<u>Minutes of Distribution Code Review Panel Meeting – 15th March 2004</u> (revised 10th May)

Present: Gay Kirwan Chairman Siobhan Wynne Secretary

Martin Strong TSO representative (alternate)

Padraig Fleming CER representative

Tony Hearne DSO

Gary Ryan Independent Suppliers representative

Jerry O'Dwyer ETCI representative

Paddy O'Kane Embedded Generators representative Grattan Healy Accompanying Embedded Generators

representative

Deaglan O'Donaill PES Representative (alternate)

Donal Phelan DSO Representative

Paddy Wallace Major Customers representative

- 1. Paddy O'Kane was introduced as the new embedded genertors representative. Grattan Healy accompanied Paddy O'Kane for this meeting. In addition, Martin Strong (alternate TSO representative), Deaglan O'Donaill (alternate PES representative) and Tony Hearne (DSO) were introduced to the group.
- 2. The Panel approved the minutes of the previous meeting.
- 3. Tony Hearne gave a presentation in relation to the progress of the Wind Code Panel. He pointed out that Voltage Control issues remained a major question. The group discussed the findings presented. An issue was raised in relation to the fault ride through requirements and the reactive power requirements of wind generators in such instances. Grattan Healy indicated that this might give rise to substantial costs associated with compensation which would currently fall on distribution connected projects possibly doubling developers costs. It was agreed that this issue would need further discussion by the Wind Code Panel as this issue that had only come to light recently and had not been factored into the group's initial discussions.
- 4. Grattan Healy asked two questions: firstly whether the proposal would create discrimination viz other generators; secondly whether completion of a revised Distribution Code was seen by the TSO as a pre-condition for lifting the moratorium. The TSO accepted the former as a good point. The answer to the latter question from TSO was yes.
- 5. It was agreed that the TSO would submit a modification proposal in relation to the required changes to the Distribution Code arising form the Wind Code Panel. This modification proposal will be circulated in advance of the next Distribution Code panel meeting.
- 6. It was proposed that the next meeting be held on Tuesday 20th April or Wednesday 21st. This would however be dependent on the progress of the Wind Code Panel.

Siobhan Wynne, Secretary.

16th March 2004.