

CAP189 Workgroup Report







CUSC Modifications Panel, 27th May 2011

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CAP189: Standard Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) Ownership Boundaries

- Raised by National Grid Electricity Transmission on 30th July 2010
- Based on recommendation of joint CUSC/Grid Code
 GIS Working Group
- Workgroup held three meetings between September 2010 and April 2011

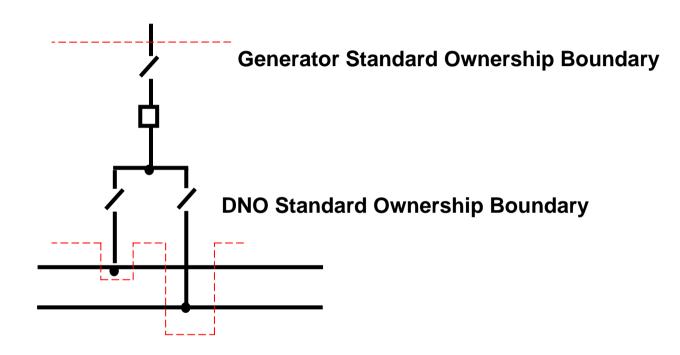


CAP189 Defect

- CAP189 addresses defects:
 - lack of clarity of non-standard GIS ownership boundaries
 - changes to GIS designs
 - limited competition in GIS market



CAP189 Solution



- CAP189 proposes two standard ownership boundaries:
 - "Generator" and "DNO" boundaries
 - Users retain option of a non-standard boundary



CAP189 Standard boundaries

- Generator standard boundary
 - TO constructs and owns generator bay
 - User retains operation of bay circuit breaker
 - No interruption payments made for loss of access
- "DNO" standard boundary
 - Two construction options
 - User constructs GIS bay (or contracts with 3rd party)
 - Majority GIS asset owner constructs all GIS assets



Workgroup Consultation

- 4 responses received
 - Unanimous support for CAP189
 - All supported use of diagrams within CUSC & BCA
 - All supported proposed implementation date
 - No Workgroup Alternative CUSC Modifications
 - Further minor comments on legal text
 - Comments on existing GIS agreements



Workgroup Conclusions

- Workgroup specific terms of reference:
 - Agreed draft legal text in Workgroup report
 - No Workgroup Alternative CMPs
 - CAP189 should not be applied to existing GIS assets on mandatory basis
- CAP189 better facilitates both Applicable CUSC Objectives
- Implementation 10 Working Days after Authority Decision



Workgroup Vote

- 5 Workgroup members voted to implement CAP189
- Unanimous against Applicable CUSC Objective (a):
 - Removal of site specific construction and operational procedures and contractual arrangements at GIS substations would be more efficient
 - Having a single party complete the tender would be more efficient
- Majority (4/5) against objective (b):
 - Further facilitate competition in the construction, operation and maintenance of User owned GIS assets and therefore facilitates Transmission Owners, Generators, DNOs and directly connected users connecting at a GIS substation.
 - Allowing movement of assets into a more regulated area prevents potential monopoly treatment occurring



CAP189 conclusions

- Panel invited to:
 - AGREE Workgroup has completed terms of reference
 - ACCEPT Workgroup Report
 - AGREE progress CAP189 to Code Administrator consultation



Timetable

6 th June 2011	Publish Code Administrator consultation
27 th June 2011	Code Administrator consultation closes
29 th June 2011	Circulate draft Modification Report for industry comment
6 th July 2011	Deadline for comments
21st July 2011	Publish updated draft Modification Report with Panel Papers
29th July 2011	Modifications Panel Vote