

# **CONSULTATION DOCUMENT**

# CUSC Amendment Proposal CAP129 Removal of Section B from Exhibit F and 6.17

The purpose of this document is to consult on Amendment Proposal CAP129 with CUSC Parties and other interested Industry members

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## I DOCUMENT CONTROL

## a National Grid Document Control

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#### 1.0 SUMMARY AND VIEWS

#### **Executive Summary**

- 1.1 CAP129 Removal of Section B from Exhibit F and 6.17 was proposed by National Grid and submitted to the Amendments Panel on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2006.
- 1.2 CUSC 6.17 requests data under the Grid Code from Users from the Transfer Date and Section B within Exhibit F requests Data under Paragraph 6.17. However, this was only relevant to Users who were parties to the MCUSA at the Transfer Date of March 1990 and is therefore not relevant to new applicants. Consequently this is causing confusion and National Grid believes it would be more efficient to remove the redundant provisions.

#### **National Grid's View**

1.3 National Grid, as the proposer of CAP129 is supportive of the Amendment Proposal, believing that it would better facilitate achievement of the applicable CUSC Objective (a).

#### **Amendment Panels View**

1.4 The Amendments Panel agreed that CAP129 should proceed to wider consultation by National Grid, for a period of 4 weeks.

#### 2.0 PURPOSE AND INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 This is a consultation document issued by National Grid under the rules and procedures specified in the Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC) as designated by the Secretary of State.
- 2.2 Further to the submission of Amendment Proposal CAP129, this document seeks views from industry members relating to the Amendment Proposal.
- 2.3 CAP129 was proposed by National Grid and submitted to the CUSC Amendments Panel for consideration at their meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2006. The Amendments Panel determined that CAP129 was appropriate to proceed to wider industry consultation by National Grid.
- 2.4 This consultation document outlines the nature of the CUSC changes that are proposed. Representations received in response to this consultation document will be included in National Grid's Amendment Report that will be furnished to the Authority for their decision.
- 2.5 This consultation document has been prepared in accordance with the terms of the CUSC. An electronic copy can be found on the National Grid website, at <a href="www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/">www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/</a> and the Amendment Proposal form. This document invites views upon CAP129 and the closing date is 5pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2006 for responses including any Consultation Alternatives.
- 2.6 CUSC Parties are reminded that any Consultation Alternatives must be submitted by the above closing date and must be in writing and contain sufficient detail in accordance with the requirements within CUSC 8.15.2

#### 3.0 PROPOSED AMENDMENT

- 3.1 CAP129 proposes to delete CUSC 6.17 and Section B from Exhibit F.
- 3.2 CUSC 6.17 requests data under the Grid Code from Users form the Transfer Date and Section B within Exhibit F requests Data under Paragraph 6.17. However this was only relevant to Users who were parties to the MCUSA at the Transfer Date of March 1990 and is therefore not relevant to new applicants.
- 3.3 Consequently, this is causing confusion when new applicants apply to National Grid via the form within Exhibit F which creates delays in the application process. National Grid believes it would be beneficial to remove the redundant provisions from the CUSC.

## 4.0 ASSESSMENT AGAINST APPLICABLE CUSC OBJECTIVES

#### **Proposed Amendment**

- 4.1 In the opinion of National Grid CAP129 would better facilitate the CUSC Objective;
  - (a) the efficient discharge by the Licensee of the obligations imposed upon it by the act and the Transmission Licence; and
- 4.2 This Amendment would remove redundant clauses and the potential for confusion when new applicants apply to National Grid for Use of System agreements under Exhibit F, therefore removing inefficiencies and delays within the application process.

#### 5.0 PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION

5.1 National Grid proposes CAP129 should be implemented 10 business days after an Authority decision because it has no material impact or effect on CUSC Parties. In accordance with 8.19.3(b) views are invited on this proposed implementation date.

#### 6.0 IMPACT ON THE CUSC

- 6.1 CAP129 requires amendments to 6.17 and Section B from Exhibit F of the CUSC.
- 6.2 The text required to give effect to this Proposal is contained in Annex 1 of this document.

## 7.0 IMPACT ON INDUSTRY DOCUMENTS

## **Impact on Core Industry Documents**

7.1 CAP129 has no impact upon Core Industry Documents.

#### 8.0 INITIAL VIEW OF THE AMENDMENTS PANEL

8.1 The Amendments Panel agreed that CAP129 should proceed to wider consultation by National Grid for a period of 4 weeks.

