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Meeting Name: Special CUSC Amendments Panel Meeting

Meeting No: 112

Date of Meeting: 09 July 2010

Venue: National Grid, National Grid House, Warwick

All presentations given at this Amendments Panel meeting can be found in the Amendments Panel area on the National Grid website¹

This note sets out the headlines and key decisions of the most recent meeting of the CUSC Amendments Panel under the CUSC constitution. Full minutes of the meeting will be produced and approved at the next meeting of the Panel and will then be published on the website.

1) Implementation of Code Governance Review update

An overview was given on the timescales for implementing the Amendment Proposals with the first Working Group meeting proposed for 14 July and the aim to implement by the end of December 2010 in line with National Grid's licence obligation.

2) New Amendment Proposals

CAP183 – Code Governance Review: Significant Code Review (SCR) was raised by National Grid. The proposal aims to update the CUSC in line with the Transmission Licence modifications by being able to facilitate significant code changes which the Authority deems to be necessary. The Panel AGREED that the proposal should go to a Working Group and submit the final report at the October 2010 Panel.

CAP184 – **Code Governance Review: Self-governance** was raised by National Grid. The proposal aims to introduce a new, 'self governance' route within the CUSC which should expedite the process of implementing Amendment Proposals which are deemed under the Self-governance category. The Panel AGREED that the proposal should go to a Working Group and submit the final report at the October 2010 Panel.

CAP185 – Code Governance Review: Role of Code Administrator and Code Administration Code of Practice was raised by National Grid. This proposal aims to establish best practice for code administration and to create the role of a Code Administrator within the CUSC and reflect its role as 'Critical Friend'. The Panel AGREED that the proposal should go to a Working Group and submit the final report at the October 2010 Panel.

CAP186 – Code Governance Review: Send Back Process was raised by National Grid. This proposal aims to introduce a process within the CUSC which will allow the Authority to send back an Amendment Report to the Amendments Panel in circumstances where the Authority considers that it is unable to form a decision based on the content of the report. The Panel AGREED that the proposal should go to Company Consultation and submit the final report at the August 2010 Panel.

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¹ http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/systemcode/Panel/

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CAP187 – Code Governance Review: Environmental Assessment and the Relevant Objectives was raised by National Grid. This proposal aims to introduce a requirement within the CUSC for the Amendments Panel to carry out an assessment of the impact of an Amendment Proposal on greenhouse gas emissions, where it is considered that there will be a material impact. The Panel AGREED that the proposal should go to Company Consultation and submit the final report at the August 2010 Panel.

CAP188 – Code Governance Review: Governance of Charging Methodologies was raised by National Grid. The proposal aims to place the Charging Methodologies into the CUSC which will allow changes to be made to the methodologies subject to the standard CUSC Amendments process. The Panel AGREED that the proposal should go to a Working Group and submit the final report at the October 2010 Panel.

3) A.O.B

Ofgem presented on the topic of Significant Code Reviews to allow the Amendments Panel to provide any input to the scope of any future SCRs.

4) Next Meeting

The next scheduled CUSC Amendments Panel meeting is 30 July 2010 at National Grid House, Warwick.