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Meeting Name: CUSC Amendments Panel Meeting

Meeting No: 117

Date of Meeting: 26 November 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) Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the CUSC Amendments Panel Meeting held on 29 October 2010 were APPROVED and will be published on the Company website shortly.

2) New Amendment Proposals

No new Amendment Proposals were raised at this Panel meeting

3) Industry Code Updates

CAP181 - Consequential changes related to Grid Code Amendment A/10 (Compliance). The Panel noted that there would be a second consultation for the Grid Code Amendment A/10 and National Grid is minded to withdraw CAP181 as it may not be required.

CAP182 - Provision of Frequency Response from DC converters. The Panel noted the proposer had withdrawn its support for CAP182 due to further clarity being provided about the European Third Package. A CUSC Party has 5 business days from the publication of this report to provide support for CAP182. The withdrawal letter can be found on the following link:

http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/systemcode/amendments/currentamendmentproposals/

CAP189 - Standard Gas Insulated Switchgear Ownership Boundaries. An update was provided to the Panel that the legal text was currently being drafted for CAP189 which would be circulated to the Working Group for discussion.

CAP190 - Two-Thirds Majority Voting requirement for CUSC Panel recommendations on Amendments arising from Licence obligations, Authority requests or obligations. An update was provided to the Panel that National Grid had recently received draft advice on CAP190 from an appointed QC which would be discussed at the next Working Group meeting. A copy of the revised timetable within the Terms of Reference was also AGREED at the Panel.

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

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4) Authority Decisions

The Amendments Panel noted that the following Amendment Proposal was REJECTED by the Authority:

CAP170: System to generator operational intertripping scheme

5) CUSC Amendments Panel Vote

CAP179 – Prevention of "Timing Out" of Authority decisions on Amendment Proposals. The Panel AGREED with an 8 to 1 majority that CAP179 should not be implemented

6) Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on 17 December 2010 at National Grid House, Warwick.