#### 9.0 INITIAL VIEW OF NATIONAL GRID

9.1 National Grid believes CAP129 would prevent delays in the application process and confusion for new applicants applying to National Grid which would better achieve CUSC Applicable Objective (a).

## 10.0 VIEWS INVITED

- 10.1 National Grid is seeking the views of interested parties in relation to the issues raised by Amendment Proposal CAP129 and issues arising from the proposed timescale for implementation.
- 10.2 Please send your responses to this consultation to National Grid by no later than **5pm on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2006.**
- 10.3 Please address all comments to the following e-mail address:

Beverley.Viney@uk.ngrid.com

Or alternatively, comments may be addressed to:

Beverley.Viney
Amendments Panel Secretary
Electricity Codes
National Grid
National Grid House
Warwick Technology Park
Gallows Hill
Warwick
CV34 6DA

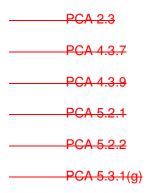
#### ANNEX 1 - PROPOSED LEGAL TEXT TO MODIFY THE CUSC

#### **CUSC Section 6**

The proposed Legal text to modify the CUSC is detailed below deleting the coloured struck through text and inserting the coloured underlined text.

#### 6.17 PROVISION OF DATA Not used

The majority of the data required under the **Grid Code** has been supplied by the **User** prior to the **Transfer Date**. However, in respect of the following data required under the **Planning Code** of the **Grid Code** it is agreed that each **User** who was a party to the **MCUSA** at the **Transfer Date** need only supply it under the **Grid Code** within one year of the **Transfer Date**, unless **The Company** requests it in writing before the expiry of that period, in which case the **User** from whom the data is requested must supply it within six weeks of receiving that request, except in the case of the data referred to in PCA 5.3.1(g) which need only be supplied within three months of receiving that request. The data to which this clause applies is that referred to in the following paragraphs of the **Planning Code:** 



The Company shall also be able to request a User in writing at any time to supply to The Company any data under the Planning Code which it should have supplied to The Company prior to the Transfer Date but which it did not supply, and the User must supply that data upon receiving that request. This Paragraph 6.17 shall not apply to a User acting as a Supplier of a Non-Embedded Customer.

CUSC EXHIBIT F – The Connection and Use of System Code Use of System Application – Suppliers, Interconnector Users and Interconnector Error Administrator

The proposed Legal text to modify the CUSC is detailed below deleting the coloured struck through text and inserting the coloured underlined text.

| 5 | If <b>Applicant</b> is an agent, please give name(s) and address(es) of person(s) for whom th <b>Applicant</b> is acting: | ıe |
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Please study the notes before completing and signing this application form

#### B DATA REQUIREMENTS

Please provide the **Data** required under Paragraph [6.17] of the **CUSC** as appropriate upon which our terms of **Offer** of use of system will be based.

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#### ANNEX 2 - AMENDMENT PROPOSAL FORM

# **CUSC Amendment Proposal Form**

**CAP:129** 

Title of Amendment Proposal:

Removal of CUSC 6.17 and section B from Exhibit F

Description of the Proposed Amendment (mandatory by proposer):

It is proposed to remove CUSC 6.17 and Section B from Exhibit F of the CUSC for Use of System Applications (Suppliers or Interconnector Users), as the provisions are no longer required, consequently this causes confusion for new applicants.

Description of Issue or Defect that Proposed Amendment seeks to Address (*mandatory by proposer*):

CUSC 6.17 requests data under the Grid Code from Users from the Transfer Date and Section B within Exhibit F requests Data under Paragraph 6.17. However this was only relevant to Users who were parties to the MCUSA at the Transfer Date of March 1990 and is therefore not relevant to new applicants.

Consequently, this is causing confusion when new applicants apply to National Grid via the form within Exhibit F which creates delays in the application process. We believe it would be beneficial to remove the redundant provisions from the CUSC.

**Impact on the CUSC** (this should be given where possible):

The CUSC will require the deletion of 6.17 and the deletion of Section B of Exhibit F. The proposed Legal text to modify the CUSC is detailed below by deleting the coloured struck through text.

