CUSC Working Groups Attendance

Summary

This paper highlights a current issue with voting at Working Group and provides a proposal for the Amendment Panel to consider and approve.

Background

Recently there have been concerns with Working Group attendance and voting, therefore NGET has undertaken a review of the CUSC Working Group Attendance arrangements. Comparisons were undertaken with the Elexon and the Uniform Network Code (UNC) and their Working/Modification Group arrangements.

For example the BSC Panel do not formally require BSC modification Group members to attend a minimum number of meetings but as a working practice they usually require that members attend a minimum of 2 meetings. Non attendance is usually at the discretion of the Modification Group Chairman. In addition attendance is recorded for each meeting.

Currently CUSC 8.17 governs Working Groups arrangements and the CUSC Amendment Panel agreed Generic Terms of Reference on 20th August 2004. However, neither the CUSC nor the Terms of Reference require minimum attendance to be able to vote at a Working Group.

To address this issue there are two possible options:

- 1. Amend the CUSC 8.17.
- 2. Amend the generic Terms of Reference.

Due to the current high workload it is proposed that the Generic Terms of Reference for CUSC Working Groups are amended. In summary it is proposed to introduce two new paragraphs (10 and 11) to require a minimum attendance to be eligible to vote at the group see attached document.

Panel Decision

The CUSC Amendment Panel is requested to agree the level of required attendance and approve the revised Generic Terms of Reference.