted and used by the **DNO** and each **User** shall be those chosen by each.

DOC8.2 Objectives

To lay down requirements with a view to ensuring safety of persons working at or across Operational and Ownership Boundaries between the **DNO's Distribution System** and **Users' Systems**.

DOC8.3 Scope

This **Distribution Operating Code DOC8** specifies the **Safety Management System** criteria to be applied by the **DNO** and all **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System** at or across an **Operational Boundary**, **Users** for the purposes of this **Distribution Operating Code** being:-

- (a) **High Voltage Customers**.
- (b) **Embedded Generators**, but excluding the **OTSO**.
- (c) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (d) **Meter Operators**.
- (e) Any other party reasonably specified by the **DNO** including **Users** with **Unmetered Supply** and those connected at **Low Voltage** for appropriate sections of **DOC8** where necessary.

DOC8.4 Operational Safety

DOC8.4.1 Approved Safety Management Systems

DOC8.4.1.1 At each site or location where an **Operational Boundary** exists, a **Safety Management System** specifying the principles and procedures to be applied so as to ensure the health and safety of all who are liable to be working or testing on the **DNO's Distribution System**, or on **Plant** and **Apparatus** connected to it, will be established by the **DNO** and **Users**. For interfaces involving **HV Systems** this shall include the provision for **Control Person(s)**, a system of documentation and the establishment of **Safety Precautions**.

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DOC8.4.2 **Authorised Persons**

DOC8.4.2.1 The **DNO** and every **User** shall at all times have nominated a person or persons to be responsible for the co-ordination of safety pursuant to this **Distribution Operating Code**, those persons being referred to in this **Distribution Operating Code** as **Control Persons**. (Under the conditions of the **DNO's Safety Rules** a **Control Person** may either be at the **DNO's Distribution Control Centre** or be a person authorised in accordance with DOC8.4.2.2, who is at the site or location of the **Operational Boundary**).

DOC8.4.2.2 **Control Persons** and persons concerned with the carrying out of **Safety Precautions** and work on or testing of **Plant** and **Apparatus** forming part of, or connected to, the **DNO's Distribution System** shall have a written authorisation designating their role in implementing the **Safety Management System**.

DOC8.4.2.3 The written authorisation shall indicate the class of **Operation** and/or the class of work permitted and the parts of the **System, the DNO** and/or **Users**, to which the written authorisation shall apply.

DOC8.4.3 **System of Documentation**

DOC8.4.3.1 A system of documentation shall be maintained by the **DNO** and the appropriate **Users** which will record the inter-system **Safety Precautions** taken when:-

- (a) Work and/or testing is to be carried out on **HV Plant** and/or **Apparatus** across the **Operational Boundary**.
- (b) Isolation and/or earthing of the other's **System** is required.

DOC8.4.3.2 Where relevant, copies of the **Safety Management Systems** and related documentation shall be exchanged between the **DNO** and **Users** for each **Operational Boundary**.

DOC8.4.3.3 The **DNO** and **Users** shall maintain a suitable system of documentation which records all relevant operational events that have taken place on the **DNO's Distribution System** or any other **System** connected to it and the co-ordination of relevant **Safety Precautions** for work.

DOC8.4.3.4 All documentation relevant to the **Operation** of the **Distribution System**, and **Safety Precautions** taken for work or tests, shall be held by the **DNO** and the appropriate **User** for a period of not less than six months.

DOC8.4.4 **Safety Precautions**

The establishment of **Safety Precautions** involves:-

- (a) the isolation from the remainder of the **System of Plant** and/or **Apparatus**, including from **Low Voltage** infeeds, either by an **Isolating Device** in the isolating position and immobilised and locked or by other means of rendering the **Plant** or **Apparatus Isolated**, and/or
- (b) the earthing by way of providing a connection between a conductor and earth by using an **Earthing Device** which is applied and where reasonably practicable, immobilised and locked, the extent of the **Safety Precautions** required being determined pursuant to this **Distribution Operating Code**.

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DOC8.5 Environmental Safety

DOC8.5.1 Site Safety and Security

DOC8.5.1.1 Arrangements shall be made by the **DNO** and **Users** to ensure site safety and security as required by statutory requirements.

DOC8.5.1.2 Suitable arrangements shall be agreed between the **DNO** and the relevant **Users** to provide free and unrestricted access to the **DNO's Plant** and **Apparatus** at substations or similar by the **DNO's** personnel or their designated representatives at all times.

DOC8.5.2 Site Specific Hazards

Suitable arrangements shall be made by the **DNO** and/or the relevant **Users** to ensure that personnel are warned by an appropriate means of hazards specific to any site, before entering any area of the site. This shall include hazards that may be temporary or permanent. Where these risks include contamination or similar, suitable decontamination facilities and procedures shall be provided.

DOC8.6 Information Flow and Co-ordination

DOC8.6.1 Schedules of Responsibility

DOC8.6.1.1 The **DNO** and **Users** shall jointly agree and set down in writing schedules specifying the responsibilities for **System Control of Equipment**. These shall ensure that only one party is responsible for any item of **Plant** or **Apparatus** at any one time.

DOC8.6.1.2 Pursuant to the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code, Site Responsibility Schedules** specifying the responsibilities for ownership, operation and maintenance shall be jointly agreed by the **DNO** and the appropriate **User(s)** for each site or location where an **Operational Boundary** or joint responsibility exists. This will include **Operation Diagrams** illustrating sufficient information for **Control Persons** to carry out their duties which shall be exchanged by the **DNO** and the appropriate **User**.

DOC8.6.1.3 A copy of the **Site Responsibility Schedules** and **Operation Diagrams** shall be retained by the **DNO** and the appropriate **User(s)**. **Site Responsibility Schedules** and **Operation Diagrams** shall be maintained by the **DNO** and the appropriate **User(s)** and exchanged as necessary to ensure that they reflect the current agreements.

DOC8.6.2 Outage Co-ordination

DOC8.6.2.1 For those **Users** connected at **HV** and having firm supply connections (provided by more than one circuit) and where the **User** so requests the **DNO**, these schedules shall identify those specified **DNO** circuits on which **Planned Outages** by the **DNO** shall be notified to the **User**. These specified circuits will be those where the **DNO** and the **User** have agreed that during outages of the specified circuits the **User** can introduce measures to manage critical processes or safety aspects. These specified circuits will usually operate at the voltage level at which the supply is provided and will have a significant effect on the security level of the **User's** supply.

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DOC8.6.2.2 Those **Users** connected at **HV** and not having firm supply connections (provided by more than one circuit) may seek to obtain outage planning information through arrangements with the **DNO**.

DOC8.6.3 Nomination of Control Persons

The **DNO** and each **User** shall at all times have nominated a **Control Person** or **Control Persons** responsible for co-ordination of **Safety From The System** pursuant to this **Distribution Operating Code**.

DOC8.6.4 Communications

DOC8.6.4.1 Where the **DNO** reasonably specifies the need, suitable communication systems shall be established between the **DNO** and other **Users** to ensure the control function is carried out in a safe and secure manner.

DOC8.6.4.2 Where the **DNO** reasonably decides a backup or alternative routing of communication is necessary to provide for the safe and secure **Operation** of the **DNO's Distribution System** the means shall be agreed with the appropriate **Users**.

DOC8.6.4.3 Schedules of telephone numbers/call signs shall be exchanged by the **DNO** and appropriate **User** to enable control activities to be efficiently co-ordinated.

DOC8.6.4.4 The **DNO** and appropriate **Users** will establish 24-hour availability of personnel with suitable authorisation where the joint operational requirements demand it.

DOC8.7 Procedures

DOC8.7.1 Pursuant to this **Distribution Operating Code** the **Control Person** and/or Authorised Persons for each of the **DNO** and a **User** relating to the place where **Safety Precautions** are required will contact each other to coordinate the **Safety Precautions**, and the **Control Person** requesting **Safety Precautions** shall be referred to as the "**Requesting Control Person**" and the **Control Person** being requested and implementing the **Safety Precautions** shall be referred to as the "**Implementing Control Person**".

DOC8.7.2 Procedures shall be maintained by the **DNO** and the appropriate **Users** which clearly specify the responsibility for **System Control** of **Plant** and **Apparatus** and these shall ensure that only one **Control Person** is responsible for any item of **Plant** and **Apparatus** at any one time.

DOC8.7.3 The operational procedures shall be in accordance with the **Safety Management System** agreed between the **DNO** and the **User(s)**.

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DOC9 CONTINGENCY PLANNING

DOC9.1 Introduction

This **Distribution Operating Code** DOC9 sets out requirements and procedures relating to the following planning procedures for abnormal situations:

DOC9.1.1 System Restoration

This **Distribution Operating Code** DOC9 covers the requirements for the implementation of **System Restoration** procedures following a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** of the **Total System** as recognised by the **ISOP**. The **System Restoration** procedure provides for the recovery of the **Total System** in the shortest possible time taking into account **Power Station** capabilities and the operational constraints of the **Total System**, in accordance with the **Grid Code** and the requirements of the **ISOP**.

The **ESO Licence** includes the obligation to comply with the Electricity System Restoration Direction in relation to the restoration of electricity **Demand** in all regions of **GB**.

Two principal recovery routes exist, via **LJRPs**, and via **DRZPs** collectively known as **Restoration Plans**. Their requirements are described separately in this DOC9.

In practice and in order to re-establish the integrity of the **Total System** and reconnect **Demand** in as short a time as possible, it is expected that the **ISOP** will activate **LJRPs** and **DRZPs** in parallel. Any **LJRP** and/or **DRZP** comprising common **DNO** or **Restoration Contractor** assets cannot be activated at the same time. However this would not preclude a **LJRP** or **DRZP** from being activated at the same site(s) where there is segregation between them and the assets involved.

DOC9.1.2 Re-synchronising Islands

The **ISOP** will co-ordinate the **Resynchronisation** of **Power Islands** in such cases where there is no **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** but parts of the **Total System** are out of **Synchronism** with each other.

DOC9.1.3 Joint System Incident Procedure

The requirements for the establishment of a communication route and arrangements between responsible representatives of the **DNO** and **Users** involved in, or who may be involved in, an actual or potential serious or widespread **Total System** disruption which requires or may require urgent managerial response, day or night.

DOC9.1.4 Civil Emergencies

The requirements for dealing with a Civil Emergency which under the **Act** is any natural disaster or other emergency which, in the opinion of the **Secretary of State**, is or may be likely to disrupt electricity supplies. The procedures may be similar to, or separate from, the **Demand** reduction schemes in **Distribution Operating Code** DOC6.

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DOC9.2 Objectives

This **Distribution Operating Code** sets out Contingency Planning procedures to enable co-ordination between all **Users** with a common approach to give uniformity of priorities to restart or to operate the **Total System** in abnormal situations. It also specifies requirements to be met during periods of declared civil emergencies.

DOC9.3 Scope

This Distribution Operating Code applies to the **DNO** and to **Users** which in this Distribution Operating Code means, the **Users** specified below with a **HV** connection to the **DNO's Distribution System**:

- (a) **Customers** (it is not intended that the **Distribution Code** shall apply to small **Customers** individually).
- (b) **Embedded Generators**, but excluding the **OTSO**.
- (c) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.

Any actions required of **Users** connected at **HV** will be identified by the **DNO** and discussed with **Users**.

DOC9.4 System Restoration

DOC9.4.1 Shutdown

DOC9.4.1.1 During a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** and during the subsequent recovery the Security Standards set out in, or deriving authority pursuant to, the **ESO Licence** and the **Distribution Licence** may not apply and the **Total System** may be operated outside normal voltage and **Frequency** standards.

DOC9.4.1.2 In a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**, it may be necessary for the **ISOP** to issue emergency instructions and it may be necessary to depart from the normal **Balancing Mechanism** operation in issuing bid-offer acceptances.

DOC.9.4.2 Local Joint Restoration Plans

DOC9.4.2.1 Certain **Power Stations** (which may or may not be **Embedded**) are recognised by the **ISOP** as having the ability of at least one of its **Power Generating Modules** to start up from **Shutdown** without connections to external power supplies. Such **Power Stations** are to be referred to as **Anchor Power Stations**.

DOC9.4.2.2 For each **Anchor Power Station** plans will be put in place, in accordance with the **Grid Code** which, in the event of a **Partial Shutdown** or **Total Shutdown**, will provide for the establishment of a **Power Island**. These plans are known as **LJRPs**, produced jointly by the **ISOP**, relevant **Transmission Licensees**, the **DNO** and the **Anchor Generator**. **DNOs** will be party to these Plans irrespective of whether the **Anchor Power Station** is **Embedded**.

DOC9.4.3 Distribution Restoration Zone Plans

DOC9.4.3.1 Certain **Embedded Power Stations** are recognised by the **DNO** and the **ISOP** as having the capability of at least one of its **Power Generating Modules** to start up from **Shutdown** without connections to external power supplies and be able to

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energise part of the **DNO's Distribution System** within 8 hours. Such **Power Stations** where their owner has a **Distribution Restoration Contract** are referred to as **Anchor Power Stations**, and their owners as **Anchor Generators**.

DOC9.4.3.2 For each **Anchor Power Station** plans will be put in place in accordance with the **Grid Code** which, in the event of a **Partial Shutdown** or **Total Shutdown**, will provide for the creation of a **Power Island**. These plans are known as **DRZPs** and are a multi-party agreement between the **ISOP**, the **DNO**, **Restoration Contractors** (including the **Anchor Generator**) and where necessary the relevant **Transmission Licensee**.

DOC9.4.3.3 In Scotland a **DRZP** will be under the direction of the relevant **Transmission Licensee**. Any instruction to activate a **DRZP** will be issued by the relevant **Transmission Licensee**.

DOC9.4.4 **Situations requiring System Restoration**

In the event of a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown**, the **DNO** will, as soon as reasonably practicable, inform **Users** which, in the **DNO's** opinion, need to be informed that a **Total Shutdown** or, as the case may be, a **Partial Shutdown**, exists and that the **ISOP** intends to implement the **System Restoration** procedure.

In Scotland, in exceptional circumstances, as specified in the **LJRP**, the relevant **Transmission Licensee** may invoke such **LJRP** for its own **Transmission System** and operate within its provisions.

DOC9.4.5 **System Restoration Recovery Procedure**

DOC9.4.5.1 The procedure necessary for a recovery from a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** is known as **System Restoration**, the main objective of which is the restoration of the **Total System** as an integrated whole as soon as possible bearing in mind the restoration of **Customers**. The procedure for a **Partial Shutdown** is the same as that for a **Total Shutdown** except that it applies only to a part of the **Total System**. It should be remembered that a **Partial Shutdown** may affect parts of the **Total System** which are not themselves shut down.

DOC9.4.5.2 The complexities and uncertainties of recovery from a **Total Shutdown** or **Partial Shutdown** require that **System Restoration** is sufficiently flexible in order to accommodate the full range of **Power Generating Module** and **Total System** characteristics and operational possibilities and this precludes the setting out of concise chronological sequences. The overall strategy will in general include the overlapping phases of establishment of isolated groups of **Power Generating Facilities** together with complementary local **Demand** termed **Power Islands**, step by step integration of these groups into larger sub-systems and eventually re-establishment of a complete **Total System**.

DOC9.4.5.3 Where there are no **Power Generating Facilities** with a contracted **System Restoration** capability within the **DNO's Distribution System**, then restoration of supply may be substantially delayed while the **ISOP** or the relevant **Transmission Licensee** re-establishes the **National Electricity Transmission System** or part of the **National Electricity Transmission System** from a restored **Power Island**. The **DNO** shall re-appraise the priorities in these situations and restore supplies in accordance with such priorities.

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DOC9.4.6 Restoration Plan Establishment

The following process shall apply for the establishment of **Restoration Plans**:

- DOC9.4.6.1 For a **LJRP**, the **ISOP** will identify the need to introduce or modify a **LJRP** and coordinate with the relevant parties as required in this DOC9.4.6.
- DOC9.4.6.2 For a **DRZP** where the **ISOP** and the **DNO** agree that introducing or modifying a **Distribution Restoration Zone** may be beneficial, the **DNO**, the **ISOP**, and the relevant **Transmission Licensee** (where appropriate) shall explore the possibility of establishing a **DRZP** as required in this DOC9.4.6.
- DOC9.4.6.3 The **DNO**, the **ISOP** and the relevant **Transmission Licensee** (where appropriate) will discuss and agree the detail of a **Restoration Plan** as soon as reasonably practicable after the potential requirement for a **Restoration Plan** is identified. This may involve discussions between relevant potential **Restoration Contractors**, the **DNO** and the **ISOP**.
- DOC9.4.6.4 For a **DRZP** an initial feasibility assessment carried out jointly by the **ISOP** and the **DNO** may result in the **ISOP** running a procurement and/or tender process. If after discussions or analysis, the **ISOP**, the **DNO** and the relevant **Transmission Licensee** (where appropriate) agree a **DRZP** is not viable, then no further work to develop the **DRZP** needs to be carried out.
- DOC9.4.6.5 The preparation of each **Restoration Plan** shall include a check whether any network assets cited in each **Restoration Plan** are included in any other **Restoration Plan**, and if so, all the **LJRPs** or **DRZPs** containing common assets shall include a specific step that prohibits more than one of any of these **Restoration Plans** from being activated at any one point in time.
- DOC9.4.6.6 The **Restoration Plan** will record which **Restoration Contractors** and which **Restoration Contractor's Equipment** are covered by the **Restoration Plan** and set out what is required from the **DNO**, the **ISOP**, the relevant **Transmission Licensee** and each **Restoration Contractor** should a **System Restoration** situation arise.
- DOC9.4.6.7 **Restoration Plans** may allow for one of several **Restoration Contractors** to take the single role of the **Anchor Generator** within the plan and others to take the roles of **Top Up Restoration Contractors**. Each **Restoration Plan** will only deploy one **Anchor Power Station** when the **Restoration Plan** is activated, and on activation one of the first tasks shall be the designation of the **Anchor Generator** and confirmation of which parties are acting as **Top Up Restoration Contractors**.
- DOC9.4.6.8 Each **LJRP** shall be prepared by the **ISOP** and each **DRZP** shall be prepared by the **DNO**. In both cases the **Restoration Plan** will be agreed between the **DNO**, the **ISOP**, the relevant **Transmission Licensee** and relevant **Restoration Contractors**.
- DOC9.4.6.9 Each page of a **Restoration Plan** shall bear a date of issue and the issue number.
- DOC9.4.6.10 When a **Restoration Plan** has been prepared, it shall be sent to all parties involved for confirmation of its accuracy.