#### 6.17 PROVISION OF DATA Not used

The majority of the data required under the **Grid Code** has been supplied by the **User** prior to the **Transfer Date**. However, in respect of the following data required under the **Planning Code** of the **Grid Code** it is agreed that each **User** who was a party to the **MCUSA** at the **Transfer Date** need only supply it under the **Grid Code** within one year of the **Transfer Date**, unless **The Company** requests it in writing before the expiry of that period, in which case the **User** from whom the data is requested must supply it within six weeks of receiving that request, except in the case of the data referred to in PCA 5.3.1(g) which need only be supplied within three months of receiving that request. The data to which this clause applies is that referred to in the following paragraphs of the **Planning Code:** 

PCA 2.3
PCA 4.3.7
PCA 4.3.9
PCA 5.2.1
PCA 5.2.2
PCA 5.3.1(a)

The Company shall also be able to request a User in writing at any time to supply to The Company any data under the Planning Code which it should have supplied to The Company prior to the Transfer Date but which it did not supply, and the User must supply that data upon receiving that request. This Paragraph 6.17 shall not apply to a User acting as a Supplier of a Non-Embedded Customer.

|                               | User acting as a Supplier of a Non-Embedded Customer.  |
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| 5                             | If <b>Applicant</b> is an agent, please give name(s) and address(es) of person(s) for whom the <b>Applicant</b> is acting:   |
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| Please                        | study the notes before completing and signing this application form  |
| B                             | DATA REQUIREMENTS  |
|                               | Please provide the <b>Data</b> required under Paragraph [6.17] of the <b>CUSC</b> as appropriate upon which our terms of <b>Offer</b> of use of system will be based.  |
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| •                             | t on Core Industry Documentation (this should be given where possible): nticipated   |
| given и                       | t on Computer Systems and Processes used by CUSC Parties (this should be where possible): Inticipated  |
| Details                       | s of any Related Modifications to Other Industry Codes (where known):  |
| N/A                           |  |
|                               | ation for Proposed Amendment with Reference to Applicable CUSC Objectives**  |
| (The eff<br>Transm<br>confusi | al Grid believes that this proposal will better facilitate CUSC Applicable Objective (a) ficient discharge by the licensee of the obligations imposed upon it under the Act and by the ission Licence). The removal of the redundant clauses within the CUSC will prevent ion when new applicants apply to National Grid for Use of System agreements under F, consequently removing inefficiencies and delays within the application process. |
|                               | Details of Proposer: Organisation's Name: National Grid  |

Date of Issue: 6<sup>th</sup> October 2006

Capacity in which the Amendment is being proposed: **CUSC Party** (i.e. CUSC Party, BSC Party or "energywatch") **Details of Proposer's** Representative: **Andrew Truswell** Name: **National Grid** 01926 656388 Organisation: Andrew.truswell@uk.ngrid.com Telephone Number: **Email Address: Details of Representative's** Alternate: **Emma Carr** Name: **National Grid** Organisation: 01926 655843 Telephone Number: Emma.j.carr@uk.ngrid.com Email Address: Attachments (Yes/No): If Yes, Title and No. of pages of each Attachment: No

#### Notes:

- 1. Those wishing to propose an Amendment to the CUSC should do so by filling in this "Amendment Proposal Form" that is based on the provisions contained in Section 8.15 of the CUSC. The form seeks to ascertain details about the Amendment Proposal so that the Amendments Panel can determine more clearly whether the proposal should be considered by a Working Group or go straight to wider National Grid Consultation.
- 2. The Panel Secretary will check that the form has been completed, in accordance with the requirements of the CUSC, prior to submitting it to the Panel. If the Panel Secretary accepts the Amendment Proposal form as complete, then he will write back to the Proposer informing him of the reference number for the Amendment Proposal and the date on which the Proposal will be considered by the Panel. If, in the opinion of the Panel Secretary, the form fails to provide the information required in the CUSC, then he may reject the Proposal. The Panel Secretary will inform the Proposer of the rejection and report the matter to the Panel at their next meeting. The Panel can reverse the Panel Secretary's decision and if this happens the Panel Secretary will inform the Proposer.

The completed form should be returned to:

Beverley Viney
Panel Secretary
Commercial Frameworks
National Grid
National Grid House
Warwick Technology Park
Gallows Hill
Warwick
CV34 6DA

Or via e-mail to: <a href="mailto:Beverley.Viney@uk.ngrid.com">Beverley.Viney@uk.ngrid.com</a>

(Participants submitting this form by email will need to send a statement to the effect that the proposer acknowledges that on acceptance of the proposal for consideration by the Amendments Panel, a proposer which is not a CUSC

Party shall grant a licence in accordance with Paragraph 8.15.7 of the CUSC. A Proposer that is a CUSC Party shall be deemed to have granted this Licence).

3. Applicable CUSC Objectives\*\* - These are defined within the National Grid Company Transmission Licence under Section C7F, paragraph 15. Reference should be made to this section when considering a proposed amendment.

## ANNEX 3 -

Date of Issue: 6<sup>th</sup> October 2006