

# STC Amendment Proposal Form

CA018

**1. Title of Amendment Proposal**

Removal of the Restriction on Proposing Alternative Amendments

**2. Description of the Proposed Amendment** *(mandatory field)*

This Amendment Proposal seeks to remove from the STC the restriction that each Party may only propose one Alternative Amendment.

**3. Description of Issue or Defect that Proposed Amendment seeks to Address** *(mandatory field)*

Paragraph 7.2.2.8 of Section B of the STC currently limits Parties to proposing only one Alternative Amendment. This has proved to be overly restrictive, particularly when developing STC amendments to “back-off” CUSC amendment proposals, which may contain a greater number of Alternatives.

The most pertinent example of this is CUSC amendment proposal CAP097 which includes eight Alternatives to the Original Proposal. In order to concurrently present a consequential STC amendment to the Authority, it was necessary for the proposer to propose two STC amendment proposals (CA016 and CA017), with an Alternative Amendment to each. The requirement to adopt this approach compromised the facilitation of the STC Committee’s duty under paragraph 7.2.9 of Section B of the STC to co-ordinate changes across the codes, and had the following specific disadvantages:

- Proposing and developing multiple wholly separate amendment proposals is inefficient
- Proposing and developing multiple amendments proposals is less transparent than a number of Alternatives to a single proposal because the material is not all in one place
- It would technically be possible for multiple proposals to be approved, where as the aim is to “back-off” a single CUSC amendment proposal

Additionally, where the proposer of a proposal also proposes an Alternative Amendment, other Parties are currently unable to propose Alternatives to both the Original Proposal and to the proposer’s Alternative Amendment.

CA018 therefore proposes to remove from the STC the restriction that each Party may only propose one Alternative Amendment. This would allow any future relevant CUSC amendment proposals to be “backed-off” in one STC amendment proposal, and would allow other Parties to propose Alternatives to both the Original Proposal and to any of the proposer’s Alternatives.

It is considered by the proposer of CA018 that any risk of spurious Alternative Amendments being proposed as a result of the approval and implementation of CA018 is significantly mitigated due to the small number of Parties to the STC.

**4. Impact on the STC** *(information should be given where possible)*

Changes to paragraph 7.2.2.8 of Section B of the STC would be required.

**5. Impact upon the STCPs**

None

**6. Impact on other frameworks e.g. CUSC, BSC** *(information should be given where possible)*

None

<p><b>7. <u>Impact on Core Industry Documentation</u></b> <i>(information should be given where possible)</i></p> <p>None</p>
<p><b>8. <u>Impact on Computer Systems and Processes used by STC Parties</u></b> <i>(information should be given where possible)</i></p> <p>None</p>
<p><b>9. <u>Details of any Related Modifications to Other Industry Codes</u></b> <i>(where known)</i></p> <p>None</p>
<p><b>10. <u>Justification for Proposed Amendment with Reference to Applicable STC Objectives</u></b> <i>(mandatory field)</i></p> <p>CA018 would better facilitate achievement of applicable STC objective (e). Allowing Parties to propose multiple Alternative Amendments would promote good industry practice, in that it would replicate the widely understood CUSC arrangements and better facilitate change co-ordination across the codes, and would promote efficiency in the administration of the STC, in that it would in many cases remove the need for multiple amendments to be proposed and developed.</p>

<p><b>Details of Proposer</b> Organisation's Name</p>	<p><b>National Grid Electricity Transmission plc</b></p>
<p><b>Capacity in which the Amendment is being proposed</b> (i.e. STC Party or other Party as designated by the Authority pursuant to STC section B7.2.2.1 (b))</p>	<p><b>STC Party</b></p>
<p><b>Details of Proposer's Representative</b> Name Organisation Telephone Number Email Address</p>	<p>Andrew Truswell National Grid Electricity Transmission plc 01926 656388 <a href="mailto:andrew.truswell@uk.ngrid.com">andrew.truswell@uk.ngrid.com</a></p>
<p><b>Details of Representative's Alternate</b> Name Organisation Telephone Number Email Address</p>	<p>Ben Graff National Grid Electricity Transmission plc 01926 656312 <a href="mailto:ben.graff@uk.grid.com">ben.graff@uk.grid.com</a></p>
<p><b>Attachments (Yes/No):</b> Yes If yes, title and number of pages of each attachment: Proposed Legal Text, 1 Page</p>	

**Notes:**

- Those wishing to propose an Amendment to the STC should do so by filling in this "Amendment Proposal Form" that is based on the provisions contained in Section 7.2 of the STC.
- The Committee Secretary will check that the form has been completed, in accordance with the requirements of the STC, prior to submitting it to the Committee. If the Committee Secretary accepts the Amendment Proposal form as complete, then she/he will write back to the Proposer informing them of the reference number for the Amendment Proposal and the date on which the Committee will consider the Proposal. If, in the opinion of the Committee Secretary, the form fails to provide the information required in the STC, then he/she may reject the Proposal. The Committee

Secretary will inform the Proposer of the rejection and report the matter to the Committee at their next meeting. The Committee can reverse the Committee Secretary's decision and if this happens the Committee Secretary will inform the Proposer.

The completed form should be returned to:

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STC Committee Secretary  
Commercial Frameworks  
National Grid Electricity Transmission plc  
NGT House  
Warwick Technology Park  
Gallows Hill  
Warwick, CV34 6DA

Or via e-mail to: [STCTeam@uk.ngrid.com](mailto:STCTeam@uk.ngrid.com)

## CA018 Proposed Legal Text

Change marked from current baseline:

7.2.2.8 Each Party, or any other person designated by the Authority under sub-paragraph 7.2.2.1(b), may propose one or more alternatives to a Proposed Amendment. Such alternative proposal(s) may be so submitted to the Committee Secretary at any time up until the point at which a Proposed Amendment is referred to the Assessment and Report Phase under sub-paragraphs 7.2.3.3 or 7.2.4.4 and shall be submitted in the same form as a proposal pursuant to sub-paragraph 7.2.2.2 and, upon compliance with which, such proposal shall be referred to as an **"Alternative Amendment"**. An Alternative Amendment may be withdrawn and supported in the same manner as a Proposed Amendment pursuant to sub-paragraphs 7.2.2.6 and 7.2.2.7. The Proposer of an Alternative Amendment shall be deemed to be a Proposer for the purposes of this paragraph 7.2.