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- DOC9.4.6.11 The **Restoration Plan** shall then (if its accuracy has been confirmed) be signed on behalf of the **DNO**, the **ISOP**, each relevant **Transmission Licensee** and each relevant **Restoration Contractor** by way of written confirmation of its accuracy.
- DOC9.4.6.12 Once agreed under this DOC9.4.6, the procedure will become a **Restoration Plan** under the **Grid Code** and **Distribution Code** and (subject to any change pursuant to this DOC9) will apply between the **DNO**, the **ISOP** the relevant **Transmission Licensee** and the relevant **Restoration Contractors** as if it were part of the **Grid Code** and **Distribution Code**.
- DOC9.4.6.13 A copy of each signed **LJRP** will be distributed by the **ISOP**, to the **DNO**, the relevant **Transmission Licensee** and to each **Restoration Contractor** who is a party to it accompanied by a note indicating the date of implementation.
- DOC9.4.6.14 A copy of each signed **DRZP** will be distributed by the **DNO** to the **ISOP**, the relevant **Transmission Licensee** and to each **Restoration Contractor** who is a party to it accompanied by a note indicating the date of implementation.
- DOC9.4.6.15 The **DNO**, the **ISOP**, the relevant **Transmission Licensee** and **Restoration Contractors** must make the **Restoration Plan** readily available to the relevant operational staff.
- DOC9.4.6.16 Each **Restoration Plan** will include the test criteria to be satisfied by each **Restoration Contractor's Equipment** when subject to the testing requirements of DOC5.7.3.
- DOC9.4.6.17 If any party to a **Restoration Plan**, becomes aware that a change is needed to that **Restoration Plan**, it shall in the case of **LJRP** contact the **ISOP** or in the case of a **DRZP** the **DNO**, to initiate a discussion between the **DNO**, the **ISOP** and the relevant parties to seek to agree the relevant change. The principles applying to establishing or modifying a **Restoration Plan** under this DOC9.4.6 shall apply to such discussions and to any consequent changes.

DOC9.4.7 **Restoration Plan Testing**

- DOC.9.4.7.1 The **DNO**, the **ISOP**, the relevant **Transmission Licensee** and the relevant **Restoration Contractors** will conduct regular joint exercises of the **Restoration Plan(s)** to which they are parties. The objectives of such exercises include:
- To test the effectiveness of the **Restoration Plan(s)**;
 - To provide for joint training of the parties in respect of the **Restoration Plans**;
 - To maintain the parties' awareness and familiarity of the **Restoration Plans**;
 - To promote understanding of each parties' roles under a **Restoration Plans**; and
 - To identify any improvement areas which should be incorporated in to the **Restoration Plans**.

The principles applying to the establishment of a new **Restoration Plans** under DOC9.4.6 shall apply to any changes to the **Restoration Plans**.

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- DOC9.4.7.2 The **ISOP** in coordination with the **DNO** will propose to the other parties of a **Restoration Plans** a date for the exercise to take place to be agreed with the other parties. All the **Restoration Plans** parties will jointly share the task of planning, preparing, participating in and facilitating the exercises, which will normally be in desktop format or as otherwise agreed. The precise timing of the exercise for each **Restoration Plans** will be agreed by all parties, but will not be less than one every three years.
- DOC9.4.8 **Restoration Plan Provisions**
- DOC9.4.8.1 The following provisions of this DOC9.4.8 apply in relation to **Restoration Plans**.
- DOC9.4.8.2 For **LJRPs** the **ISOP** is the lead operator (or the relevant **Transmission Licensee** where appropriate); for **DRZPs** the **DNO** is the lead operator.
- DOC9.4.8.3 Where the lead operator issues instructions which conflict with a **Restoration Plan** these instructions will take precedence over the requirements of the **Restoration Plan**.
- (a) When issuing such instructions, the lead operator will state whether or not it wishes the remainder of the **Restoration Plan** to apply. Where the lead operator has stated that it wishes the remainder of the **Restoration Plan** to apply the other parties to the plan may give notice that it is not possible to operate the **Restoration Plan** to the lead operator and the other parties to plan.
- (b) The lead operator shall immediately consult with all parties to the **Restoration Plan**. Unless all parties reach agreement as to how the **Restoration Plan** shall operate in those circumstances, operation in accordance with the **Restoration Plan** will terminate and parties will be relieved of their obligations under the **Restoration Plan** in accordance with DOC9.4.8.7 below.
- DOC9.4.8.4 The preparation of each **Restoration Plan** shall include a check whether any network assets cited in the **Restoration Plan** are included in another **Restoration Plan**, and if so, all the **LJRPs** and **DRZPs** containing common assets shall include a specific step that prohibits more than one of any of these plans from being activated at any one point in time.
- DOC9.4.8.5 The lead operator shall advise other relevant parties of any requirement to switch their **User Systems** to segregate their **Demand** and to carry out such other actions as set out in the **Restoration Plan**. The relevant party shall then operate in accordance with the provisions of the **Restoration Plan**.
- DOC9.4.8.6 Following notification from the **Restoration Contractor** with the **Anchor Power Generating Module** that the **Anchor Power Generating Module** is ready to accept load, the lead operator shall instruct the **Anchor Generator** to energise part of the **Total System**. The **Anchor Generator** and the other relevant parties (if any) shall then, in accordance with the requirements of the **Restoration Plan**, establish communication and agree the output of their **Plant** and the connection of **Demand** so as to establish a **Power Island**. During this period, the **Anchor Generator** together with any **Top Up Restoration Contractors** will be required to regulate the output of their **Equipment** to the **Demand** prevailing in the **Power Island** in which they are situated, on the basis that they will (where practicable) seek to maintain the **Target Frequency**. **Restoration Contractors' Equipment** will (where practical) also seek to follow the requirements relating to **Reactive Power**

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(which may include the requirement to maintain a target voltage) set out in the **Restoration Plan**.

DOC9.4.8.7 Operation of the **Restoration Plan** shall be terminated by the lead operator either when:

- (a) the **Restoration Plan** has been successfully implemented and the resulting **Power Island** has been **Synchronised** to another **Power Island** following instruction from the **ISOP**. In this case the arrangements for **Synchronising** the **Power Island** will be set out in the **Restoration Plan**; or
- (b) the **Restoration Plan** has not been / is not being successfully implemented. In this circumstance, provided for in DOC9.4.8.3(b), if an agreement is not reached on whether or not to apply the remainder of the plan or if the **ISOP** in coordination with the other parties confirms that it does not wish the remainder of the **Restoration Plan** to apply, the **Restoration Plan** shall be terminated. In this case the **DNO** and the **ISOP** in conjunction with the **Restoration Contractors** shall agree and implement the most appropriate course of action which should aim to maintain supplies to as many **Customers** as possible.

In both cases the lead operator shall notify all parties to the **Restoration Plan** accordingly.

DOC9.4.9 LJRP Operation

DOC9.4.9.1 The **DNO** may, in accordance with the **ISOP**'s or relevant **Transmission Licensee**'s requirements, as part of the activation of a **LJRP**, be required to issue instructions (although this list should not be regarded as exhaustive) to an **Anchor Power Station** relating to the commencement of generation, to a **User** or **Customers** connected to the **DNO**'s **Distribution System** relating to the restoration of **Demand** and to other **Embedded Generators** relating to their preparation for commencement of generation when an external power supply is made available to their **Power Generating Facilities**, and in each case may include switching instructions.

DOC9.4.9.2 Where the **DNO**, as part of the **System Restoration** procedure, has given an instruction to an **Anchor Generator** to initiate startup of the **Anchor Power Station**, the **Anchor Generator** shall confirm to the **DNO** when the startup of a **Power Generating Module** has been completed. Following confirmation of startup, the **DNO** will endeavour to stabilise that **Power Generating Module** by the establishment of appropriate **Demand** following which the **DNO** may instruct the **Anchor Power Station** to start up the remaining available **Power Generating Modules** and auxiliary gas turbines if any at that **Anchor Power Station** and **Synchronise** them to create a **Power Island**.

DOC9.4.9.3 The **DNO** shall continue to operate to the provisions of the **LJRP** until the **LJRP** is terminated in DOC9.4.8.7.

DOC9.4.10 DRZP Operation.

DOC9.4.10.1 In the event of **System Restoration** where the **ISOP** wishes to activate one or more **Distribution Restoration Zones**, the **ISOP** will issue an emergency instruction to the **DNO** to initiate the relevant **Distribution Restoration Zone**. In Scotland the instruction to a Scottish **DNO** to initiate a Scottish **Distribution Restoration Zone** would be issued by the relevant Scottish **Transmission Licensee**.

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- DOC9.4.10.2 Upon receipt of an instruction from the **ISOP** (or the relevant Scottish **Transmission Licensee**) the **DNO** will activate the **DRZP**. All instructions to relevant **Restoration Contractors** party to the **DRZP** will be issued by the **DNO**. All instructions to **Restoration Contractors** who are party to the **CUSC** and who are active in the **DRZP** will be issued by the **DNO**.
- DOC9.4.10.3 These arrangements will remain in place until the **Distribution Restoration Plan** is terminated as provided for in that **DRZP**. Following **Synchronisation** to another **Power Island**, the **DRZP** will be terminated and instructions to relevant **Restoration Contractors** will revert back to normal provisions for normal operating conditions unless otherwise informed by the **DNO**.
- DOC9.4.10.4 Where the **ISOP**, as part of **System Restoration**, has given an instruction to a **DNO** to activate a **DRZP**, the **DNO** will instruct the **Anchor Generator** to prepare to start up the relevant **Power Generating Module** in accordance with the **DRZP**. If required by the **DRZP** the **DNO** will instruct relevant **Top Up Restoration Contractors** to be ready to **Synchronise** at the agreed time after the **Anchor Generator** has energised the relevant part of the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- DOC9.4.10.5 The **DNO** will ensure that switching carried out on the **DNO's Distribution System** and other actions are as set out in the **DRZP**.
- DOC9.4.10.6 The **DNO** will issue instructions to the relevant **Restoration Contractors** to inform them of the requirement that a **Distribution Restoration Zone** is to be energised in accordance with the **DRZP** and that they should prepare their **Equipment** so that it is in a state of readiness for energising or contributing to the **Distribution Restoration Zone**. The relevant **Restoration Contractor(s)** will inform the **DNO** the indicative time at when their **Equipment** will be in a state of readiness to energise, or to **Synchronise** to, the **System**.
- DOC9.4.10.7 Automatic instructions issued by a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System** shall be considered to be, and have the same status as, instructions from the **DNO**.
- DOC9.4.10.8 The **DNO** shall reconfigure the **DNO's Distribution System** such that it is in an appropriate state of readiness to enable the **Anchor Generator** to re-energise the intended part of the **DNO's Distribution System** in accordance with the **DRZP**. To enable this process to take place, the **DNO** may need to change the topology and status of the **DNO's Distribution System**. Reconfiguration of the **DNO's Distribution System** prior to energisation of the relevant part of the **DNO's Distribution System** may be achieved conventionally or via fully automatic means which could include a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System**, as required by the **DRZP**. Where a **Transmission Licensee** is party to the **DRZP**, the **DNO** shall liaise with the relevant **Transmission Licensee** as part of this process to ensure that relevant parts of the **Transmission System** can be configured in accordance with the **DRZP** and energised from the **Distribution Restoration Zone**.
- DOC9.4.10.9 The **DNO** shall inform the **ISOP** (and the relevant Scottish **Transmission Licensee** in the case of a Scottish **Distribution Restoration Zone**) when it has contacted the **Anchor Generator** and other relevant **Restoration Contractors** in accordance with the **DRZP** and provide an indicative time of when its **System** and associated **Equipment** is in a position to be re-energised and the expected time at which the

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Anchor Generator will be in a position to re-energise the intended section of the **DNO's Distribution System**.

- DOC9.4.10.10 When the **DNO** has reconfigured the **DNO's Distribution System** it will contact the **Anchor Generator** to confirm and agree a time for the **Anchor Generator** to operate their **Power Generating Module(s)** so as to energise the required section of the **DNO's Distribution System**. Where subsequently the **Anchor Generator** or **DNO** needs to change the agreed energisation time as a result of an unforeseen event the **Anchor Generator** and **DNO** will agree a revised energisation time.
- DOC9.4.10.11 On determining an agreed energisation time, the **DNO** will inform the **ISOP** (or the relevant Scottish **Transmission Licensee**) of the time when the **Anchor Generator's Power Generating Module(s)** is scheduled to energise the intended section of the **DNO's Distribution System**. Should this scheduled time subsequently change, the **DNO** will inform the **ISOP** (or the relevant Scottish **Transmission Licensee**) as necessary and provide an indication of any revised re-energisation time and the reason for the change.
- DOC9.4.10.12 At the agreed re-energisation time as detailed in DOC9.4.10.11, the **DNO** will contact the **Anchor Generator** and issue an instruction for the **Anchor Generator** to energise a section of the **DNO's Distribution System** unless the instruction is delivered via fully automatic means which could include a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System**.
- DOC9.4.10.13 The **DNO** will, in accordance with the requirements of the **DRZP**, agree the output of the relevant **Anchor Generator's Plant** and **Relevant Restoration Contractors Plant** and the connection of **Demand** so as to create a **Power Island**. During this period, the **DNO** shall be required to manage the output of the relevant **Anchor Generator's Power Generating Module(s)** and/or **Relevant Restoration Contractor's Plant** to the **Demand** prevailing in the **Power Island**, on the basis that it will (where practicable) seek to maintain the **Target Frequency**. Relevant **Restoration Contractors** shall (where practical) also seek to follow the requirements relating to **Reactive Power** (which may include the requirement to maintain a target voltage) set out in the **DRZP**.
- DOC9.4.10.14 Relevant **Restoration Contractors** who are not the **Anchor Generator** shall not start to **Synchronise** to the **DNO's Distribution System** until given a formal instruction by the **DNO** in accordance with DOC9.4.10.16. Such instructions would only be given once the **DNO** has achieved energisation of part of its **System** by issuing instructions to the **Anchor Generator**, and the **DNO's Distribution System** is in a position to expand that portion which is energised and supply more **Demand** in accordance with the **DRZP**.
- DOC9.4.10.15 When the **DNO's Distribution System** has been energised and is supplying some local **Demand** and/or controllable **Demand** provided by a relevant **Restoration Contractor**, the **Anchor Generator** will be required to follow instruction from the **DNO**, or via fully automatic means which could include a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System**. The **DNO**, in liaison with the **Anchor Generator**, will ensure the **DNO's Distribution System** is operated in a stable manner with additional **Demand** blocks being switched into service when it is appropriate to do so. As part of this process the **DNO** in coordination with the **Anchor Generator** shall ensure that risks to the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **Anchor Power Generating Module** through disturbances that could arise in

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the **Distribution Restoration Zone** are minimised. This may be achieved through a series of energisation steps or through a soft energisation between the **Anchor Generator's Power Generating Module(s)** and sections of the **DNO's Distribution System**. The requirements of this DOC9.4.10.15 may be achieved via manual instructions, remote switching carried out at the **DNO's Control Centre**, a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System** or a combination of these options.

DOC9.4.10.16 To stabilise the voltage and **Frequency** of the **DNO's Distribution System** and increase the **Demand** fed from within the **Distribution Restoration Zone**, the **DNO** will subsequently need to instruct further relevant **Restoration Contractors** to **Synchronise** to the **Distribution Restoration Zone**, either via manual instruction or through the use of a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System(s)**. The control of the **Frequency** and voltage of the **Distribution Restoration Zone** will be the responsibility of the **DNO**. The control of **System Frequency** and voltage control during the whole **System Restoration** phase is the responsibility of the **ISOP**, although the **ISOP** will require **DNOs** to manage the **Frequency** and voltage levels of **Power Islands** in the case of **Distribution Restoration Zones**.

DOC9.4.10.17 If during the **Demand** restoration process any relevant **Restoration Contractor's Plant** cannot, because of the nature of the **Demand** being supplied, keep within its safe operating parameters, the relevant **Restoration Contractor** shall inform the **DNO** without undue delay who in turn shall inform the **ISOP**. In the case of a **Distribution Restoration Zone** in Scotland the **DNO** shall inform the relevant **Scottish Transmission Licensee**.

