

The Licensed Distribution Network Operators of Great Britain

Engineering Recommendation G75 - Recommendations for the connection of embedded generating plant to public distribution systems above 20kV or with outputs over 5MW

A consultation paper by the Distribution Code Review Panel

Background

Standard Distribution Licence Condition 9 requires holders of a distribution licence to prepare and at all times have in force and implement a Distribution Code, in consultation with authorised electricity operators liable to be materially affected.

The Distribution Code Review Panel has noted the developments by the Electricity Association in reviewing the existing Engineering Recommendation G75.

The review was initiated by the National Grid Company who noted deficiencies in the original drafting of ER G75, and who also had noted some lack of consistency in the way that DNOs were interpreting and applying ER G75. The review has involved representatives of large and small generators, as well as DNOs and NGC, and has been subject to significant consultation within those groupings already. The redrafted Engineering Recommendation will be known as ER G75/1.

Following consultation of interested parties in the development of the redrafted Recommendation, the Electricity Association now believes it appropriate to formally consult its members on the final drafting of ER G75/1 with a view to accepting the document.

Subject to ER G75/1 being accepted by EA member companies, the DCRP will reflect the results of this present DCRP consultation in a report to the Authority recommending that the Distribution Code be changed in accordance with this consultation paper, ie it is intended to replace current references in the Distribution Code to ER G75 with ER G75/1. This will be achieved by replacing the reference in Annex 1 of the Distribution Code.

Consultation Issues

Given the development of ER G75/1 comments are not expected. However any points should be made to John Sinclair (john_sinclair@electricity.org) at the Electricity Association by 4 October.

Comments on the consequential changes to the Distribution Code should be sent to the DCRP Secretary (paul.ward@uuplc.co.uk) on the DCRP pro-forma provided by 11 October.