

# Headline Report

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Meeting Name: CUSC Amendments Panel

Meeting No: 106

Date of Meeting: 29 January 2010

Venue: National Grid, National Grid House, Warwick

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

[http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/systemcode/Panel/2010PanelMeetings/106\\_29Jan/](http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/systemcode/Panel/2010PanelMeetings/106_29Jan/)

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 Amendments Panel meeting held on 27 November 2009 were APPROVED by the Amendments Panel, and will be published on the Company Website shortly.

**2) New Amendment Proposals**

The Amendments Panel considered one new CUSC Amendment Proposal:

**CAP179 – Prevention of ‘Timing Out’ of Authority decisions on Amendment Proposals** was raised by National Grid. In addition to seeking to remove the potential for an Amendment Proposal decision to be "timed out", the proposal aims to formalise a process to address concerns over timely decision making and the ongoing validity of supporting analysis for a proposal where a sufficient period of time has elapsed between a final report being submitted and an Authority decision. The Panel AGREED that the proposal should go to Working Group and report back to the April 2010 Amendments Panel meeting.

**3) Authority Decisions**

The Amendments Panel noted that the Authority had APPROVED the following CUSC Amendment Proposals:

**CAP169 – Provision of Reactive Power from Power Park Modules, Large Power Stations and Embedded Power Stations**

This proposal amends various sections of the CUSC to accommodate the provision of Reactive Power from Power Park Modules, and introduces an appropriate Reactive Power MSA obligation for all Large Power Stations.

**Implementation date: 21 March 2010**

**CAP175 – Urgent Amendment Proposals**

This proposal alters the CUSC Urgent Amendment Proposal process by providing enhanced understanding, clarity and process specification through which a recommendation for urgency would be progressed on.

**Implementation date: 2 February 2010.**

**CAP176 – Correction of errors contained in the CUSC provisions for post implementation reviews for Urgent Amendment proposals**

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This proposal amends the process described in the CUSC through which a review will be conducted following implementation of an Urgent Amendment Proposal (8.21.1.9). This proposal will make it explicit how such a review will take place and tidy up the existing CUSC provisions which currently contain some errors

**Implementation date: 2 February 2010.**

The Amendments Panel noted that the Authority had REJECTED the following CUSC Amendment Proposals:

**CAP177 – Removal of CUSC Amendments Panel’s ability to raise Amendment Proposals**

The proposal altered section 8.15.1 of the CUSC in order to remove the ability for the CUSC Amendments Panel to raise Amendment Proposals, as currently provided for in certain circumstances laid out in the CUSC

The Authority decision letters for CAP169, CAP175, CAP176 and CAP177 can be found at:

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

**4) Industry Codes Update**

**CAP170 – Category 5 System to Generator Operational Intertripping Scheme**

This proposal seeks to introduce a new category 5 System to Generator Intertripping Scheme to cover intertrips capable of being armed with respect to a derogated non-compliant transmission boundary, which are not captured by existing 1 to 4 categories. The Amendments Panel noted that Ofgem has issued a third Impact Assessment on CAP170, focussing on competition issues. The consultation closes on 23 February 2010.

**5) Next Meeting**

The next scheduled CUSC Amendments Panel meeting is 26 February 2010 at National Grid House, Warwick.