DOC9.4.10.18 If the circumstance of DOC9.4.10.17 arise the **DNO** will, where possible:

- (a) instruct **Demand** to be altered; or
- (b) re-configure the **Distribution Restoration Zone**; or
- (c) will instruct the relevant **Restoration Contractor** forming part of the **Distribution Restoration Zone** to re-configure its **System** in order to alleviate the problem being experienced by the relevant **Restoration Contractor's Equipment**.

The **ISOP** and the **DNO** (and relevant **Transmission Licensee** in Scotland) accepts that any decision to keep a relevant **Restoration Contractor's Equipment** operating, if outside its safe operating parameters, is one for the **Restoration Contractor** concerned alone and accepts that the relevant **Restoration Contractor's Equipment** may change output if the relevant **Restoration Contractor** believes it is necessary for safety reasons (whether relating to personnel or **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**). If such a change is made without prior notice, then the relevant **Restoration Contractor** shall inform the **DNO** as soon as reasonably practical. The **DNO** will inform the **ISOP** (and the relevant **Transmission Licensee** in the case of Scottish **Distribution Restoration Zones**) of the progress with the key stages of each **DRZP**.

DOC9.4.10.19 Once the **Distribution Restoration Zone** is operating as described in DOC9.4.10.15 and DOC9.4.10.16, the **DNO** shall undertake a step by step process of energising more elements of its **System**. The **DNO** will progressively restore auxiliary supplies to substations, supplies to **Customers** and other relevant **Restoration Contractors** to stabilise that part of the **DNO's Distribution System**

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comprising the **Distribution Restoration Zone**. The **DNO** will do this by issuing instructions in the conventional way or via fully automatic means which could include a **Distribution Restoration Zone Control System**. During this phase, the **DNO** will need to ensure that each relevant **Restoration Contractor's Equipment** is operated within its designed operational limits, that they are contributing to voltage and **Frequency** control and adequate positive and negative headroom is maintained on such **Plant** to enable the management of **Power Island** contingencies. During this period, there may be a need to initiate the restoration and operation of further relevant **Restoration Contractor's Equipment** to help balance the **Distribution Restoration Zone**.

DOC9.4.10.20 As the **Demand** in the **Distribution Restoration Zone** starts to grow and become more clearly established, the **DNO** may need to switch between predefined **Protection** and control settings to match the needs of the **Power Island**.

DOC9.4.10.21 Where circumstances permit, expansion of the **Power Island** within a **Distribution Restoration Zone** to a transmission busbar and to wider parts of the **Transmission System** will be managed in accordance with the **DRZP** and DOC9.5.

DOC9.4.10.22 Operation in accordance with the **DRZP** will be terminated by the **DNO**, who will then notify the **ISOP** and all the parties to the **DRZP** including the relevant **Transmission Licensee** if appropriate co-incident with connecting the **Distribution Restoration Zone** to other **Power Islands**. Operation in accordance with the **DRZP** will also terminate in the circumstances provided for in DOC9.4.8.7(b) if an agreement is not reached or if the **ISOP** states that it does not wish the remainder of the **DRZP** to apply.

DOC9.4.11 Interconnection of Power Islands

In accordance with the requirements of the **ISOP** or relevant **Transmission Licensee**, the **DNO** may be required to issue instructions to **Users** so as to establish, maintain and expand **Power Islands** and to interconnect **Power Islands** to achieve larger **Power Islands** and subsequently to form an integrated **System** and re-establishment of the **Total System**. **Users** shall at all times abide by the **DNO's** instructions in relation to interconnection of **Power Islands**.

DOC9.4.3.8 Conclusion of System Restoration

The conclusion of the **System Restoration** and the time of the normal operation of the **Total System** will be determined by the relevant **Transmission Licensee** who shall inform the **DNO**. The **DNO** will inform **Users** of the **DNO's Distribution System** which in the **DNO's** opinion need to be informed that the **System Restoration** has terminated and that normal operation of the **Total System** has begun.

DOC9.5 Re-Synchronisation of Power Islands

DOC9.5.1 **Re-Synchronisation of Power Islands** might be required as a routine contingency, or as the final stages of a **Restoration Plan**.

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DOC9.5.2 Routine contingency, or conclusion of a **Restoration Plan**

DOC9.5.2.1 Where parts of the **Total System** are out of **Synchronism** with each other, irrespective of whether there is a **Total Shutdown** or a **Partial Shutdown** the **ISOP** will instruct **DNOs** and **Users** to regulate generation or **Demand**, as the case may be, to enable the **Power Islands** to be **Re-Synchronised**.

DOC9.5.2.2 **DNOs** may be involved in **Re-Synchronising** by issuing instructions to **Users** in accordance with the requirements of the **ISOP**. **Users** shall at all times abide by the **DNO's** instructions in relation to **Re-Synchronising Power Islands**.

DOC9.5.2.3 The **Re-Synchronising** of **Power Islands** is covered by Desynchronised Power Island Procedures agreed between the **ISOP** and the relevant **Transmission Licensee, DNO** and **Generators**.

DOC9.5.3 **Power Island Loading and Generation Management**

DOC9.5.3.1 Generation in **Power Islands** may be dealt with in different ways as follows:

DOC9.5.3.2 The approach for **LJRPs** and for contingencies other than **DRZPs**

(a) Data exchanged between **DNOs** and **Generators** via the **ISOP**

(i) In this approach in DOC9.5.3.2.(a), relevant loading and other operational parameters are exchanged indirectly between **Generators** who are **BM Participants** and the **DNO** via the **ISOP**.

(ii) The **ISOP**, each **Generator** with **Synchronised** (or connected and available to generate although not **Synchronised**) **Power Generating Modules** in the **Power Island** and the **DNO** shall exchange information as set out in this DOC9.5.3.2.(a) to enable the **ISOP** to issue instructions via the **Balancing Mechanism** or via an emergency instruction to that **Generator** in relation to its **Power Generating Modules** in the **Power Island** until **Re-Synchronisation** takes place, on the basis that the **Generator** will (where practicable) seek to maintain the **Target Frequency**.

(iii) The information to the **ISOP** from the **Generator** will cover its relevant operational parameters as required in the Balancing Code in the **Grid Code** and from the **ISOP** to the **Generator** will cover data on **Demand** and changes in **Demand** in the **Power Island**.

(iv) The information from the **DNO** to the **ISOP** will comprise data on **Demand** in the **Power Island**, including data on any constraints within the **Power Island**.

(v) The **ISOP** will keep the **DNO** informed of the balancing instructions or emergency instructions it is issuing to **Embedded Power Generating Modules** within the **Power Island**.

(b) Data exchanged directly between **DNOs** and **Generators**

(i) In this approach in DOC9.5.3.2.(b) relevant loading and other operational

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parameters are exchanged directly between **Generators** who are **BM Participants** and the **DNO**.

- (ii) The **ISOP** will issue an emergency instruction and/or a instructions via the **Balancing Mechanism**, to the **Generator** to "float" local **Demand** and maintain **Frequency** at **Target Frequency**. Under this instruction, the **Generator** will be required to regulate the output of its **Power Generating Module(s)** at the **Power Station** in question to the **Demand** prevailing in the **Power Island** in which it is situated, until **Re-Synchronisation** takes place, on the basis that it will (where practicable) seek to maintain the **Target Frequency**.
- (iii) The **DNO** is required to be in contact with the **Generator** at the **Power Station** so that the **DNO** can supply data to the **Generator** on **Demand** changes within the **Power Island**.
- (iv) If more than one **Power Generating Module** is **Synchronised** on the **Power Island**, or is connected to the and available to generate although not **Synchronised**, the **DNO** will need to liaise with the **ISOP** to agree which **Power Generating Module(s)** will be used to accommodate changes in **Demand** in the **Power Island**. The **DNO** will then maintain contact with the relevant **Generator** (or **Generators**) in relation to that **Power Generating Module(s)**.
- (v) The **Generator** at the **Power Station** must contact the **DNO** if the level of **Demand** which it has been asked to meet as a result of the emergency instruction and/or instruction in the **Balancing Mechanism** to "float" and the detail on **Demand** passed on by the **DNO**, is likely to cause problems for safety reasons (whether relating to personnel or **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**) in the operation of its **Power Generating Module(s)**, in order that the **DNO** can alter the level of **Demand** which that **Generator** needs to arrange to meet. Any decision to operate outside any relevant parameters is one entirely for the **Generator**.

DOC9.5.3.3 **Distribution Restoration Zone and generation management**

If a **DRZP** is activated, all generation management will be in accordance with the **DRZP**.

DOC9.6 **Joint System Incident Procedure**

DOC9.6.1 A **Joint System Incident** is an **Event** (as referred to in **Distribution Operating Code DOC7**) wherever occurring which in the opinion of the **DNO** has or may have a serious and/or widespread effect on, in the case of an incident on a **User's System**, the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System** or, in the case of an incident on the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System**, on a **User's**, or **Users', System(s)**. Where an incident on a **User's System** has or may have no effect on the **DNO's Distribution System** or the **National Electricity Transmission System**, then such an incident does not fall within this **Distribution Operating Code** and accordingly DOC9 shall not apply to it.

DOC9.6.2 Each **User** requested by the **DNO** in accordance with the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code**, shall provide in writing to the **DNO** and the **DNO** shall

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provide in writing to each such **User** a telephone number or numbers at which or through which responsible management representatives, who are fully authorised to take binding decisions on behalf of their appointers, can be contacted day or night when there is a **Joint System Incident**. The lists of telephone numbers shall be provided at the time that a **User** connects to the **DNO's Distribution System** and must be updated (in writing) as often as the information contained in them changes.

DOC9.6.3 On the occurrence of an **Event**, then pursuant to **Distribution Operating Code DOC7**:

- (a) If it is on the **System** of a **User**, the **User** shall notify the **DNO** accordingly together with any other **User** who is or may be affected and will inform the **DNO** of which **Users** it has informed.
- (b) If it is on the **DNO's Distribution System**, the **DNO** shall notify all **Users** who are or may be affected.

DOC9.6.4 Following notification by a **User** of an **Event**, the **DNO** will if it considers necessary, telephone the **User** on the telephone number referred to in DOC9.6.2 to obtain such additional information as it requires.

DOC9.6.5 Following notification of an **Event** in accordance with DOC9.6.3(a) or (b), and/or the receipt of any additional information requested pursuant to DOC9.6.4, the **DNO** will determine whether or not the **Event** is a **Joint System Incident**, and, if so, the **DNO** may set up a **System Incident Centre** in order to avoid overloading existing operational arrangements of the **DNO**.

DOC9.6.6 The **DNO** shall as soon as possible notify all relevant **Users** that a **System Incident Centre** has been established and the telephone number(s) of the **DNO's System Incident Centre** if different from those already supplied pursuant to DOC9.6.2.

DOC9.6.7 All communications between the responsible management representatives of the relevant parties with regard to the **DNO's** role in the **Joint System Incident** shall be made via the **System Incident Centre**, if it has been established.

DOC9.7 **Civil Emergencies**

DOC9.7.1 Directions under Section 96 of the **Act** place an obligation on the **DNO** to prepare and maintain plans for mitigating the effects of any civil emergency which may occur in accordance with the Electricity Supply Emergency Code. That Code describes the steps which Government might take to deal with an electricity supply emergency envisaged under Section 96(7) of the **Act** or Section 3(i)(b) of the Energy Act 1976 and sets down the actions which Companies in the Electricity Supply Industry should plan to take and which may be needed or required in order to deal with such an emergency.

DOC9.7.2 In an electricity emergency it may become necessary to restrict **Users' Demand** for and consumption of electricity and may be achieved by one or more of the following methods:

- (a) Appeals by the Government to the public for voluntary restraint.
- (b) The issue of Orders under the Energy Act 1976 requiring restrictions on consumption by industry and commerce.

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(c) The issue of directions under the Energy Act 1976 requiring rota disconnections and associated restrictions.

DOC9.7.3 In the event that the **Secretary of State** issues directions to the **DNO** to implement rota disconnections, the **DNO** will establish an Emergency Co-ordinating Centre and as soon as possible establish communications with such relevant **Users** as is necessary to ensure operational liaison. The plans to be implemented will be similar or separate from the schemes outlined in **Distribution Operating Code, DOC6**.

DOC9.7.4 The plans make provision for the need to maintain supply, so far as practicable, to consumers in protected categories. For the purpose of the **Distribution Code** a Nuclear **Power Generating Module** shall be deemed to be a protected category in accordance with the provisions of DOC6.1.4.

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DOC10 OPERATIONAL EVENT REPORTING AND INFORMATION SUPPLY

DOC10.1 Introduction

DOC10.1.1 This **Distribution Operating Code** DOC10 sets out the requirements for reporting in writing and, where appropriate, more fully those **Events** termed **Significant Incidents** which were initially reported under **Distribution Operating Code** DOC7 and those statutory specified events to be reported under the **ESQCR**.

Information between a **DNO** and **Users** will be exchanged on the reasonable request of either party.

DOC10.1.2 DOC10 also provides for the joint investigation of **Significant Incidents** by the **Users** involved.

DOC10.2 Objectives

The objective of this **Distribution Operating Code** is to facilitate the provision of more detailed information in writing and, where agreed between the **DNO** and the **Users** involved, joint investigation of those **Significant Incidents** initially reported under DOC7.

DOC10.3 Scope

This Distribution Operating Code DOC10 applies to the **DNO** and to **Users**, which in this Distribution Operating Code means:-

- (a) **High Voltage Customers**.
- (b) **Embedded Generators** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** at **HV**.
- (c) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** at **HV**.
- (d) Suppliers on behalf of their **Customers** where appropriate.

DOC10.4 Communications

DOC10.4.1. The **DNO** and **Users** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** shall establish communication channels to ensure the effectiveness of this **Distribution Operating Code**. Communication should, as far as possible, be direct between the **User** and the operator of the network to which that **User** is connected. However, this does not preclude communication with the **User's** nominated representative.

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DOC10.4.2 Operational Event Reporting

DOC10.4.2.1 Written Reports of Events by Users to the DNO

In the case of an **Event** which has been reported initially to the **DNO** under DOC7.6 and subsequently has been determined by the **DNO** to be a **Significant Incident**, a written report will be given to the **DNO** by the **User** in accordance with DOC10. The **DNO** will not pass this report on to other affected **Users** but may use the information contained therein in preparing a report under DOC10 to a **User** in relation to a **Significant Incident** on the **DNO's Distribution System** which has been caused by (or exacerbated by) the **Significant Incident** on the **User's System**.

DOC10.4.2.2 Written Reports of Events by the DNO to Users

In the case of an **Event** which has been reported initially to the **User** under DOC7.6 and subsequently has been determined by the **User** to be a **Significant Incident**, a written report will be given to the **User** by the **DNO** in accordance with DOC10. The **User** will not pass this report on to other affected **Users** but may use the information contained therein in preparing a report for another **Authorised Electricity Operator** connected to its **System** in relation to a **Significant Incident** which has been caused by (or exacerbated) the **Significant Incident** on the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DOC10.4.3 Form of Report in Writing

DOC10.4.3.1 A report under DOC10.4.2 will be in writing and shall be sent to the **DNO** or **User**, as the case may be, containing written confirmation of the initial notification given under DOC7 together with more details relating to the **Significant Incident**, although it need not state the cause of the **Event** save to the extent required under DOC7.6.2 and such further information which has become known relating to the **Significant Incident** since the initial notification under DOC7. The report should, as a minimum, contain those matters specified in the Appendix 1 of this DOC10 which is not intended to be exhaustive to this DOC10. The recipient may raise questions to clarify the notification, and the giver of the notification will, in so far as it is able, answer any questions raised.

DOC10.4.4 Timing of the Report in Writing

DOC10.4.4.1 A written report under DOC10.4.2 shall be given as soon as reasonably practicable after the initial notification under DOC7 and in any event a preliminary report shall normally be given within 24 hours of such time.

DOC10.4.5 Statutory Reports of Specified Events

DOC10.4.5.1 Nothing in this **Distribution Operating Code** shall be construed as relieving **DNOs** or **Users** from their duty to report events specified in the **ESQCR** in accordance with those **Regulations** in so far as they apply to **Users**.

DOC10.4.6 Joint Investigation into Significant Incidents

DOC10.4.6.1 Where a **Significant Incident** has been declared and a report submitted under DOC10 either party or parties may request in writing that a joint investigation be carried out.

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DOC10.4.6.2 The composition of such an investigation panel will be appropriate to the incident to be investigated, and agreed by all parties involved.

DOC10.4.6.3 Where there has been a series of **Significant Incidents** (that is to say, where a **Significant Incident** has caused or exacerbated another **Significant Incident**) the parties involved may agree that the joint investigation should include some or all of those **Significant Incidents**.

DOC10.4.6.4 A joint investigation will only take place where all affected parties agree to it. The form and rules of, the procedure for, and all matters (including, if thought appropriate, provisions for costs and for a party to withdraw from the joint investigations once it has begun) relating to the joint investigation will be agreed at the time of a joint investigation and in the absence of agreement the joint investigation will not take place.

DOC10.4.6.5 Any joint investigation under **DOC10** is separate from any inquiry which may be carried out under the **Electricity Supply Industry (ESI)** disputes resolution procedure.

