

CUSC MODIFICATIONS PANEL
Governance Standing Group – October 2012
Terms of Reference

Introduction

1. This paper outlines the working arrangements and Terms of Reference for the Governance Standing Group (GSG).

Governance

2. The GSG is established as a Standing Group under the CUSC Modifications Panel and shall act in accordance with Section 8.21 of the CUSC. The GSG shall have regard for Core Industry Documents and other key Industry documentation.
3. As agreed by the CUSC Modifications Panel on 24th February 2012 the quorum for the GSG is reduced to four members.

Membership

4. The GSG shall comprise a suitable and appropriate cross section of experience and expertise from across the industry:

Role	Name	Representing
Chairman	Garth Graham	Scottish & Southern Electricity
Technical Secretary	Bali Virk	National Grid Electricity Transmission plc
National Grid representative	Alex Thomason	National Grid Electricity Transmission plc
Member	Barbara Vest	Association of Electricity Producers
Member	Robert Longden	Mainstream Renewable Power
Member	Esther Sutton	E.ON
Member	Stuart Cotten	Drax Power
Member	Steven Eyre	EDF Energy
Observer	Kathryn Coffin-TBC	ELEXON
Authority Representative	Abid Sheikh	Ofgem

Meeting Administration

5. The frequency of GSG meetings shall be defined as necessary by the GSG chair to meet the scope, objectives and time-scales as defined by the CUSC Modifications Panel.
6. National Grid will provide technical secretary resource to the GSG and handle administrative arrangements such as venue, agenda and minutes etc.
7. The GSG will have a dedicated page under the CUSC section of the National Grid UK website. This will enable GSG information such as minutes and presentations etc to be available to a wider audience.

Scope and Objectives

8. The GSG is tasked to prepare a report for the CUSC Modifications Panel regarding the following areas:
 - Review of current practices to ensure good industry practice, linked with supporting Ofgem's development of Code of Practice in the Code Administrators Working Group. **Status: Review after Ofgem CACOP meeting.**
 - Review the process of CUSC and charging methodology interaction in light of the Transmission Access amendments and implementation of CAP188. **Status: Review 2013 after Project TransmiT concludes.**
 - Consider the issues associated with the applicability and relevance of analysis undertaken during the process before a decision is made by the Authority. **Status: Wait for outcome of discussion at Code Administration Code of Practice Workgroup.**
 - Consider process and consistency for CUSC Panel sub-groups to report back to CUSC Panel with recommendations/conclusions. **Agenda item for October 2012.**
 - **Discuss the prioritisation criteria for progressing CUSC Modifications**
9. It should be noted that, in accordance with Section 8 of the CUSC, the GSG as a Standing Group under the CUSC Modifications Panel cannot itself propose an CUSC Modification to the CUSC.
10. In considering the above issues, the GSG should be cognisant of any related developments that may progress in any other Industry forums.