UK Grid Operations Update

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This paper presents an update on WLCG activities in the UK. The first part offers a general overview of how UK Grid deployment and operations has evolved during 2008 including a look at site performance improvements and continuing issues. The second section examines changes at the Rutherford based Tier-1 centre including resource changes and CASTOR developments and ends with a discussion of some of the decisions that are being taken around the move to a new computing building. The third section reviews findings from work done in conjunction with the LHC experiments in the UK and especially in the area of storage tuning at Tier-2 sites where SE limitations are becoming evident. The final section of the paper describes the progress made at the GridPP22 meeting in 2009 which examined issues of service resilience and disaster planning.