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MATTERS, IF APPLICABLE TO THE SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT, TO BE INCLUDED IN A WRITTEN REPORT GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH DOC10.4.2.

1. Time and date of **Significant Incident**.
2. Location.
3. **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** involved.
4. Brief description of **Significant Incident**.
5. Estimated time and date of return to service.
6. Supplies/generation interrupted and duration of interruption.
7. Set/Station frequency response achieved.
8. Set/Station MVA_r performance achieved.
9. Ownership of the faulted **Plant** and/or **Apparatus**.
10. Estimated **Demand Control** relief undertaken.
11. Estimated **Demand** shed Automatic/Manual.
12. Time and date of **Demand** restoration.

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DOC11 NUMBERING AND NOMENCLATURE OF ELECTRICAL APPARATUS AT OWNERSHIP BOUNDARIES

DOC11.1 Introduction

DOC11.1.1 This **Distribution Operating Code** DOC11 sets out the responsibilities and procedures for notifying the relevant owners of the numbering and nomenclature of **Apparatus** at **Ownership Boundaries**.

DOC11.1.2 The numbering and nomenclature of **Apparatus** shall be included in the **Operation Diagram** prepared for each site having an **Ownership Boundary**.

DOC11.2 Objectives

The prime objective embodied in this **Distribution Operating Code** is to ensure that at any site where there is an **Ownership Boundary** every item of **Apparatus** has numbering and/or nomenclature that has been mutually agreed and notified between the owners concerned to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable the safe and effective **Operation** of the **Systems** involved and to reduce the risk of error.

DOC11.3 Scope

This **Distribution Operating Code** DOC11 applies to the **DNO** and to **Users**, which in this **Distribution Operating Code** excludes **Users** connected at **Low Voltage** without **Generation** and protected by a fuse(s) or other device(s) rated at 100 amps or less, (except it may apply to such **Users** who are the sole **User** connected to an **HV/LV** transformer.), and otherwise includes:

- (a) **Customers**.
- (b) **Embedded Generators**, but excluding the **OTSO**.
- (c) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (d) **Meter Operators**.

DOC11.4 Procedure

DOC11.4.1 New Apparatus

DOC11.4.1.1 When the **DNO** or a **User** intends to install **Apparatus** having an interface at an **Ownership Boundary** the proposed numbering and/or nomenclature to be adopted for the **Apparatus** must be notified to the other owner(s).

DOC11.4.1.2 The notification shall be made in writing to the relevant owner(s) and will consist of **Operation Diagrams** incorporating the proposed new **Apparatus** to be installed and its proposed numbering and/or nomenclature.

DOC11.4.1.3 The notification shall be made to the relevant owner(s) at least eight months prior to the proposed installation of the **Apparatus**.

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DOC11.4.1.4 The relevant owners shall respond in writing within one month of the receipt of the notification confirming both receipt and whether the proposed numbering and/or nomenclature is acceptable or, if not, what would be acceptable.

DOC11.4.1.5 In the event that agreement cannot be reached between the **DNO**, and the other owner(s), the **DNO**, acting reasonably, shall have the right to determine the numbering and nomenclature to be applied at that site.

DOC11.4.2 Existing Apparatus

DOC11.4.2.1 The **DNO** and/or every **User** shall supply the **DNO** and/or every other **User** on request with details of the numbering and nomenclature of **Apparatus** on sites having an **Ownership Boundary**.

DOC11.4.2.2 The **DNO** and every **User** shall be responsible for the provision and erection of clear and unambiguous labelling showing the numbering and nomenclature of its **Apparatus** on sites having an **Ownership Boundary**.

DOC11.4.3 Changes to Existing Apparatus

DOC11.4.3.1 Where the **DNO** or a **User** needs or wishes to change the existing numbering and/or nomenclature of any of its **Apparatus** on any site having **Ownership Boundary**, the provisions of DOC11.4.1 shall apply with any amendments necessary to reflect that only a change is being made.

DOC11.4.3.2 Where a **User** changes the numbering and/or nomenclature of its **Apparatus**, which is the subject of **DOC11**, the **User** will be responsible for the provision and erection of clear and unambiguous labelling.

DOC11.4.3.3 Where a **DNO** changes the numbering and/or nomenclature of its **Apparatus**, which is the subject of **DOC11**, the **DNO** will be responsible for the provision and erection of clear and unambiguous labelling.

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DOC12 SYSTEM TEST

DOC12.1 Introduction

DOC12.1.1 This **Distribution Operating Code** DOC12 sets out the responsibilities and procedures for arranging and carrying out **System Tests** which have or may have an effect on the **Systems** of the **DNO** or **Users**. **System Tests** are those tests which involve either simulating conditions or the controlled application of irregular, unusual or extreme conditions on the **Total System** or any part of the **Total System**, but do not include commissioning or recommissioning tests or any other tests of a minor nature.

DOC12.1.2 **System Test** which have a minimal effect on the **Distribution System** of the **DNO** or the **Systems** of others will not be subject to this procedure; minimal effect will be taken to mean variations in voltage, **Frequency** and waveform distortion of a value not greater than those figures which are defined in the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code**.

DOC12.1.3 If the **System Test** proposed by the **DNO** or **User** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** will or may have an effect on the **National Electricity Transmission System** then the provisions of the **Grid Code** shall apply.

DOC12.1.4 A **System Test** proposed by the **ISOP** under the **Grid Code** will be treated by the **DNO** as a **System Test** under this DOC 12 if it is considered by the **DNO** to have any effect on **Users** as defined in DOC 12.3.1.

DOC12.2 Objectives

DOC12.2.1 The objectives of this **Distribution Operating Code** are to:-

- (a) Ensure that the procedures for arranging and carrying out of **System Test** do not so far as practicable, threaten the safety of either personnel or the general public and cause minimum threat to the security of supplies, the integrity of **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** and cause minimum detriment to the **DNO** and **Users**.
- (b) Set out procedures to be followed for establishing and reporting **System Test**.

DOC12.3 Scope

DOC12.3.1 This **Distribution Operating Code** applies to the **DNO** and to **Users**, which in this **Distribution Operating Code** means:-

- (a) **High Voltage Customers**.
- (b) **Embedded Generators** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** at HV.
- (c) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System** at HV.

DOC12.4 Procedure

DOC12.4.1 Proposal Notice

DOC12.4.1.1 When the **DNO** or a **User** intends to undertake a **System Test** which will have or may have an effect on the **System** of others normally six months' notice, or as

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otherwise agreed by the **DNO**, of the proposed **System Test** will be given by the person proposing the **System Test** (the “Test Proposer”) to the **DNO** and to those **Users** who may be affected by such a **System Test**.

DOC12.4.1.2 The proposal shall be in writing (the "Proposal Notice") and shall contain details of the nature and purpose of the proposed **System Test** and will indicate the extent and situation of the **Plant** or **Apparatus** involved.

DOC12.4.1.3 If in the view of the recipients the information set out in the Proposal Notice is considered insufficient by the recipients they shall as soon as is reasonably practicable contact the Test Proposer with a request in writing for further information which shall be supplied as soon as reasonably practicable. The **DNO** shall not be required to do anything under this **Distribution Operating Code** until it is satisfied with the details supplied in the Proposal Notice or pursuant to a request for further information.

DOC12.4.1.4 If the **DNO** wishes to undertake a **System Test** the **DNO** shall be deemed to have received a proposal of that **System Test**.

DOC12.4.2 Preliminary Notice and Establishment of Test Panel

DOC12.4.2.1 The **DNO** shall have overall co-ordination of the **System Test**. Using the information supplied to it under DOC12.4.1 the **DNO** shall determine in its reasonable estimation, which **Users** other than the Test Proposer may be affected by the proposed **System Test**.

DOC12.4.2.2 The **DNO** shall, with the agreement of the **Users** which it has identified may be affected, appoint a **Test Coordinator** as soon as reasonably practicable after it has received a Proposal Notice and in any event prior to the distribution of the Preliminary Notice referred to below.

(a) Where the **DNO** decides that the **DNO’s Distribution System** will or may be significantly affected by the proposed **System Test**, then the **Test Coordinator** shall be a suitably qualified person nominated by the **DNO**.

(b) Where **the DNO** decides that the **DNO’s Distribution System** will not be significantly affected by the proposed **System Test**, then the **Test Coordinator** shall be a suitably qualified person nominated by the proposer of the **System Test**, in consultation with the **DNO**.

(c) The **DNO** shall as soon as reasonably practicable after it has received a Proposal Notice contact the Test Proposer where the **Test Coordinator** is to be (pursuant to this **Distribution Operating Code**) a person nominated by the Test Proposer and invite them to nominate a person. If the Test Proposer is unable or unwilling to nominate a person within seven days of being contacted by the **DNO** then the proposed **System Test** will not take place.

DOC12.4.2.3 The **DNO** will notify all **Users** identified by it under DOC12.4.2.1 in writing of the proposed **System Test** which in this **Distribution Operating Code** shall be known as a Preliminary Notice. The Preliminary Notice will contain:

(a) The details of the nature and purpose of the proposed **System Test**, the extent and situation of the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** involved and the **Users** involved.

(b) An invitation to nominate within fourteen days a suitably qualified representative (or representatives if the **Test Coordinator** informs the **DNO**

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that it is appropriate for a particular **User**) to be a member of a **Test Panel** for the proposed **System Test**.

- (c) The name of the **DNO** representative (or representatives) on the **Test Panel** for the proposed **System Test**.
- (d) The name of the **Test Coordinator** and whether they were nominated by the proposer of the **System Test** or by the **DNO**.

DOC12.4.2.4 The Preliminary Notice shall be sent within one month of the receipt by the **DNO** of the Proposal Notice or the receipt of any further information requested under DOC12.4.13, whichever is the later. Where the **DNO** is the Test Proposer the Preliminary Notice will be sent as soon as possible after the proposed **System Test** has been formulated.

DOC12.4.2.5 If replies to the invitation in the Preliminary Notice to nominate a representative to be a member of the **Test Panel** have not been received within fourteen days, the **User** which has not replied shall not be entitled to be represented on the **Test Panel**.

DOC12.4.2.6 The **DNO** shall as soon as possible after the expiry of that fourteen day period appoint nominated persons to the **Test Panel** and notify all relevant **Users** - of the composition of the **Test Panel**.

DOC12.4.3 **Test Panel**

DOC12.4.3.1 A meeting of the **Test Panel** shall take place as soon as possible after the **DNO** has notified relevant **Users** of the composition of the **Test Panel**, and in any event within one month of the appointment of the **Test Panel**.

DOC12.4.3.2 The **Test Panel** shall consider:-

- (a) The details of the nature and purpose of the proposed **System Test** and other matters set out in the Proposal Notice (together with any further information requested under DOC12.4.2).
- (b) The economic, operational and risk implications of the proposed **System Test**.
- (c) The possibility of combining the proposed **System Test** with any other tests and with **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** outages which arise pursuant to the **Operational Planning** requirements of the **DNO**, the **ISOP** and **Users**.
- (d) The implications of the proposed **System Test** on plant which comprise or contain **BM Units** which are active (ie submitting bid-offer data) in the **Balancing Mechanism** insofar as it is able to do so.

DOC12.4.3.3 **Users** who received a Preliminary Notice concerning the proposed **System Test** (whether or not they are represented on the **Test Panel**) shall be obliged to supply that **Test Panel** upon written request with such details as the **Test Panel** reasonably requires in order to consider the proposed **System Test**.

DOC12.4.3.4 The **Test Panel** will meet as often as the **Test Co-ordinator** deems necessary to conduct its business and they shall be the person to convene a meeting.

DOC12.4.4 **Proposal Report**

- (a) DOC12.4.4.1 Within two months of the first meeting, the **Test Panel** shall submit a report, which in this **Distribution Operating Code** shall be called a

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Proposal Report, which shall contain: **System Test** (including the manner in which the **System Test** is to be monitored).

- (b) An allocation of costs (including unanticipated costs) between the affected parties, (the general principle being that the Test Proposer will bear the costs).
- (c) Such other matters as the **Test Panel** consider appropriate.

The Proposal Report may include requirements for indemnities to be given in respect of claims and losses arising from the **System Test**. All **System Test** procedures must comply with all applicable legislation.

DOC12.4.4.2 If the **Test Panel** is unable unanimously to agree on any decision in preparing its Proposal Report the proposed **System Test** shall not take place and the **Test Panel** will be dissolved.

DOC12.4.4.3 The Proposal Report will be submitted to the **DNO** and to each **User** who received a Preliminary Notice under DOC12.4.2.

DOC12.4.4.4 Within fourteen days of receipt of the Proposal Report, each recipient shall respond to the **Test Coordinator** with its approval of the Proposal Report or its reason for non-approval.

DOC12.4.4.5 In the event of non-approval by one or more recipients, the **Test Panel** shall as soon as practicable meet in order to determine whether the proposed **System Test** can be modified to meet the objection or objections.

DOC12.4.4.6 If the proposed **System Test** cannot be so modified, then the **System Test** will not take place.

DOC12.4.4.7 If the proposed **System Test** can be so modified, the **Test Panel** shall as soon as practicable, and in any event within one month of meeting to discuss the responses to the Proposal Report, submit a revised Proposal Report and the provisions of DOC12.4.4.3 and DOC12.4.4.4 will apply to that submission.

DOC12.4.4.8 In the event of non-approval of the revised Proposal Report by one or more recipients, the **System Test** will not take place and the **Test Panel** will be dissolved.

DOC12.4.5 **Final Test Programme**

DOC12.4.5.1 If the Proposal Report (or, as the case may be, the revised Proposal Report) is approved by all recipients, the proposed **System Test** can proceed and at least one month prior to the date of the proposed **System Test**, the **Test Panel** shall submit to the **DNO** and all recipients of the Proposal Notice a programme which in this **Distribution Operating Code** shall be called a "Final Test Programme" stating the switching sequence and proposed timings, a list of those staff involved in the carrying out of the **System Test** (including those responsible for site safety) and such other matters as the **Test Panel** deem appropriate.

DOC12.4.5.2 The Final Test Programme shall bind all recipients to act in accordance with the provisions contained within the programme in relation to the proposed **System Test**.

DOC12.4.5.3 Any problems with the proposed **System Test** which arise or are anticipated after the issue of the Final Test Programme and prior to the day of the proposed **System**

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Test must be notified to the **Test Coordinator** as soon as possible in writing. If the **Test Coordinator** decides that these anticipated problems merit an amendment to or postponement of the **System Test**, he shall notify any party involved in the proposed **System Test** accordingly.

DOC12.4.5.4 If on the day of the proposed **System Test** operating conditions on the **System** are such that any party involved in the proposed **System Test** wishes to delay or cancel the start or continuance of the **System Test**, they shall immediately inform the **Test Coordinator** of this decision and the reasons for it. The **Test Coordinator** shall then postpone or cancel, as the case may be, the **System Test** and shall if possible, agree with all parties involved in the proposed **System Test** another suitable time and date or if he cannot reach such agreement, shall reconvene the **Test Panel** as soon as practicable which will endeavour to arrange another suitable time and date and the relevant provisions of the **Distribution Operating Code** shall apply.

DOC12.4.6 **Final Report**

DOC12.4.6.1 At the conclusion of the **System Test**, the Test Proposer shall be responsible for preparing a written report (the “Final Report”) of the **System Test** for submission to the **DNO** and other members of the **Test Panel**.

DOC12.4.6.2 The Final Report shall include a description of the **Plant** and/or **Apparatus** tested and of the **System Test** carried out, together with the results, conclusions and recommendations for submission to other members of the **Test Panel**.

DOC12.4.6.3 The Final Report shall not be distributed to any party which is not represented on the **Test Panel** unless the **Test Panel**, having considered the confidentiality issues, shall have unanimously approved such distribution.

DOC12.4.6.4 When the Final Report has been submitted under DOC12.4.2.1 the **Test Panel** shall be dissolved.

DISTRIBUTION DATA REGISTRATION CODE (DDRC)

DDRC1 INTRODUCTION

DDRC1.1 The various sections of the **Distribution Code** require the **DNO** and **Users** to exchange and update data from time to time. The data which is specified in each section of the **Distribution Code** is summarised in the **Distribution Data Registration Code (DDRC)**.

DDRC1.2 The **Distribution Data Registration Code (DDRC)** provides a series of schedules summarising all requirements for information of a particular type. Each class of **User** is then referred to the appropriate schedule or group of schedules for a statement of the total data requirements in his case.

DDRC1.3 The **DDRC** specifies procedures and timings for the supply of data and subsequent updating, where the timings are covered by detailed timetables laid down in other sections of the **Distribution Code** they are not necessarily repeated in full in the **DDRC**.

DDRC1.4 In the case of an **Embedded Generator** seeking a connection to the **DNO's Distribution System** then irrespective of its potential involvement in the **Balancing Mechanism**, discussions on connection will be with the **DNO** concerned with the connection arrangements, in addition to any discussions required with the **ISOP** under the **Grid Code**. References to **Embedded Generator** in the **DDRC** shall include existing and prospective **Embedded Generators**.

DDRC2 OBJECTIVE

The objective of the **DDRC** is to collate and list in a readily identifiable form all the data to be provided by:

- (a) Each category of **User** to the **DNO** under the **Distribution Code**.
- (b) The **DNO** to each category of **User** under the **Distribution Code**.

