

GB SQSS Working Group on Onshore Intermittent Generation

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We hope that the two GB SQSS review workshops held in London (2 May) and in Scotland (4 May) helped to shed light on the application of the GB SQSS and the challenges that are emerging due to increasing wind generation on the system. All the presentation slides from the workshops are on the GB SQSS Website under the working group section.

The studies presented by Strathclyde University and the DTI Centre for Distributed Generation and Sustainable Electrical Energy are currently in progress. Meanwhile, the transmission licensees are in the process of evaluating the performance of the current version of the GB SQSS to determine the impact of significant wind penetration on the boundary capabilities prescribed by the standard. In order to facilitate comparison of different candidate methodologies, a common scenario has been developed comprising datasets corresponding to three study years, 2007/8, 2013/14 and 2020/21. This scenario is also available on the website under the working group section. The findings from all the studies will inform the consultation document on the review of the GB SQSS, scheduled for July this year. It is hoped that industry stakeholders will actively participate in the consultation in order that all views are taken into account in deciding the way forward.

On another note, the GB SQSS governance arrangements have been published. These are available on the GB SQSS website under the Review Group. This means that interested parties can now formally request GB SQSS reviews. The format of a review request is given in Appendix B of the governance document. The review process itself is shown in form of a flow chart in Appendix A. The GB SQSS website is currently being populated with information on the Review Group and proceedings of the working groups, the idea being that up-to-date information should be available on the website. The documents to be published include the review register, latest version of the GB SQSS, the GB SQSS governance arrangements, Membership of the Review Group and the working groups, terms of reference, meeting notes, etc. The review register will show the review requests that are being processed as well as their progress statuses. Any comments on the Website should be sent to the GB SQSS review secretary on the following email address: GBsqss.Review@uk.ngrid.com