

CUSC Amendment Proposal Form	CAP:167
<p>Title of Amendment Proposal:</p> <p>Definition of a threshold(s) associated with the request for a Statement of Works</p>	
<p>Description of the Proposed Amendment <i>(mandatory by proposer):</i></p> <p>It is proposed to amend the CUSC to provide definitive clarification in the assessment of whether a small embedded power station development (or the aggregate effect of multiple projects) has a significant impact on the GB transmission system.</p> <p>The proposal recommends that a CUSC working group is established to undertake the required analysis and decide on an appropriate MW threshold(s), which will provide transparent criteria of whether a DNO is required to request a Statement of Works from National Grid for small generation projects connecting to their system.</p>	
<p>Description of Issue or Defect that Proposed Amendment seeks to Address <i>(mandatory by proposer):</i></p> <p>Following the implementation of CAP097 in July 2006: "Revision to the Contractual requirements for Small and Medium Embedded Power Stations", Section 6.5 of the CUSC requires a compulsory request for a Statement of Works from National Grid by the relevant DNO in respect of proposed embedded medium sized generators (<100MW and =>50MW NGET). For proposed embedded small generators (<50MW NGET, <30MW SPT, <10MW SHETL) however, a request for a Statement of Works from National Grid by the relevant DNO, is required only where that DNO believes that the proposed small power station connection has a significant impact on the GB transmission system.</p> <p>National Grid does not consider that the DNO has access to the necessary information to accurately assess the impact which a small embedded development, or the aggregate effect of multiple developments, may have on the GB transmission system. In practice, due to the varying interpretations of the wide range of issues which need to be considered by the DNO, in certain circumstances it has not always been possible for National Grid and the DNO to agree when the development of a small embedded generator (or multiple generators) has a significant impact on the GB transmission system. This has created difficulties in transmission investment planning, accurate forecasting of demand levels and operational outage and fault level planning.</p>	
<p>Impact on the CUSC <i>(this should be given where possible):</i></p> <p>The impact on the CUSC would include but may not be limited to changes to Section 6.5 (General Provisions) and Section 11 (Interpretations and Definitions).</p>	
<p>Impact on Core Industry Documentation <i>(this should be given where possible):</i></p> <p>Potential impact on the DCODE and DCUSC.</p>	
<p>Impact on Computer Systems and Processes used by CUSC Parties <i>(this should be given where possible):</i></p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>Details of any Related Modifications to Other Industry Codes <i>(where known):</i></p> <p>Potential impact on embedded generator / DNO Bilateral Agreements.</p>	

Justification for Proposed Amendment with Reference to Applicable CUSC Objectives**

(mandatory by proposer):

The proposed amendment would better facilitate the achievement of Applicable CUSC Objective (a), the efficient discharge by the licensee of the obligations imposed upon it under the Act and by the licence, in that the proposal will increase the visibility of small embedded generation projects that have a significant impact on the transmission system and in turn will, improve the ability to plan transmission investment, forecast levels of demand, and plan operational outages.

The proposed amendment would also better facilitate the achievement of Applicable CUSC Objective (b), facilitating effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity, and (so far as consistent therewith) facilitating such competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity by providing a level playing field in the connection application process for generation wishing to connect to the distribution and transmission networks in terms of their impact on the transmission system, especially in areas of constrained capacity.

Details of Proposer: Organisation's Name:	National Grid
Capacity in which the Amendment is being proposed: (i.e. CUSC Party, BSC Party or "energywatch")	CUSC Party
Details of Proposer's Representative: Name: Organisation: Telephone Number: Email Address:	Craig Maloney National Grid 01926 655896 craig.maloney@uk.ngrid.com
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Attachments (Yes/No): No If Yes, Title and No. of pages of each Attachment:	

Notes:

1. Those wishing to propose an Amendment to the CUSC should do so by filling in this "Amendment Proposal Form" that is based on the provisions contained in Section 8.15 of the CUSC. The form seeks to ascertain details about the Amendment Proposal so that the Amendments Panel can determine more clearly whether the proposal should be considered by a Working Group or go straight to wider National Grid Consultation.
2. The Panel Secretary will check that the form has been completed, in accordance with the requirements of the CUSC, prior to submitting it to the Panel. If the Panel Secretary accepts the Amendment Proposal form as complete, then he will write back to the Proposer informing him of the reference number for the Amendment Proposal and the date on which the Proposal will be considered by the Panel. If, in the opinion of the Panel Secretary, the form fails to provide the information required in the CUSC, then he may reject the Proposal. The Panel Secretary will inform the Proposer of the rejection and report the matter to the Panel at their next meeting. The Panel can reverse the Panel Secretary's decision and if this happens the Panel Secretary will inform the Proposer.

The completed form should be returned to:

Beverley Viney

Panel Secretary
Commercial Frameworks
National Grid
National Grid House
Warwick Technology Park
Gallows Hill
Warwick
CV34 6DA

Or via e-mail to: Beverley.Viney@uk.ngrid.com

(Participants submitting this form by email will need to send a statement to the effect that the proposer acknowledges that on acceptance of the proposal for consideration by the Amendments Panel, a proposer which is not a CUSC Party shall grant a licence in accordance with Paragraph 8.15.7 of the CUSC. A Proposer that is a CUSC Party shall be deemed to have granted this Licence).

3. Applicable CUSC Objectives** - These are defined within the National Grid Electricity Transmission plc Licence under Section C7F, paragraph 15. Reference should be made to this section when considering a proposed amendment.