DDRC3 SCOPE

The **DDRC** will apply to the **DNO** and to all **Users** which for the purpose of the **DDRC** are listed below:

- (a) **Customers** It is not intended that the **Distribution Code** shall generally apply to small **Customers** individually; their obligations will be dealt with on their behalf by their **Supplier**.
- (b) **Embedded Generators**.
- (c) **Other Authorised Distributors** connected to the **DNO's Distribution System**.
- (d) **Suppliers**.
- (e) Any other person who is making application for use of or connection to the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DDRC4 DATA CATEGORIES

DDRC4.1 Categories of Data

Within the **DDRC** the data required by the **DNO** is allocated to one of the following three categories:

- (a) **Standard Planning Data (SPD)**
- (b) **Detailed Planning Data (DPD)**
- (c) **Operational Data (OD)**

DDRC4.2 Standard Planning Data (SPD)

DDRC4.2.1 Standard Planning Data is that data listed in the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** which is required to be supplied by all **Users** when making application for connection to and/or use of the **DNO's Distribution System** in order that the **DNO** may assess the implications for making the connection.

DDRC4.2.2 Standard Planning Data shall be provided to the **DNO** in accordance with Section DPC6 and DPC7 of the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** for **Power Generating Modules** compliant with EREC G59, and in accordance with EREC G99 for **Power Generating Modules** compliant with EREC G99.

DDRC4.2.3 Following an agreement for connection/use of **System**, it is a requirement of the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** that estimated data supplied by **Users** should be replaced by actual values prior to connection which will be referred to as **Registered Data**.

DDRC4.3 Detailed Planning Data (DPD)

DDRC4.3.1 Detailed Planning Data is that data listed in the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** which is required to be supplied by the **Users** specified for connection to and/or use of the **DNO's Distribution System**.

DDRC4.3.2 Detailed Planning Data shall be provided to the **DNO** in accordance with Section DPC6 and DPC7 of the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** for **Power Generating Modules** compliant with EREC G59, and in accordance with EREC G99 for **Power Generating Modules** compliant with EREC G99.

DDRC4.3.3 Following an agreement for connection/use of **System**, it is a requirement of the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** that estimated data supplied by **Users** should be replaced by measured values prior to connection.

DDRC4.4 Operational Data (OD)

DDRC4.4.1 Operational Data is data, which is required by the **Distribution Operating Codes**.

DDRC4.4.2 Operational Data is required to be supplied in accordance with timetables set down in the relevant **Distribution Operating Codes** and is repeated in tabular form in the schedules attached to this **DDRC**.

DDRC5 PROCEDURES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

DDRC5.1 Responsibility for Submission and Updating of Data

In accordance with the provisions of the various sections of the **Distribution Code** and unless otherwise agreed or specified by the **DNO**, each **User** is required to submit data as defined in DDRC6 following and the attached schedules.

DDRC5.2 Methods of Submitting Data

DDRC5.2.1 Data must be submitted to the **DNO** in writing and where possible in the format specified by the **DNO** and must indicate the name of the person who is submitting those schedules.

DDRC5.2.2 If a **User** wishes to change any data item then this must first be discussed with the **DNO** concerned in order for the implications to be considered and the change if agreed (such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld), should be confirmed by the submission of a revised data scheduler by verbal means with confirmation in writing if short timescales are involved.

DDRC5.2.3 The **DNO** will supply data as requested by **Users** and as agreed by the **DNO** where no obligation of confidentiality exists.

DDRC5.3 Changes to User's Data

Whenever a **User** becomes aware of a change to an item of data, which is registered with the **DNO** the **User**, must notify the **DNO** in accordance with the appropriate section of the **Distribution Code**. The method and timing of the notification to the **DNO** is set out in the appropriate section of the **Distribution Code**.

DDRC5.4 Data Accuracy and Data not Supplied

DDRC5.4.1 The **User** is solely responsible for the accuracy of data (or of changes to data) supplied to the **DNO**.

DDRC5.4.2 Any data which the **User** fails to supply when required by any section of the **Distribution Code** may be estimated by the **DNO** if and when, in the **DNO's** view, it is necessary to do so. Such estimates will be based upon data supplied previously for the same **Plant** or **Apparatus** or upon corresponding data for similar **Plant** or **Apparatus** or upon such other information as the **DNO** deems appropriate.

DDRC5.4.3 The **DNO** will advise a **User** in writing of any estimated data it intends to use pursuant to DDRC5.4.2 relating directly to that **User's Plant** or **Apparatus** in the event of data not being supplied. The **DNO** will not be liable as a result of using that estimated data; the responsibility for the accuracy of that data will rest with the **User** as if the data has been supplied by that **User**.

DDRC5.4.4 It is a requirement of the **Distribution Planning and Connection Code** that Registered Project Planning Data is updated by the **User** annually.

DDRC6 DATA TO BE REGISTERED

- DDRC6.1 Schedules 1-4 are not used within the **Distribution Code**.
- DDRC6.2 Schedules 5a, 5b and 5c - **Embedded Power Generating Module** Technical Information.
- DDRC6.3 Schedule 5e - **Embedded Transmission System**.
- DDRC6.4 Schedule 5f – **Restoration Contractors’ Information for Distribution Restoration Zones**.
- DDRC6.5 Schedule 6 - **Demand** forecasts - as described in DOC1, time varying output/generation forecasts for the **Users** defined in the scope.
- DDRC6.6 Schedule 7 - **Operational Planning** - as described in **DOC2**, outage planning information.
- DDRC6.7 Schedule 8 - **System** Design Information - comprising **System** technical data.
- DDRC6.8 Schedule 9 - Load Characteristics - comprising the forecast data for load points indicating for example, the maximum load, the equipment that comprises the load, and the harmonic content of the load.
- DDRC6.9 The schedules applicable to each class of **User** are as follows:-

Schedule Number:-	Title	Applicable to:-
Schedule 5a	Power Station Data	Every Power Station
Schedule 5b	Power Generating Module Data	All Embedded Power Generating Modules
Schedule 5c	Power Generating Module Data	For specified types of Power Generating Module and ancillary Equipment (i) Synchronous Power Generating Module (ii) Fixed speed induction Power Generating Module (iii) Doubly fed induction Power Generating Module (iv) Series Converter Connected Power Generating Module (v) Transformers
Schedule 5d	DNO Network Data	DNO’s Distribution System
Schedule 5e	All Embedded Transmission System	All Embedded Transmission System

Schedule Number:-	Title	Applicable to:-
Schedule 5f	Re-Synchronisation times and Block Loading Capability	All Restoration Contractors for Distribution Restoration Zones
Schedule 5g	System Restoration Information	All Restoration Contractors for Distribution Restoration Zones
Schedule 6	Demand Forecasts	All Embedded Generators greater than 1MW; Any Other Authorised Distributor connected to the host DNO System ; All Suppliers ; All Customers connected at HV _whose Demand is greater than 5MW
Schedule 7a	Operational Planning	All Embedded Generators greater than 1MW; Any Other Authorised Distributor connected to the host DNO System ; All Suppliers ; All Customers connected at HV _whose Demand is greater than 5MW
Schedule 8 Schedule 9	System Design Information and Load Characteristics	Embedded Generators ; Any Other Authorised Distributor connected to the host DNO's Distribution System ; All Suppliers ; All Customers

Schedule 5a

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

Power Generating Facility DATA FOR EVERY EMBEDDED Power Generating Facility EXCLUDING THE OTSO

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
5a Power Station Data		
APPLICANT'S DETAILS		
Customer's Details		
Company name	Text	SPD
Company registered number	Text	SPD
Postal address	Text	SPD
Contact name	Text	SPD
Email address	Text	SPD
Telephone number	Text	SPD
Facsimile number	Text	SPD
Consultant's Details (if applicable)		
Consultant's name	Text	SPD
Postal address	Text	SPD
Contact name	Text	SPD
Email address	Text	SPD
Telephone number	Text	SPD
Facsimile number	Text	SPD
Power Generating Facility LOCATION AND OPERATION		
Power Station name	Text	SPD
Details of any existing Connection Agreements for this Power Station	Text	SPD
Target date for the provision of the connection / commissioning of the Power Station	Text	SPD
Postal address or site boundary plan (1/500)	Text / Plan	SPD
Connection Point (OS grid reference or description)	Text	SPD
Connection Point voltage	V	SPD
Single line diagram of any on-site existing or proposed electrical plant or, where available, Operation Diagrams	Diagram	SPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
5a Power Station Data		
What security is required for the connection? (see note 1)	Text	SPD
Number of Power Generating Modules in Power Station	Number	SPD
Are all Power Generating Modules of the same design/rating? (If not complete the relevant Schedules 5b and 5c for each type)	Y/N	SPD
Will the Power Station operate in islanded mode?	Y/N	SPD
Will Power Generating Module supply electricity to on-site premises?	Y/N	SPD
Power Generating Facility STANDBY IMPORT REQUIREMENTS (see note 2)		
Maximum Active Power import	MW	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power import (lagging)	MVAr	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power export (leading)	MVAr	SPD
Power Generating Facility TOP-UP IMPORT REQUIREMENTS (see note 3)		
Maximum Active Power import	MW	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power import (lagging)	MVAr	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power export (leading)	MVAr	SPD
Power Generating Facility EXPORT REQUIREMENTS (see note 4)		
Total Power Station output at Registered Capacity (net of auxiliary loads)		
Registered Capacity (maximum Active Power export)	MW	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power export (lagging)	MVAr	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power import (leading)	MVAr	SPD
Total Power Station output at Minimum Generation (net of auxiliary loads)		
Minimum Generation (minimum Active Power export)	MW	DPD
Maximum Reactive Power export (lagging)	MVAr	DPD
Maximum Reactive Power import (leading)	MVAr	DPD
Power Station performance chart (net, at Connection Point , as per DPC7 Figure 1)	Figure	DPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
5a Power Station Data		
Power Generating Facility MAXIMUM FAULT CURRENT CONTRIBUTION (see note 5)		
Peak asymmetrical short circuit current at 10ms (i_p) for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA	SPD
RMS value of the initial symmetrical short circuit current (I_k'') for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA	SPD
RMS value of the symmetrical short circuit current at 100ms ($I_{k(100)}$) for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA	SPD
Short circuit time constant T'' , corresponding to the change from I_k'' to $I_{k(100)}$	s	DPD
Positive sequence X/R ratio at the instant of fault	-	DPD
Power Generating Facility INTERFACE ARRANGEMENTS (see note 6)		
Means of connection, disconnection and Synchronising between DNO and User	Method statement	SPD
Site protection / co-ordination arrangements with DNO	Report	DPD
Precautions should neutral become disconnected from earth (LV only see EREC G59 or EREC G99)	Report	DPD
Site communications, control and monitoring (HV / LV)	Report	DPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
5a continued			
Power Generating Facility G59 OR G99 PROTECTION – see note 7			
U/V Stage 1	V and s	SPD	SPD
U/V Stage 2 (if fitted)	V and s	SPD	SPD
O/V Stage 1	V and s	SPD	SPD
O/V Stage 2	V and s	SPD	SPD
U/F Stage 1	Hz and s	SPD	SPD
U/F Stage 2 (if fitted)	Hz and s	SPD	SPD
O/F Stage 1	Hz and s	SPD	SPD
O/F Stage 2	Hz	SPD	SPD

DATA DESCRIPTION 5a continued	Units	Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW	Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW
LoM (RoCoF)	Hzs ⁻¹ and s	SPD	SPD
LoM (Vector Shift)	degrees	SPD	SPD
LoM – other		SPD	SPD

Notes:

1. The **DNO** will assume a single circuit connection to the **Power Station** is required unless stated otherwise. Options include:-
 - a. Single circuit connection
 - b. Manually switched alternative connection
 - c. Automatic switched alternative connection
 - d. Firm connection (secure for first circuit outage)
2. This section relates to operating conditions when the **Power Station** is importing **Active Power**, typically when it is not generating. The maximum **Active Power** import requirement and the associated maximum **Reactive Power** import and/or export requirements should be stated.
3. This section relates to operating conditions when the **Power Station** is importing **Active Power**, typically when it is generating, but is not generating sufficient power to cater for all the on-site demand. The maximum **Active Power** import requirement and the associated maximum **Reactive Power** import and/or export requirements should be stated.
4. This section relates to operating conditions when the **Power Station** is exporting **Active Power**. The **Active Power** export and associated maximum **Reactive Power** range should be stated for operation at **Registered Capacity** and for operation at **Minimum Generation**.
5. See EREC G74, ETR 120 and IEC 60909 for guidance on fault current data. Additionally, fault current contribution data may be provided in the form of detailed graphs, waveforms and/or tables. This information need not be provided where detailed fault level contribution / impedance data is provided for each **Power Generating Module** in Schedules 5b or 5c.
6. The interface arrangements need to be agreed and implemented between the **User** and the **DNO** before energisation and consideration should be given to addressing the Distribution Code requirements including DGC5, DGC8, DPC6.7, , DOC5, DOC7.4, DOC8.6.3, DOC8.6.4, DOC9 and DOC10. For example DOC7 requires that up to date contact details are provided and procedures are agreed to establish an effective means of communication between the **Generator** and the **DNO**.
7. This information need not be provided where the interface protection is provided on each individual **Power Generating Module**. In such cases the information should be provided in Schedule 5b.

Schedule 5b

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

Power Generating Module DATA FOR ALL EMBEDDED Power Generating Modules

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u> 5b Power Generating Module Data	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
Power Generating Module GENERAL DATA			
Number of Power Generating Modules to which this data applies	Value	SPD	SPD
Type of Power Generating Module : Synchronous Generator, Fixed Speed Induction Generator, Double Fed Induction Generator, Series Convertor Connected Generator, Other (provide details)	Text	SPD	SPD
Energy Source (see note 1)	Text	SPD	SPD
Energy Conversion Technology (see note 1)	Text	SPD	SPD
Operating regime – intermittent or non-intermittent (see note 2)	Text	SPD	SPD
Is the Power Generating Module part of a combined heat and power installation?	Text	SPD	SPD
Power Generating Module OUTPUT DATA			
Rated terminal voltage (generator)	V	SPD	SPD
Rated terminal current (generator)	A	SPD	SPD
Power Generating Module Registered Capacity	MW	SPD	SPD
Power Generating Module apparent power rating (to be used as base for generator parameters)	MVA	SPD	SPD
Power Generating Module rated Active Power	MW	SPD	SPD
Maximum measured Active Power P ₆₀ (see note 3)	MW	DPD	DPD
Maximum measured Active Power P _{0.2} (see note 3)	MW	DPD	DPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u> 5b Power Generating Module Data	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
Minimum Generation (set connected; net of auxiliary loads)	MW	DPD	DPD
Power Generating Module Reactive Power capability at rated Active Power (gross, at generator terminals)			
Maximum Reactive Power export (lagging)	MVAr	DPD	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power import (leading)	MVAr	DPD	SPD
Power Generating Module performance chart (gross, at either the Power Generating Module terminals or Connection Point as agreed between the DNO and Generator , as per DPC7 Figure 1)	Figure	DPD	DPD
Power Generating Module MAXIMUM FAULT CURRENT CONTRIBUTION (see note 4)			
Peak asymmetrical short circuit current at 10ms (i_p) for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Power Generating Module terminals	kA	None	SPD
RMS value of the initial symmetrical short circuit current (I_k'') for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Power Generating Module terminals	kA	None	SPD
RMS value of the symmetrical short circuit current at 100ms ($I_{k(100)}$) for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Power Generating Module terminals	kA	SPD	SPD
Short circuit time constant T'' , corresponding to the change from I_k'' to $I_{k(100)}$	s	None	DPD
Positive sequence X/R ratio at the instant of fault	-	None	DPD
Power Generating Module VOLTAGE CONTROL			
If operating in Power Factor control mode, allowable Power Factor range		SPD	SPD
If operating in Power Factor control mode, target Power Factor		SPD	SPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u> 5b Power Generating Module Data	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
If operating in voltage control mode, voltage set point	V	SPD	SPD
If operating in reactive power control mode, reactive power set point	VA	SPD	SPD
If operating to any other control mode, description of parameters and set points.	Text	SPD	SPD
Frequency Response Settings			
Frequency response droop setting in LFSM	Per cent	DPD	SPD
Frequency response droop setting in FSM (if applicable)	Per cent	DPD	SPD
Frequency response mode, ie LFSM or FSM	text	DPD	SPD
Power Generating Module INSTALLED INTERFACE PROTECTION (see note 5)			
U/V Stage 1	V and s	SPD	SPD
U/V Stage 2	V and s	SPD	SPD
O/V Stage 1	V and s	SPD	SPD
O/V Stage 2 (if fitted)	V and s	SPD	SPD
U/F Stage 1	Hz and s	SPD	SPD
U/F Stage 2	Hz and s	SPD	SPD
O/F Stage 1	Hz and s	SPD	SPD
O/F Stage 2 (if fitted)	Hz	SPD	SPD
LoM (RoCoF)	Hzs ⁻¹ and s	SPD	SPD
LoM (Vector Shift)	degrees	SPD	SPD
LoM – other	Text	SPD	SPD

Notes:

1. For all new connection applications submitted on or after 1 September 2021 the energy source should be selected from Table 1 and the energy conversion technology should be selected from Table 2. For example a solar PV power generating module would have an energy source A and an energy conversion technology of 11):

