

INTRODUCTION TO THE MALAYSIAN DISTRIBUTION CODE



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Objectives of the Code

The Objectives of the Code are to:

- Specify the normal technical parameters and requirements for design and operation.
- Specify the technical requirements for connection to the **Distribution System.**
- Specify the data exchange requirements between Users and Distributors.
- Comply with relevant provisions of the Grid Code.





Scope of the Code

- Applies to distribution license holder and Users.
- Contain rules and technical procedures
- Designed to;
 - Permit the development, operation and maintenance.
 - □ Facilitate competition.
 - Ensure non discrimination.





Governance Arrangement

- Not stated under the Electricity Act 1990 (Act 447).
- Enforced by Energy Commission ('the Commission")
- The **Commission** has the responsibility for approving the **Distribution Code**.
- Legal obligation of each **Distributor** and **User**.





Governance Arrangement Cont.

- Low Voltage Consumers the Distributor has a duty to implement procedures for connection to the Distribution System.
- The Commission shall establish a Distribution Code Committee.





Distribution Code Committee

- Representation of The Distribution Code Committee.
 - Three members representing TNB Distribution Division
 - Two members representing other Distributors
 - Two members representing Embedded Distributors
 - Two members representing the Distributed Generators
 - Two members representing Regional Control Centres
 - One member representing Consumer
 - One member representing Energy Commission
 - > An observer appointed by the Grid System Operator





Distribution Code Committee Cont.

- An observer appointed by the Grid System Operator
- > An observer appointed by the TNB Transmission Division
- Any other party as an observer or a member whom the Committee feels necessary
- All members of the Distribution Code Committee shall be approved by the Commission. The Committee will be chaired by a Senior Officer of the Commission having adequate technical background.





Distribution Code Committee Cont.

The Committee's functions are to:

- Review the implementation of the Distribution Code
- Review all suggestions for amendments to the **Distribution Code**.
- Publish recommendations, for public consultation.
- Provide guidance in relation to the **Distribution Code** implementation, performance and interpretation.
- Consider what changes are necessary to the **Distribution Code**.





Legacy arrangements, Derogations and Exemptions

- Nothing contained in the Distribution Code is intended to modify, replace or negate the existing requirements and obligations established in Power Purchase Agreements and Connection Agreements.
- The **Distribution Code** is intended to complement and clarify of those previously issued documents.
- Original agreements take precedence only to the extent that they do not affect the safety and security of the **Distribution System**.





Disputes

- A dispute within the Committee and/or from public consultation on the provisions of the Distribution Code is resolved by the Distribution Code Committee.
- Interpretation and application of the provisions of the Distribution
 Code Parties are urged to settle disputes between themselves promptly and fairly as they arise.
- If a Distribution Code related dispute between a Distributor and User cannot be resolved, then the matter may be referred to the Commission for a decision.
- The Commission may then seek advice from the Committee on any dispute on interpretation of the Distribution Code. The Commission may decide to take assistance of sector/legal experts, as required for arriving at a decision





Sections under the Code

- The Distribution Code contains 9 sections;
- Preface
 - provides brief background information of the electricity supply industry in Malaysia
- Distribution glossary and definitions
 - provides descriptions and meanings of technical and other words or expression used in the Distribution Code
- Introduction
 - Describes the scope and propose of the establishment of the Distribution Code
- Distribution General Condition
 - covers legal interpretation and specifies the governance arrangement of the Distribution Code through Distribution Code Committee.





Sections under the Code Cont

- Distribution Planning Code
 - Ensure the planning of Distribution System are inline with electricity regulations to provide an economic, efficient and coordinate electricity supply system.
- Distribution Operation Code
 - Focus on coordination of safety operation and maintenance at points of interferences between Distributors and users.
- Distribution Connection Code
 - □ Specifies technical requirements to ensure uniformity and coordinated connections and compliance with DPC and DOC.





Sections under the Code Cont

- Data Registration Code
 - Specifies the requirements for registering data interchanged between Distributors and Users.
- Metering Code
 - Set out technical requirements for revenues metering at the interface between distributors and users.





Distribution General Condition

The objective of DGC are to;

- Ensure that the various sections of the Distribution Code work together and work in practice for the benefit of all Users.
- Specify the arrangements for the Distribution Code Committee.
- Covers legal interpretation and specifies the governance arrangement of the Distribution Code through Distribution Code Committee.





Distribution Planning Code

- The objectives of the Distribution Planning Code are:
- To enable the **Distributor's Distribution System** to be planned and designed so that the **Distribution System** operates within the supply performance and safety requirements.
- To specify the security, quality of supply and the limits of frequency, voltage and voltage distortion.
- To specify planning criteria and supply performance requirements.
- To specify requirements for determining **Demand** forecasts by the **Distributors** and **Users**.
- To establish requirements for provision of planning information.





Distribution Operating Code

- The objectives of the Distribution Operating Codes (DOC) are:
- To meet supply performance requirements in terms of adequacy, supply security, power quality, and safety for all **Users**;
- To specify requirements for determining and submission of operational **Demand** forecasts by all **Users**.
- To specify operating criteria and supply performance requirements to be complied with by all **Distributors**.
- To establish requirements for coordination of inspection and maintenance,
 Distribution System control, switching operations and monitoring of performance at the points of interface between the Distributors and Users; and
- To establish guidelines for exchange of operating information between the **Distributors** and **Users**.





Distribution Connection Code

- The objectives of the Distribution Connection Code are:
- To enable the **Distributor** to provide **Users** with a connection to the **Distribution System** through planning, design, construction, commissioning and operation to meet existing and planned loads.
- To specify the technical requirements of the Distributor and Users in relation to providing a User with a connection to the Distribution System; and
- To establish requirements for exchange of data and information between the **Distributor** and **Users** to enable the **Distributor** to make an offer of connection.





Data Registration Code

- The objective of the **DDRC** is to;
- collate and list in a readily identifiable form all the data to be provided by:
 - Each category of User to the Distributor under the Distribution Code.
 - The Distributor to each category of User under the Distribution Code.





Metering Code

- The objective is to;
 - establish technical requirements relating to Revenue Metering to enable the Distributor and the Users to comply with the Electricity Supply Laws and Licence obligations and that these technical requirements are consistent for all Users.
- Specify the following:
 - the technical requirements for the Equipment used for measurement and recording of electrical quantities required for Revenue Metering.
 - > the parameters to be measured and accuracy requirements.
 - the technical requirements relating to installation, testing, operation and maintenance metering installations.







THANK YOU

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