## **Draft CUSC Modification Report**

At what stage is this document in the process?

# CMP321:

Housekeeping Modification to clarify the definition of Affiliate as a result of CMP285.

01 Draft CUSC Modification Report

02 Approved CUSC
Modification Fast
Track Report

**Purpose of Modification:** This Modification seeks to clarify the definition of 'Affiliate' within Section 11 of the CUSC as a result of CMP285 implementation.

#### The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:



subject to fast track self-governance

This modification was raised **12 September 2019** and will be presented by the Proposer to the Panel on **27 September 2019**. The Panel will consider the Proposer's recommendation and determine the appropriate route.



High Impact: None identified



Medium Impact: None identified



**Low Impact**: CUSC Parties and CUSC Panel

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## Timetable

The Code Administrator recommends the following timetable:		
Draft Fast Track Self- Governance Report issued to the CUSC Panel	19 September 2019	
Draft Fast Track Self-Governance Report presented to Panel	27 September 2019	
Modification Panel decision	27 September 2019	
Appeals Window closes (15 Working Days)	25 October 2019	
Decision implemented in CUSC	8 November 2019	

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# Proposer Details Details of Proposer: Ren Walker

(Organisation Name)			
Capacity in which the CUSC Modification Proposal is being proposed:	National Grid Electricity System Operator		
(i.e. CUSC Party, BSC Party or "National Consumer Council")			
Details of Proposer's Representative:			
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Details of Representative's Alternate:			
Name:			
Organisation:			
Telephone Number:			
Email Address:			
Attachments (Yes/No): No			
If Yes, Title and No. of pages of each Attachment:			

Impact on Core Industry Documentation					
BSC Grid Code					
STC Other					

This Modification Proposal has no impact on core Industry documentation.

## 1 Summary

#### **Defect**

The Authority, when making its decision to approve the implementation of CMP285 'CUSC Governance Reform – Levelling the Playing Field', WACM1 – Grouping votes, alternates, and transparency proposals, noted that the definition of Affiliate in Section 11 (Interpretations and Definitions) of the CUSC needs to be modified to make it clear that it applies to Users for the purposes of the definition of Voting Group, as referred to in Annex 8A.

#### What

CMP285 'CUSC Governance Reform – Levelling the Playing Field' was raised to reform CUSC governance to enhance the independence and diversity of Panel members and ensure wider engagement from CUSC signatories. On the 4 July 2019, the Authority directed that CMP285 'CUSC Governance Reform – Levelling the Playing Field', WACM1 – Grouping votes, alternates, and transparency proposals, should be implemented on 5 July 2019 but noted that the definition of Affiliate needed clarifying using a Fast- Track Self-Governance Modification.

## Why

Ofgem, in their CMP285 decision letter, directed that a Fast-Track Self-Governance Modification is raised to clarify the definition of Affiliate in Section 11 of the CUSC. The CMP285 decision letter can be found in Annex 1 of this document and via the following link:

https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc/modifications/cusc-governance-reform-leveling-playing

#### How

It is proposed that a Fast Track Self-Governance Modification is raised to amend the definition of Affiliate in Section 11 'Interpretations and Definitions' of the CUSC.

#### 2 Governance

#### **Justification for Fast Track Self-Governance**

The Proposer recommends that this Modification follows the Fast Track Self-Governance procedure as directed by the Authority in their decision letter as the changes meet the required criteria as the Modification is required as a result of factual change, including but not limited to:

iv) Updating out of date references to other documents or paragraphs.

The Self- Governance criteria is met as the modification is unlikely to discriminate between different classes of CUSC Parties and is unlikely to have a material effect on:

i) Existing or future electricity customers;

- ii) Competition in the generation, distribution, or supply of electricity or any commercial activities connected with the generation, distribution or supply of electricity,
- iii) The operation of the National Electricity Transmission System
- iv) Matters relating to sustainable development, safety or security of supply, or the management of market or network emergencies
- v) The CUSC's governance procedures or the CUSC's modification procedures For information, Fast Track Self- Governance Guidance
  - Rectify internal inconsistences
  - Remove outdated (or redundant) information;
  - Correct typographical errors in the CUSC; or
  - Further development / detail existing processes or code arrangements (without introducing new requirements upon code parties which significantly impact business practices or systems).

#### **Requested Next Steps**

This modification should:

be subject to Fast Track self-governance

## 3 Why Change?

CMP321 will correctly reflect the changes required under CMP285 decision letter to Section 11 'Interpretations and Definitions' of the CUSC.

## 4 Code Specific Matters

#### **Technical Skillsets**

Not required.

#### **Reference Documents**

Ofgem decision letter on CMP285 'Levelling the Playing Field – CUSC Governance Reform' <a href="https://www.nationalgrideso.com/document/147216/download">https://www.nationalgrideso.com/document/147216/download</a>

#### 5 Solution

It is proposed that the definition of Affiliate in Section 11 of the CUSC is modified as directed in the CMP285 decision letter.

## **6 Impacts & Other Considerations**

## Does this modification impact a Significant Code Review (SCR) or other significant industry change projects, if so, how?

This Modification has no impact on the Significant Code Review (SCR) or other significant industry change projects.

## **Consumer Impacts**

This Modification has no material impact on consumers.

## 7 Relevant Objectives

Impact of the modificat	ion on the Applicable C	CUSC Objectives (Standard):
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Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(a) The efficient discharge by the Licensee of the obligations imposed on it by the Act and the Transmission Licence;	None
(b) Facilitating effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity, and (so far as consistent therewith) facilitating such competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity;	None
(c) Compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency *; and	None
(d) Promoting efficiency in the implementation and administration of the CUSC arrangements.	Positive

<sup>\*</sup>Objective (c) refers specifically to European Regulation 2009/714/EC. Reference to the Agency is to the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER).

The Proposer believes that this change will better facilitate relevant objective (d).

### 8 Implementation

. It is proposed that the CMP321 Fast Track Self- Governance Proposal is implemented 10 Working days after the appeals window closes, providing no objections have been raised.

The proposed implementation date is 8 November 2019.

## 9 Legal Text

Section 11 - Interpretations and Definitions

"Affiliate"

in relation to **The Company** (and in relation to Paragraphs 3.6.9.8, 6.14, 8A.3.1.2 and 8A.4.2.2, any **User**) means any holding company or subsidiary of **The Company** (or the **User** as the case may be) or any subsidiary of a holding company of **The Company** (or the **User** as the case may be), in each case within the meaning of sections 736, 736A and 736B of the Companies Act 1985 as substituted by section 144 of the Companies Act 1989;

#### 10 Recommendations

## **Proposer's Recommendation to Panel**

Panel is asked to:

- Agree that Fast Track Self- Governance procedures should apply; and
- Agree that this Fast Track Proposal should be implemented.

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