Table 1

	Energy Source
A	Advanced Fuel (produced via gasification or pyrolysis of biofuel or waste)
B	Biofuel - Biogas from anaerobic digestion (excluding landfill & sewage)
C	Biofuel - Landfill gas
D	Biofuel - Sewage gas
E	Biofuel - Other
F	Biomass
G	Fossil - Brown coal/lignite
H	Fossil - Coal gas
I	Fossil - Gas
J	Fossil - Hard coal
K	Fossil - Oil
L	Fossil - Oil shale
M	Fossil - Peat
N	Fossil - Other
O	Geothermal
P	Hydrogen
Q	Nuclear
R	Solar
S	Stored Energy (all stored energy irrespective of the original energy source)
T	Waste
U	Water (flowing water or head of water)
V	Wind
W	Other

Table 2

	Energy Conversion Technology
1	Engine (combustion / reciprocating)
2	Fuel Cell
3	Gas turbine (OCGT)
4	Geothermal power plant
5	Hydro - Reservoir (not pumped)
6	Hydro - Run of river
7	Hydro - Other

	Energy Conversion Technology
8	Interconnector
9	Offshore wind turbines
10	Onshore wind turbines
11	Photovoltaic
12	Steam turbine (thermal power plant)
13	Steam-gas turbine (CCGT)
14	Tidal lagoons
15	Tidal stream devices
16	Wave devices
17	Storage - Chemical - Ammonia
18	Storage - Chemical - Hydrogen
19	Storage - Chemical - Synthetic Fuels
20	Storage - Chemical - Drop-in Fuels
21	Storage - Chemical - Methanol
22	Storage - Chemical - Synthetic Natural Gas
23	Storage - Electrical - Supercapacitors
24	Storage - Electrical - Superconducting Magnetic ES (SMES)
25	Storage - Mechanical - Adiabatic Compressed Air
26	Storage - Mechanical - Diabatic Compressed Air
27	Storage - Mechanical - Liquid Air Energy Storage
28	Storage - Mechanical - Pumped Hydro
29	Storage - Mechanical - Flywheels
30	Not used
31	Not used
32	Not used
33	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Lead Acid
34	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Lithium Polymer (Li-Polymer)
35	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Metal Air
36	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Nickle Cadmium (Ni-Cd)
37	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Sodium Nickle Chloride (Na-NiCl ₂)
38	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Lithium Ion (Li-ion)
39	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Sodium Ion (Na-ion)
40	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Lithium Sulphur (Li-S)
41	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Sodium Sulphur(Na-S)
42	Storage - Electrochemical Classic Batteries -Nickle –Metal Hydride (Ni-MH)
43	Storage - Electrochemical Flow Batteries - Vanadium Red-Oxide
44	Storage - Electrochemical Flow Batteries - Zinc – Iron (Zn –Fe)

	Energy Conversion Technology
45	Storage - Electrochemical Flow Batteries - Zinc – Bromine (Zn –Br)
46	Storage - Other
47	Other

2. Intermittent and Non-intermittent Generation is defined in EREP 130 as follows:
 - Intermittent Generation: Generation plant where the energy source for the prime mover can not be made available on demand
 - Non-intermittent Generation: Generation plant where the energy source for the prime mover can be made available on demand
3. For wind turbines only - IEC 61400-21 (P₆₀ and P_{0.2})
4. See EREC G74, ETR 120 and IEC 60909 for guidance on fault current data. Additionally, fault current contribution data may be provided in the form of detailed graphs, waveforms and/or tables. This information need not be provided where detailed fault level contribution / impedance data is provided for the site in Schedule 5a or for each **Power Generating Module** in Schedules 5c.
5. This information need not be provided where the interface protection is provided on a per **Power Station** basis. In such cases the information should be provided in Schedule 5a.

Schedule 5c (i)

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

Power Generating Module DATA FOR EMBEDDED Power Generating Modules

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u> 5c (i) Synchronous Power Generating Modules (or Equivalent Synchronous Power Generating Modules –see note 1)	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules</u> <50kW	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules</u> ≥50kW
Power Generating Module MODEL DATA			
Power Generating Module identifier	Text	SPD	SPD
Type of Power Generating Module (round rotor, salient pole or asynchronous equivalent – see note 1)	Text	SPD	SPD
Positive sequence (armature) resistance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Short circuit ratio (see note 2)	Number	DPD	DPD
Inertia constant (Power Generating Module and Prime Mover)	MWsec/ MVA	DPD	SPD
Direct axis reactances: Sub-transient (X''_d) – unsaturated / saturated Transient (X'_d) – unsaturated / saturated Synchronous (X_d) – unsaturated / saturated	per unit per unit per unit	SPD / SPD DPD / DPD DPD / DPD	SPD / SPD SPD / SPD SPD / SPD
Quadrature axis reactances: Sub-transient (X''_q) – unsaturated / saturated Transient (X'_q) – unsaturated / saturated Synchronous (X_q) – unsaturated / saturated	per unit per unit per unit	None None None	DPD / DPD DPD / DPD DPD / DPD
Time constants: State whether time constants are open or short circuit D-axis sub-transient – unsaturated / saturated D-axis transient – unsaturated / saturated Q-axis sub-transient – unsaturated / saturated Q-axis transient – unsaturated / saturated	Text s s s s	DPD DPD / DPD DPD / DPD None None	SPD SPD / SPD SPD / SPD DPD / DPD DPD / DPD
Stator leakage reactance (unsaturated)	per unit	None	DPD
Zero sequence resistance (earthed star only, including any neutral earthing resistance)	per unit	DPD	DPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
5c (i) Synchronous Power Generating Modules (or Equivalent Synchronous Power Generating Modules –see note 1)			
Zero sequence reactance (earthed star only, including any neutral earthing reactance)	per unit	DPD	DPD
Negative sequence resistance	per unit	DPD	DPD
Negative sequence reactance	per unit	DPD	DPD
Rated field current	A	DPD	DPD
Field current open circuit saturation curve (from 50% to 120% of rated terminal voltage)	Graph	DPD	DPD
Potier reactance (if saturation factor available – see note 3)	per unit	DPD	DPD
Saturation factor (pu field current to produce 1.2pu terminal voltage on open circuit)	per unit	DPD	DPD
Frequency response droop setting	Per cent	DPD	DPD
Frequency response mode, ie LFSM-O or FSM	text	DPD	DPD
Power Generating Module MODELS			
Governor and prime mover model (see note 4)	Model	DPD	SPD
AVR / excitation model (see note 4)	Model	DPD	SPD

Notes:

- Asynchronous generators may be represented here by an equivalent synchronous generator data set
- The short circuit ratio (SCR) of a **Power Generating Module** is one measure of the performance of a machine under short circuit conditions and is important in determining the unit's stability performance. The reciprocal of the per unit on rating saturated synchronous reactance, $X_d(\text{sat})$, is equal to the SCR.
- The Potier reactance is only required if the saturation factor is available. The saturation factor is defined as the pu value of field current required to generate 1.2pu stator terminal voltage on open circuit.
- Copies of the models must be provided for all Type C and Type D **Power Generating Modules**. For Type B **Power Generating Modules** the outputs of the models shall be used in completing the **Generator's** compliance simulations but the models themselves, and models for Type A **Power Generating Modules** will not generally be required by the **DNO** (see EREC G99 section 6.3).
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Schedule 5c (ii)

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

Power Generating Module DATA FOR EMBEDDED Power Generating Modules

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u> 5c (ii) Fixed Speed Induction Power Generating Modules	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
Power Generating Module MODEL DATA (see notes 1 and 2)			
Magnetising reactance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Stator resistance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Stator reactance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Inner cage or running rotor resistance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Inner cage or running rotor reactance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Outer cage or standstill rotor resistance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Outer cage or standstill rotor reactance	per unit	DPD	SPD
State whether data is inner-outer cage or running-standstill	Text	DPD	SPD
Number of pole pairs	number	DPD	DPD
Gearbox ratio	number	DPD	DPD
Slip at rated output	%	DPD	SPD
Total effective inertia constant (generator and prime mover)	MWsec/ MVA	DPD	SPD
Inertia constant of the generator rotor	MWsec/ MVA	DPD	DPD
Inertia constant of the prime mover rotor	MWsec/ MVA	DPD	DPD
Equivalent shaft stiffness between the two masses	Nm/ Electrical radian	DPD	DPD
Describe method of adding star capacitance over operating range (see notes 3 and 4)	Text	DPD	DPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
5c (ii) Fixed Speed Induction Power Generating Modules			
Shunt capacitance connected in parallel at % of rated output Starting 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%	kVAr or Graph	SPD	SPD
Active Power and Reactive Power import during start-up	MW- MVar / Time Graphs	SPD	SPD
Active Power and Reactive Power import during switching operations eg ‘6 to 4 pole’ change-over		DPD	SPD
Under voltage protection setting & time delay	puV, s	SPD	SPD
Governor and prime mover model (see note 5)	Model	DPD	SPD

Notes:

- Asynchronous generators may be represented by an equivalent synchronous data set
- The **User** will need to provide the above data for each asynchronous **Power Generating Module** based on the number of pole sets (ie two data sets for dual speed 4/6 pole machines).
- LV connected generators may just have a simple fixed capacitor bank.
- If electronic power factor control (eg SVC) is installed, provide details of the operating range and characteristics eg pf or MVar range - operating regime: constant or voltage set-point / slope and response times.
- Copies of the models must be provided for all Type C and Type D **Power Generating Modules**. For Type B **Power Generating Modules** the outputs of the models shall be used in completing the **Generator’s** compliance simulations but the models themselves, and models for Type A **Power Generating Modules** will not generally be required by the **DNO** (see EREC G99 section 6.3).

Schedule 5c (iii)

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

Power Generating Module DATA FOR EMBEDDED Power Generating Modules

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u> 5c (iii) Doubly Fed Induction Power Generating Modules	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
Power Generating Module maximum fault current contribution data (see note 1)	Schedule	SPD	SPD
Power Generating Module MODEL DATA (see note 2)			
Magnetising reactance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Stator resistance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Stator reactance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Running rotor resistance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Running rotor reactance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Standstill rotor resistance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Standstill rotor reactance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Rotor current limit	A	DPD	DPD
Number of pole pairs	number	DPD	DPD
Gearbox ratio	number	DPD	DPD
Generator rotor speed range (minimum to rated speed)	rpm	DPD	SPD
Electrical power output versus generator rotor speed	Graph / Table	DPD	DPD
Total effective inertia constant (generator and prime mover) at rated speed	MWsec/ MVA	DPD	SPD
Inertia constant of the generator rotor at rated speed	MWsec/ MVA	DPD	DPD
Inertia constant of the prime mover rotor at rated speed	MWsec/ MVA	DPD	DPD
Equivalent shaft stiffness between the two masses	Nm/ Electrical radian	DPD	DPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
5c (iii) Doubly Fed Induction Power Generating Modules			
DFIG unit models including excitation and prime mover control systems (see note 2)	Models	DPD	DPD
Number of operations of fast fault current injection that can be sequentially accomplished and any limitations on time, thermal limitations, protection etc.	Text	DPD	SPD

Notes:

1. Fault current contribution data should be provided under Schedule 5b.
2. Copies of the models must be provided for all Type C and Type D **Power Generating Modules**. For Type B **Power Generating Modules** the outputs of the models shall be used in completing the **Generator's** compliance simulations but the models themselves, and models for Type A **Power Generating Modules** will not generally be required by the **DNO** (see EREC G99 section 6.3)

Schedule 5c (iv)

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

Power Generating Module DATA FOR EMBEDDED Power Generating Modules

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u> 5c (iv) Series Converter Connected Power Generating Modules	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
Power Generating Module maximum fault current contribution data (see note 1)	Schedule	SPD	SPD
Power Generating Module MODEL DATA (see note 2)			
Gearbox ratio	number	DPD	DPD
Generator rotor speed range (minimum to rated speed)	rpm	DPD	SPD
Electrical power output versus generator rotor speed	Graph / Table	DPD	DPD
Total effective inertia constant (generator and prime mover)	MWsec /MVA	DPD	SPD
Inertia constant of the generator rotor at rated speed	MWsec / MVA	DPD	DPD
Inertia constant of the prime mover rotor at rated speed	MWsec / MVA	DPD	DPD
Equivalent shaft stiffness between the two masses	Nm/ Electrical radian	DPD	DPD
Series Converter Power Generating Module models including excitation, voltage/ Reactive Power and prime mover control systems (see note 2)	Models	DPD	SPD
Number of operations of fast fault current injection that can be sequentially accomplished and any limitations on time, thermal limitations, protection etc.	Text	DPD	SPD

Notes:

1. Fault current contribution data should be provided under Schedule 5b.

2. **SPD** will normally be sufficient, except where the **DNO** considers that the stability and security of the network is at risk. Sufficient **DPD** should then be provided in order to build up a suitable **Power Generating Module** dynamic model for analysis. Alternatively, a 'Black Box' dynamic model of the **Power Generating Module** may be provided. All models should be suitable for the software analysis package used by the **DNO**. Where required by the **DNO**, generator electrical parameters should be provided based on Schedule 5c (i) or 5c (ii), according to the type of machine used.

Schedule 5c (v)

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

Power Generating Module DATA FOR EMBEDDED Power Generating Modules

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u> 5c (v) Transformers	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules <50kW</u>	<u>Data Category for Power Generating Modules ≥50kW</u>
Transformer identifier	Text	SPD	SPD
Transformer type (Unit/Station/Auxiliary)	Text	SPD	SPD
Number of identical units	Number	SPD	SPD
Type of cooling	Text	SPD	SPD
Rated (apparent) power	MVA	SPD	SPD
Rated voltage ratio (on principal tap)	kV/kV	SPD	SPD
Positive sequence resistance on principal tap	per unit	DPD	SPD
Positive sequence reactance at principal tap	per unit	SPD	SPD
Positive sequence reactance at minimum tap	per unit	None	DPD
Positive sequence reactance at maximum tap	per unit	None	DPD
Zero sequence resistance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Zero sequence reactance	per unit	DPD	SPD
Winding configuration (eg Dyn11)	Text	DPD	SPD
Type of tap changer (on load / off circuit)	Text	SPD	SPD
Tap step size	%	SPD	SPD
Maximum ratio tap	%	SPD	SPD
Minimum ratio tap	%	SPD	SPD
Tap position in service (for off load tapchangers only)	%	DPD	SPD
Method of voltage control	Text	DPD	SPD
Method of earthing of high-voltage winding	Text	SPD	SPD
Method of earthing of low-voltage winding	Text	SPD	SPD

Schedule 5d

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

DNO NETWORK DATA

(Data indicative of that which may be requested by Users for parts of the Distribution System)

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>
5d DNO Network Data (see note 1)	
Fault Level at Connection Point prior to Power Generating Facility connection.	
Peak asymmetrical short circuit current at 10ms (i_p) for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA
RMS value of the initial symmetrical short circuit current (I_k'') for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA
RMS value of the symmetrical short circuit current at 100ms ($I_{k(100)}$) for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA
Peak asymmetrical short circuit current at 10ms (i_{p-e}) for a 1 ϕ -E short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA
RMS value of the initial symmetrical short circuit current (I_{k-e}'') for a 1 ϕ -E short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA
RMS value of the symmetrical short circuit current at 100ms ($I_{k-e(100)}$) for a 1 ϕ -E short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA
Circuit Data	
Circuit schematic diagram and geographic diagram showing normal open points	Diagram
Circuit impedances (R, X, B positive & zero sequence)	Specify
Circuit ratings and any seasonal variations	Specify
Is the network operated radial or non-radial?	Text
Circuit transformer voltage ratios eg HV/433/250	kV/V/V
Are circuit transformers zoned by applying the progressively higher tap settings for each group of transformers in zones along the circuit to optimise voltage regulation?	Y/N
Transformer Data (for each transformer)	
Transformer identifier	Text
Rated voltage ratio (on principal tap)	kV/kV
Winding configuration eg Dyn11	Text
Rated (apparent) power	MVA

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>
5d DNO Network Data (see note 1)	
Type of tap changer (on load / off circuit)	Text
Tap changer rating (forward and reverse power)	MVA / MVA
Tap step size	%
Maximum ratio tap	%
Minimum ratio tap	%
Normal tap position	%
Method of voltage control (voltage / LDC / NRC / other)	Text / Report
Controlled busbar (high-voltage side / low-voltage side / remote busbar)	Text
Target voltage and limits	kV, ±%
Normal system voltage on the high-voltage side	kV
Normal system voltage on the low-voltage side	kV
Positive sequence resistance	% on rating
Positive sequence reactance at principal tap	% on rating
Zero sequence resistance	% on rating
Zero sequence reactance	% on rating
Method of earthing of the high-voltage winding	Text
Method of earthing of the low-voltage winding	Text

Notes:

1. **Users** are advised to refer to network data items published in the **DNO's** Long Term Development Statement.

Schedule 5e

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

DATA FOR EMBEDDED TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
5e Embedded Transmission System Data		
EMBEDDED TRANSMISSION SYSTEM LOCATION & OPERATION		
Embedded Transmission System name	Text	SPD
Postal address or site boundary plan (1/500)	Text / Plan	SPD
Connection Point (OS grid reference or description)	Text	SPD
Connection Point voltage	V	SPD
Single line diagram of existing and proposed connections or Operation Diagrams when available	Diagram	SPD
Number of Power Station and/or Power Generating Modules connected to the Embedded Transmission System	Number	SPD
Operating regime of Power Station and/or Power Generating Modules – intermittent or non-intermittent (see note 1)	Text	SPD
Means of carrying out voltage control and/or power factor control at the Connection Point	Report	SPD
Embedded Transmission System performance chart (net, at Connection Point , as per DPC7 Figure 1)	Figure	DPD
EMBEDDED TRANSMISSION SYSTEM IMPORT REQUIREMENTS (see note 2)		
Maximum Active Power import	MW	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power import (lagging)	MVAr	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power export (leading)	MVAr	SPD
Requirements for Top-Up and / or Standby supplies	Text	SPD
EMBEDDED TRANSMISSION SYSTEM EXPORT REQUIREMENTS (see note 3)		
Total Embedded Transmission System output at Registered Capacity (net of auxiliary loads)		
Registered Capacity (maximum Active Power export)	MW	SPD
Maximum Reactive Power export (lagging)	MVAr	SPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
5e Embedded Transmission System Data		
Maximum Reactive Power import (leading)	MVAr	SPD
Total Embedded Transmission System output at Minimum Generation (net of auxiliary loads)		
Minimum Generation (minimum Active Power export)	MW	DPD
Maximum Reactive Power export (lagging)	MVAr	DPD
Maximum Reactive Power import (leading)	MVAr	DPD
Embedded Transmission System MAXIMUM FAULT CURRENT CONTRIBUTION (see note 4)		
Peak asymmetrical short circuit current at 10ms (i_p) for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA	SPD
RMS value of the initial symmetrical short circuit current (I_k'') for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA	SPD
RMS value of the symmetrical short circuit current at 100ms ($I_{k(100)}$) for a 3 ϕ short circuit fault at the Connection Point	kA	SPD
Short circuit time constant T'' , corresponding to the change from I_k'' to $I_{k(100)}$	s	DPD
Positive sequence X/R ratio at the instant of fault	-	DPD
Embedded Transmission System INTERFACE ARRANGEMENTS (see note 5)		
Means of connection, disconnection and Synchronising between DNO and User	Method statement	SPD
Site protection / co-ordination arrangements with DNO	Report	DPD
Site communications, control and monitoring (HV / LV)	Report	DPD

Notes:

- Intermittent and Non-intermittent Generation is defined in EREP 130 as follows:
 - Intermittent Generation: Generation plant where the energy source for the prime mover can not be made available on demand
 - Non-intermittent Generation: Generation plant where the energy source for the prime mover can be made available on demand
- This section relates to operating conditions when the **Embedded Transmission System** is importing **Active Power**, typically when it is not generating. The maximum **Active Power** import requirement and the associated maximum **Reactive Power** import and/or export requirements should be stated.
- This section relates to operating conditions when the **Embedded Transmission System** is exporting **Active Power**. The **Active Power** export and associated maximum **Reactive**

Power range should be stated for operation at **Registered Capacity** and for operation at **Minimum Generation**.

4. See EREC G74, ETR 120 and IEC 60909 for guidance on short-circuit current data. Additionally, fault current contribution data may be provided in the form of detailed graphs, waveforms and/or tables.
5. The interface arrangements need to be agreed and implemented between the **User** and the **DNO** before energisation and consideration should be given to addressing the Distribution Code requirements including DGC5, DGC8, DPC6.7, DOC5, DOC7.4, DOC8.6.3, DOC8.6.4, DOC9 and DOC10 and the requirements of EREC G59 and EREC G99 as applicable. For example DOC7 requires up to date contact details and procedures are required to establish an effective means of communication between the **Generator** and the **DNO**.

Schedule 5f

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

RE SYNCHRONISATION TIMES AND BLOCK LOADING CAPABILITIES FROM RESTORATION CONTRACTORS FOR DISTRIBUTION RESTORATION ZONES

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
5f Restoration Contractor Data		
RE-SYNCHRONISATION TIMES		
Assuming all Restoration Contractors' Equipment was running immediately prior to the Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown and in the event of loss of all external power supplies, provide the following information:		
The estimated time by when each item of relevant Plant identified in the DRZP can be Synchronised after receiving an instruction following a Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown , assuming all were running immediately prior to the Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown including, where appropriate, at time intervals of being Shutdown 12 hours, 24 hours, 36 hours, 48 hours and 72 before the Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown . (see note 1)	Tabular or graphical	DPD
Describe any significant issues (ie those that would affect the time at which the Anchor Power Generating Module or Restoration Contractor's Plant to be Synchronised) that may arise, as time progresses without external supplies being restored.	Text	DPD
BLOCK LOADING CAPABILITIES		
The estimated Block Loading Capability of the relevant Plant shall be provided in either graphical or tabular format showing the estimated Block Loading Capability from 0MW to the Plant's Registered Capacity . Any particular Active Power loading points at which the Anchor Generator's Plant or Restoration Contractor's Plant should be operated until further changes in output can be accommodated, and the time between those changes, should also be identified. The data of each Restoration Contractors' Equipment identified in a DRZP should be provided for the condition of the Restoration Contractors' Equipment which were Synchronised immediately prior to the Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown and where appropriate for time intervals of being Shutdown 12 hours, 24 hours, 36 hours, 48 hours and 72 hours before the Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown . (See note 1)	Tabular or graphical	DPD

FREQUENCY CONTROL SETTING INFORMATION		
Frequency control device (or speed governor) settings of the relevant Plant for normal operation and when operating under a Distribution Restoration Contract as part of a DRZP .	Text, tabular and graphical	DPD

Note 1 Please refer to DPC8.11.3 for the details of the data required.

Schedule 5g

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

System Restoration Information

<u>Data Description</u>			
5g Restoration Contractor Data			
System Restoration Information			
<u>Assurance Activity</u>	<u>Distribution Code Reference</u>	<u>Frequency of activity</u>	<u>Date of test, results and comments</u>
Remote Synchronisation Test	DOC5.7.3.2(m)	3 yearly	
Resilience to Total Shutdown or Partial Shutdown of Restoration Contractor.	DOC5.7.3.6(a)	3 yearly	
Voice system capability validation	DOC5.7.3.7	Yearly	
Cyber security	DOC5.7.3.6(b)	3 yearly	

Schedule 6

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

DEMAND FORECASTS

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>TIME PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>UPDATE TIME</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
1. Half hour Active Power and Power Factor at Annual ACS Conditions for specified time of the annual peak half hour at the associated Grid Supply Points and at the specified time of the annual peak half-hour of the National Electricity Transmission System Demand	MW/ MVA _r	8 weeks - 3 years	Week 35	OD
2. Half hour Active Power and Power Factor at Average Conditions at the specified half hour of the annual minimum National Electricity Transmission System Demand .	MW/ MVA _r	8 weeks - 3 years	Week 35	OD
3. Half hour Power output of Embedded Power Generating Module and/or Embedded Transmission System at the specified half hour of the annual peak half hour of the National Electricity Transmission System	MW	8 weeks - 3 years	Week 35	OD
4. Schedules for the operation of Embedded Power Generating Modules and/or Embedded Transmission Systems whose output is greater than 5MW on a half-hourly basis	MW Date Time	2 weeks to 8 weeks ahead	1600 hrs each Friday	OD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>TIME PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>UPDATE TIME</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
5. Suppliers shall provide details of their proposed use of Demand Control measures aggregated to 5MW or more (averaged over any half hour) on a half hourly basis for each DNO Connection Point .	MW Date Time	2 weeks to 8 weeks ahead	1600 hrs each Friday	OD
6. Customers, Suppliers, Other Network Operators and other DNOs connected to the DNO's Distribution System shall notify the DNO where their or their Customers operations are likely to result in an aggregated change in Demand at the DNO Connection Point of supply of greater than 5MW of the Demand at that time on a half hourly basis.	MW Date Time	2 weeks to 8 weeks ahead	1600 hrs each Friday	OD
7. Items 5, 6 and 7 above updated.		2 days to 12 days ahead	0900 hrs each Wednesday	OD
8. Details of differences greater than 5MW from the schedules of operation of any Embedded Power Generating Module and/or Embedded Transmission System on a half-hourly basis submitted under item 5 above.	MW Date Time	0 - 24 hrs ahead	As specified	OD
9. Details from Suppliers of any differences of the amount and donation of their proposed use of Customer Demand Control (aggregated over any half hourly basis submitted under item 6 above).	MW Date Time	0 - 24 hrs ahead	As specified	OD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>TIME PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>UPDATE TIME</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
10. Details from each User connected to the DNO's Distribution System of any change in aggregate Demand at the point of surplus of greater than 5MW of the Demand .	MW Date Time	0 - 24 hrs ahead	As specified	OD
11. Details of half hour Active Power and Reactive Power output sent out to the DNO's Distribution System by Embedded Power Generating Module and/or Embedded Transmission System during the previous day on a half hourly basis.	MW MVAr	Previous day	0300	OD
12. Suppliers , Other Network Operators and other DNOs connected to the DNO's Distribution System will provide details of the amount and duration of Demand Control at the DNO Connection Point aggregated to 5MW or more (arranged over any half hour) which was implemented during the previous Operational Day .	MW Time	Previous day	0300	OD

Schedule 7a

OPERATIONAL PLANNING - LONG TERM

YEARS 3 AHEAD-

EMBEDDED GENERATORS CONNECTED TO THE DNO'S DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AS SPECIFIED BY THE DNO

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>TIME PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>UPDATE TIME</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
1. For individual Power Generating Modules or Embedded Transmission Systems the Set/System number and Power Generating Module/ Embedded Transmission System capacity. Preferred outage dates earliest start date latest finish date.	MW Date	Years 3 ahead	Week 2	OD
2. DNO advise Embedded Generators of:-				
(a) details of Embedded Power Generating Module or Embedded Transmission System they may withdraw from service.	Date	Years 3 ahead	Week 12	OD
(b) Output Usable requirements.	MW Date	Years 3 ahead	Week 12	OD
3. Embedded Generators provide DNO with				
(a) update of provisional Embedded Power Generating Module or Embedded Transmission System outage programme.	Date	Years 3 ahead	Week 12	OD
(b) Registered Capacity .	MW			
(c) Neutral weekly Output Usable forecasts.	Date			

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>TIME PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>UPDATE TIME</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
4. DNO following discussion with Embedded Generator will notify, with reason, revision to the provisional Embedded Power Generating Module or Embedded Transmission System outage programme.	Date	Years 3 ahead	Week 28	OD
5. DNO following discussion with Embedded Generator will notify, with reason, revisions to the provisional Embedded Power Generating Module or Embedded Transmission System outage programme. (This taking into account User outages received in Week 28).	Date	Years 3 ahead	Week 42	OD
6. DNO following discussion with Users agree Users outages.	Date	Years 3 ahead	Week 43	OD

Schedule 7b

OPERATIONAL PLANNING - MEDIUM TERM

YEARS 1-2

EMBEDDED GENERATORS CONNECTED TO THE DNO'S DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AS SPECIFIED BY THE DNO

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>TIME PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>UPDATE TIME</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
1. For individual Power Generating Modules or Embedded Transmission System the Set/System numbers and Embedded Power Generating Module/ Embedded Transmission System capacity. Preferred outage dates earliest start date latest start date.	MW Date	Years 1 - 2	Week 2	OD
2. Embedded Generators provide the DNO with estimates of:-				
(a) Output Usable	MW Date	Years 1 - 2	Week 10	OD
(b) outage programme	Date	Year 1		
3. DNO following discussion with Embedded Generator provide:-	Date	Years 1 - 2	Week 12	OD
(a) Details of Embedded Power Generating Module or Embedded Transmission System they may withdraw from service for an outage				
(b) Update of Embedded Generator outage programme.				
4. DNO notify each Embedded Generator of Output Usable requirements.	MW Date	Years 1 - 2	Week 12	OD
5. Embedded Generator provides estimates of Output Usable of each Embedded Power	MW Date	Years 1 - 2	Week 41	OD

Generating Module or Embedded Transmission System				
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Schedule 7c

OPERATIONAL PLANNING - SHORT TERM

EMBEDDED GENERATORS CONNECTED TO THE DNO'S DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AS SPECIFIED BY THE DNO

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>TIME PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>UPDATE TIME</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
1. For individual Power Generating Modules or Embedded Transmission Systems the Set/System number and Embedded Power Generating Module/ Embedded Transmission System capacity. Duration of outage earliest start date latest finishing date.	MW Date	Weeks 9 - 52		
Output Usable estimates.	MW Date	Weeks 9 - 52	Week 2	OD
2. DNO informs Embedded Generators of Output Usable requirements.	MW Date	Weeks 9 - 52	Week 4	OD
3. Embedded Generators provide DNO with Embedded Power Generating Module or Embedded Transmission System Output Usable estimates.	MW Date	Weeks 18 - 52	Week 10	OD
4. DNO informs Embedded Generators of change to Output Usable requirements.	MW Date	Weeks 18 - 52	Week 12	OD
5. Embedded Generators provide DNO with Embedded Power Generating Module or Embedded Transmission System Output Usable estimates.	MW Date	Weeks 28 - 52	Week 25	OD
6. DNO informs Embedded Generators of changes to Output Usable requirements.	MW Date	Weeks 31 - 52	Week 27	OD

7. Embedded Generators will provide estimates of Embedded Power Generating Module or Embedded Transmission System Output Usable.	MW Date	Weeks 44 - 52	Week 41	OD
8. DNO inform contracted Embedded Generators of changes to Output Usable requirements.	MW Date	Weeks 44 - 52	Week 43	OD

Schedule 7d

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

OPERATIONAL PLANNING - USER PLANT, APPARATUS AND SYSTEMS

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>TIME PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>UPDATE TIME</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
Users provide the DNO with details of proposed outages which may affect the performance of the DNO's Distribution System . Details of trip testing, risks of trip and other information where known which may affect the security and stability of the DNO's Distribution System shall also be included.	Dates	Years 1 - 2 and Years 3 ahead	Week 28	OD
Update of previously submitted data for year 3 ahead.				
Following consultation with Users and DNO will include agreed outage proposals in the programme.	Date	Years 3 ahead Years 1 - 2	Week 43 Week 48	OD OD
As changes occur.	Update of Users proposals agreed in the Medium Term Plan.			

Schedule 8

DATA REGISTRATION CODE

SYSTEM DESIGN INFORMATION

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
<u>General Information:</u> <u>Type of load and control arrangements</u> <u>Maximum load on each phase at time of Peak Demand</u>		DPD
<u>Fluctuating Loads:</u>		
Rate of change of Demand – Active Power and Reactive Power increasing and decreasing	MW/s MVA _r /s	DPD
Shortest repetitive time intervals between fluctuations in Demand Active Power and Reactive Power	s	DPD
Largest step change Active Power and Reactive Power increasing and decreasing	MW/s MVA _r /s	DPD
Maximum energy Demand per half hour	MWh	DPD
Steady state residual Demand (MW) between Demand fluctuations	MW	DPD
<u>Reactive Compensation</u>		
Rating of individual shunt reactors (not associated with cables)	MVA _r	DPD
Rating of individual capacitor banks	MVA _r	DPD
Details of any automatic control logic such that operating characteristics can be determined.	Text/ Diagrams	DPD
Point of connection to the System	Diagram	DPD
<u>Lumped Network Susceptance</u>		
Details of the equivalent lumped network susceptance of the User System referred back to the connection with the DNO's Distribution System .	MVA _r	DPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
Including shunt reactors which are an integrated part of a cable system and which are not normally in or out of service independent of the cable. Excluding independently switched reactive compensation connected to the User System and any susceptance of the User System inherent in the active and reactive Demand .		DPD
<u>Fault Infeeds</u>		
Maximum and minimum short circuit infeeds into the DNO's Distribution System	MVA	DPD
X/R ratio under maximum and minimum short circuit conditions		DPD
[Contribution from rotating plant]		DPD
Equivalent network information at the request of the DNO		DPD
Interconnection Impedance		DPD
For User interconnections that operate in parallel with the DNO's Distribution System details of the interconnection impedance shall be exchanged between the DNO and User , including <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: right;"> Positive Sequence Resistance Zero Sequence Resistance Positive Sequence Reactance Zero Sequence Reactance Susceptance </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> % on 100 % on 100 % on 100 % on 100 % on 100 </div> <div style="text-align: left;"> DPD DPD DPD DPD DPD </div> </div>		
If the impedance in the view of the DNO is low then more detailed information will be requested.		
Demand Transfer Capability		DPD
Information shall be exchanged on Demand transfer capability where the same Demand may be supplied from alternative DNO or User points of supply including the proportion of Demand normally fed from each point of supply	MW	DPD

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
The arrangements for manual/automatic transfer under planned/outage conditions should be provided		DPD
Non - DNO System Data		
The DNO will request information on circuit parameters, switchgear and Protection arrangements	Text/ Diagrams	DPD
Transient Overvoltages		DPD
Demand Profile For Day Of Exit Point Peak Demand		DPD
Demand Profile For Day Of Exit Point Minimum Demand		DPD

Schedule 9**DATA REGISTRATION CODE****LOAD CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>DATA DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>DATA CATEGORY</u>
Geographical and electrical point of connection and date connection required Diagrams existing and proposed connections	Text	SPD
Types of Demand :-		
Maximum Active Power Demand Registered Capacity	MW	SPD
Maximum and minimum Reactive Power requirement	MVAr	SPD
Type of load and control arrangements. Eg variable speed motor type of starter employed	Text	SPD
Maximum Phase Voltage Unbalance	Ratio/ Phase at the time	SPD
Maximum harmonic content	% THVD	SPD
Fluctuating Loads:- Graphical indication of typical cycle variation of Demand (Active / Reactive)	Graphical	SPD
Load Management Data	Text	
Maximum short circuit infeed based on Power Generating Module subtransient reactance	MVA	SPD
Maximum zero phase sequence impedance of the User's System at the connection point	% on 100 MVA	SPD
2 hour Demand profiles for Peak Demand	MW and MVAr	SPD
Monthly Peak Demand variation	MW and MVAr	SPD

ISSUE SUMMARY

No.	Date	Details of Change
1	01/10/02	<p>This is the first issue of the Distribution Code for Great Britain. The D Code has been formed from an amalgamation of the pre-existing Scottish (Issue 4), and England & Wales (Modification 13) D Codes.</p> <p>There are no deliberate policy changes introduced in this first issue of the GB code: the drafting reflects the requirements existing in both forerunner codes. However, there are changes to the wording from both codes necessary in adopting a common text. These changes have been kept to a minimum consistent with developing a common Distribution Code for Great Britain. The detail of these changes from the forerunner codes was publicly consulted on as part of the process of introducing the Distribution Code for Great Britain.</p> <p>Where there are technical, regulatory or institutional differences between Scotland and England & Wales the drafting has preserved these differences in the combined code where necessary.</p>
2	01/03/03	Annex 1 amended to recognise that ER G75 has been re-issued as ER G75/1.
3	01/09/03	<p>Modifications in respect of data requirements for Embedded Generators – particularly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the addition of new DPC1.6 and DPC1.7; • additions to DPC4.5.1; • new DPC5.1.2; • modified DPC7.3 and new DPC7.3.4 <p>Modifications to the Distribution Data Registration Code</p>
4	01/03/04	<p>Introduction of ER G83/1 governing the connection of small-scale generation. Minor changes to definitions of Embedded Generator and Generator, plus new note in DPC7.1.3 and minor explanatory notes in 5.4.5 and Appendix 1 of the Guide. Rationalisation of use of Embedded Generator and Generator throughout the text.</p> <p>Modification to the following clauses for the consequential changes attendant on the replacement of the Electricity Supply Regulations with the Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations: DPC4.2.2.1; DPC4.2.2.2; DPC4.4.2; DPC4.4.4; DPC5.2.1; DPC5.3.4; DPC5.4.3; DOC5.4.8; DOC10.1.1; DOC10.4.5.1</p>
5	01/08/04	<p>Governance of Standards</p> <p>Modification to:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Glossary and Definitions: addition of Annex 1 Standard; Appendix 1 Standard; Individual DNO Standard; Qualifying Standard.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">new DGC 4.2 (g) & (h)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">DGC 4.4</p> <p>House keeping Changes to:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">DPC 5.4.1 (and Guide 2(e)) and DPC 5.4.3</p>

6	01/04/06	<p>Modifications for BETTA and LEEMPS</p> <p>Significant definitional and consequential changes to harmonise with BETTA and GB Grid Code drafting.</p> <p>Licence Exempt Embedded Medium Power Station drafting including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New definition of a DC Converter • Modifications to DPC7.3.3 in relation to data requirements • Addition of new section DPC7.5 relating to data and connection requirements • Addition of new Section DOC 5.6 in relation to compliance testing of Medium Power Stations
7	01/07/06	<p>Replace ER P2/5 with ER P2/6 and the following consequential changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addition of ETRs 130 and 131 to Annex 2. • Harmonisation of lower limit for DDRC Schedules 6 & 7 at 1MW <p>Replace ER G5/4 with ER G5/4-1 in Annex 1 and in DPC 4.2.3(b)</p>
8	01/11/06	<p>Modify the definitions of Large, Medium and Small Power Stations to align with changes to the GB Grid Code.</p>
9	01/06/08	<p>Minor housekeeping corrections to DGC6.1 and DOC 1.1.5 to point to DGD 2(vi).</p> <p>Replace references to G83/1 with references to G83/1-1</p>
10	15/12/08	<p>Modified to include IDNOs in governance of the D Code. Primarily mods to DGC4.</p> <p>Gas and Electricity Consumers' Committee changed to NCC in accordance with Ofgem directive of 1 October 2008.</p>
11	24/06/09	<p>Modified for Offshore Transmission.</p> <p>New definitions of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Embedded Transmission Licensee Embedded Transmission System Existing Offshore Generators Great Britain National Electricity Transmission System National Electricity Transmission System Demand Offshore Offshore Transmission Implementation Plan Offshore Transmission System Operator Offshore Transmission Licensee Offshore Transmission System Onshore Transmission Licensees Onshore Transmission System SHETL SPT <p>and consequential amendments.</p> <p>Various changes to the code to ensure that conceptually an embedded transmission system, ie an offshore transmission system</p>

		connecting to a DNO network is treated like a Large Power Station for planning and operating purposes. Note that for safety interfaces etc, the offshore transmission network is treated in the code in the same way as an existing onshore transmission interface.
12	01/02/10	Addition of revised ENA TS 41-24 to Annex 1
13	01/08/10	<p>Revised for updated requirements for the connection of embedded generation.</p> <p>Revision to the definition of System Stability</p> <p>Replacement of Annex 1 Item 3 with ER G59/2</p> <p>Removal of Annex 1 Item 4 ER G75/1</p> <p>Addition of new document to Annex 2 - ER P18.</p> <p>New section DGC11</p> <p>DPC4.2.3 re-organised and amended to include the treatment of voltage step changes.</p> <p>New DPC4.4.1(f) citing ER P18 as a limit on 132kV system design complexity.</p> <p>New DPC 7.1.4 dealing with short term paralleling requirements</p> <p>New DPC7.2 section dealing with operational requirements transferred from G59</p> <p>New DPC7.4.3section dealing with protection requirements, mainly transferred from G59</p> <p>Modified DPC7.4.4 for fault ride through requirements</p> <p>New DPC 7.4.5 for system stability requirements mainly transferred from ER G75/1</p> <p>New DPC 7.4.6 on earthing, largely incorporating requirements from G59</p> <p>New DPC7.4.9.2 detailing requirements for commissioning tests</p> <p>Review and updating of DDRC schedules.</p>
14	01/02/11	<p>Changes to DGC4.5 and Constitution and Rules to require consideration of greenhouse gas emissions.</p> <p>Update to Annex 2 Item 2, the Distributed Generation Connection Guide</p>
15	12/04/11	<p>Inclusion of Guidance Note 2 in the published version of the D Code</p> <p>Revision of G59/2 to G59/2-1 in Annex 1</p>
16	01/08/11	Addition of ER G87 Guidelines for the Provision of Low Voltage Connections to Multiple Occupancy Buildings to Annex 2 of the Guide to the Distribution Code
17	07/10/11	Minor amendments to Guidance Note 2.
18	29/03/12	Minor amendments to Guidance Note 2.
19	01/11/12	Replace G83/1-1 with G83/2 and update Guidance Note 2.

		Add Guidance Note 3
20	01/09/13	Modifications to the protection requirements in 7.4.3.4 to align with G59/3
21	01/01/14	Modifications to DGC to implement the Code Administrators' Code of Practice. Modification to DIN 2.1 to implement EU Third Package requirements. Minor housekeeping changes to definitions of Distribution Data Registration Code and Distribution Code Review Panel to correct typographical errors.
22	01/02/14	Modification to Annex 1 to note the change from ER G12/3 to ER G 12/4
23	01/08/14	Modification to DPC 7.4.3.3 and DPC 7.4.3.4 to increase RoCoF protection settings to provide greater Total System stability
24	21/08/14	Modifications to DPC 7.4.2 and Schedules 5a and 5b to accommodate additional reporting of Small Generator data to National Grid
25	21/08/14	Modifications to DOC2.2 and DOC2.4 to reflect EU Transparency Regulations on demand customers >100MW Housekeeping amendments to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOC 6.1.3 (Electricity Supply Emergency Code name change) • Amended DGC 4.3(d) to replace National Consumers' Council with Citizens Advice. • Update of reference to ETR130-1
26	31/07/15	Replace EREC G59/3-1 with EREC G59/3-2 in Annex 1
27	01/10/15	Modification to DPC 6.2 Replace reference to G12/4 (2013) with G12/4-1(2015) Following publication of a separate user-friendly Distribution Code Summary Guidance document the Guide section has been removed from the Code.
28	01/05/17	Modification to DIN 2.1 – addition of (b) iv) Modification to DOC5 and DOC7 to ensure it is compliant with the EU Network Code “Transmission System Operation Guidelines” (TSOG). The TSOG is expected to enter into force in summer 2017 and some parts of it are effective immediately. These changes are intended to ensure compliance with the TSOG on its entry into force.
29	01/02/18	Modification to DPC7.4.3.4 and DPC7.4.3.7 to change RoCoF compliance requirements, and prohibit the future use of vector shift

		as LoM protection. Replace reference to ER G59/3-2 with ER G59/3-3
30	01/03/18	To take cognisance of the revision to EREC P25 (amalgamation of ER P25 and ERP26). Modification to Annex 1 list and DPC4.3.2, DPC4.4.1 and DPC6.5.1. Remove reference to ER P26.
31	16/05/18	Definition of Small, Medium and Large Power Stations altered to incorporate introduction of the European Network Code Requirements for Generators. Modification to DPC 7 to allow for compliance with the European Network Code Requirements for Generators achieved by the introduction of Engineering Recommendations G98 and G99. Removal of G59 duplicate clauses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DPC7.1.4 and DPC7.1.5 Parallel operation • DPC7.2.2 and DPC7.2.4 Isolation and safety labelling • DPC7.2.5 Disconnection • DPC7.2.6 Operational & Safety • DPC7.2.8 Synchronising • DPC7.4.1.3 Frequency Operating Range • DPC7.4.3.4, DPC7.4.3.5 and DPC7.4.3.6, DPC7.4.3.9 Protection DOC 5 clarification around Medium Power Stations.
32	01/07/18	Update of G59/3-3 to G59/3-4, and G83/2 to G83/2-1 throughout. Minor update to Guidance Note to reflect this change.
33	23/07/18	Correction of compliance date for G98 and G99 from 17 May 2019 to 27 April 2019; update of references to G98 and G99 for the housekeeping mods to those two documents.
34	10/09/18	New DPC9 (and associated definitions) added to implement the Demand Connexion Code.
35	08/11/18	Update to Annex 1 to include new references to EREC S34 Issue 2 and TS 41-24 Issue 2.
36	10/12/18	Updated to include new references to EREC G98 Issue 1 Amendment 2 and to EREC G99 Issue 1 Amendment 3.
37	14/03/19	Update references in Annex 1 to EREC G83 and EREC G98. Consequential modification to Guidance Note 2. New clause DPC 8.3.2 implementing reciprocal data rights for Users as required by KORRR article 5.
38	01/04/19	NGC replaced with NGESO or NGET as appropriate, reflecting the separation of National Grid's transmission licence into system operator and transmission asset owner.
39	23/05/19	Update to reflect modification to EREC P28. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annex 1 - Qualifying Standards

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DPC4.2.3.2 – Voltage Disturbances • DPC4.2.3.3 – Voltage Step Changes
40	16/06/19	Annex 1 updated to reflect new versions of ERECs G59, G83, G98, and G99.
41	10/08/19	<p>Update to Annex 1 to replace ER P2/6 with EREC P2/7. Consequential removal of Guidance Note 1.</p> <p>Update of Annex 2 to replace ETR 130 with EREP 130.</p> <p>Both updates include the following consequential changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarifying EREC P2 as being a standard defining the security of supply that is to be achieved and EREP 130 the guidance as how this is achieved. • Formally incorporating Distributed Energy Resources (DER) into EREC P2 and EREP 130; • Removal of F-Factors and other tables associated with assessing the security contribution from Distributed Generation from EREC P2 whilst retaining and updating in EREP 130; • Refreshing the definition of demand to appropriately include consideration and treatment of flexible resources such as Distributed Generation (DG) and Demand Side Response (DSR); and • Specifically excluding the security of supply to DG installations from the scope of EREC P2 as justified by the consortiums analysis and findings.
42	01/09/19	Update reference to EREC G59/3-7 and EREC G83/3-5 in Annex 1 and consequential amendments in GN2, DPC7.2.1, DPC7.4.9.2.
43	14/11/19	Update reference to EREC G99/1-5 in Annex 1
44	09/03/20	Update reference to EREC G99/1-6 in Annex 1
45	12/06/20	<p>Update reference to Engineering Report 131 and title.</p> <p>Reassignment of documents to Annex 1 and Annex 2 classifications; EREP 130 Annex 2 to Annex 1.</p> <p>EREC S34, TS 41-24, EREC G12 and EREC P25 Annex 1 to Annex 2.</p> <p>Updated the cross referencing in the text to the Annexes.</p> <p>Update reference to EREC G5/5 from G5/4.</p>
46	01/08/21	<p>Update definition of Demand Unit in DGD.</p> <p>Update references to EREC G98/1-5 and EREC G99/1-7 in Annex 1.</p>
47	01/09/21	<p>Replacement of Production Type in DDRC Schedule 5b with Energy Source and Energy Conversion Technology to reflect DNO's licence requirement to populate the Embedded Capacity Register.</p> <p>Update references to EREC G98/1-6 and EREC G99/1-8 in Annex 1.</p>

48	24/01/22	Update reference to EREC G12 Issue 4 Amendment 1 to Amendment 2 in Annex 2 Qualifying Standards
49	28/03/22	<p>Updates are in reference to the DCRP modification for Distribution Code Compliance;</p> <p>New definitions added</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Day • De-energise • Distribution Code Compliance Process • Effective Date • G59 3/7 Modification • Retrospective Modification <p>Update to DGC11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing DGC11.2 text has been removed and replaced with new text for sections DGC11.2 - DGC11.4 • Existing DGC11.3 has been re-numbered to DGC11.5 to allow inclusion of new sections. <p>New sections of text DGC12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCG12 Customer and Generator Compliance with the Distribution Code
50	11/07/22	<p>Updates reference EU Exit modification</p> <p>Amendment to Guidance Note 2</p> <p>Amendment to Guidance Note 3 (paragraphs 3 and 4)</p> <p>New definitions added</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IP Completion Day • Legally Binding Decisions of European Commission and/or the Agency • Retained in EU Law <p>Definition amended</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manufacturer Information <p>New section of text added to DGD 2 (x)</p> <p>Amendment to ‘Legally Binding Decisions’ in DIN2.1 (b)(iii)</p> <p>DGC12.5 amended to include ‘Retained in EU Law’</p> <p>DGP7.1.5 amended to include ‘Retained EU Law’</p> <p>Removal of section DOC2.2 (c)</p> <p>DOC5.6.2.2 text amended to include ‘the Grid Code’</p> <p>Updates in reference to EREC P18 Issue 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title change to document listed in Annex 2 section • Amended text DPC4.4.1(e) reflecting title change
51	03/10/22	Update references to EREC G98/1-7 and EREC G99/1-9 in Annex 1.
52	13/02/23	<p>Update references to EREC P2/8 and EREP 130/4 throughout:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance Note 1 amended and reference to P2 included

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annex 1 Qualifying Standards • DCP 4.2.1 text amendment
53	05/06/23	Update reference to EREC G12 Issue 4 Amendment 2 to EREC G12 Issue 5 in Annex 2 Qualifying Standards.
54	15/09/23	Update to DOC6 to allow protection for sites when implementing demand disconnection where technically feasible. Amendments to clauses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOC6.1.2 • DOC6.1.3 • DOC6.4.3
55	15/12/23	Minor updates to DOC6.1.3, DOC6.4.3 and DOC6.4.5 consequent on Modification GC0162 which clarifies the timing of demand disconnection levels beyond 20%.
56	04/03/24	Modifications to include the requirements to achieve the Electricity Restoration Standard. Updates and new requirements included in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glossary and Definitions – replacement of black start with system restoration and new definitions for terms associated with system restoration • Annex 1 Qualifying Standards • DPC6 – new requirements for restoration contractors • DPC7 – relocation of DPC7.4.8 into DPC6 • DPC8 – new system restoration reporting requirements • DOC2 - new system restoration reporting requirements • DOC5 – new system restoration testing requirements • DOC9 – new text for the creation of DRZPs and for the operation of DRZPs and LJRPs • DDRC – new schedules 5f & 5g
57	01/10/24	Modifications to enable the establishment of the ISOP , updates and changes included in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glossary and Definitions – removal of NGESO and Retained EU Law and addition of ESO Licence, GSP Licence, ISOP, NESO, Minister of the Crown, Assimilated Law, Information Request Notice and Information Request Statement. • Annex 1 and 2 Qualifying standards – addition of text clarifying the interpretation in annex documents relevant to name and definition changes. • DGC6 - two boilerplate clauses added DGC6.3 and DGC6.4 References to NGESO and Transmission Licence removed and amended where applicable to ISOP and ESO Licence respectively.
58	10/03/25	Update of Annex 1 to refer to latest versions of EREC G98 and EREC G99. Minor modification to DPC5 to reflect up-to-date appliances/loads. Inclusion of new DPC6.7.10 detailing requirements for access to DNO's current and voltage transformers and transducers.

		Modifications to the Distribution Data Registration Code: removal of the distinction between LV and HV connected generation.
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