

GSG 29/10/09

Initial Written Assessments and WG Membership



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Initial Written Assessment

- ◆ 2nd September Action 122
 - ◆ NGET to start considering the process for IWA detailing the time frames and what implications and changes for the CUSC would be required

BSC IWA Provisions

- ◆ IWA are already used under the BSC
- ◆ BSC provisions include:
 - ◆ Statement that the IWA would be prepared by the BSCCo outlining the implications of each Modification Proposal
 - ◆ As soon as reasonably practicable after such Amendment Proposal is made
 - ◆ Endeavouring to complete such assessment such that it can be reviewed by the Panel at the Panel meeting at which such Modification Proposal is first to be considered
 - ◆ (if available) a copy will be circulated with the Amendment Proposal

Changes to CUSC Provisions?

◆ 8.15.6

- ◆ *“Where Amendment Proposal received more than 5 Business Days prior to the next Amendments Panel meeting, the Panel Secretary shall place the Amendment Proposal on the agenda for the next Amendments Panel meeting and otherwise shall place it on the agenda for the next succeeding Amendments Panel meeting”*
- ◆ Should this be amended to “10 Business Days” to allow 5 Business Days for the Panel Secretary to prepare the IWA before Paper’s day?
- ◆ Or if necessary would the IWA be circulated as a late paper?
- ◆ Additional clauses in line with BSC provisions?

Possible format for IWA

- ◆ As with the IWA prepared by ELEXON, the CUSC IWA could contain information on:
 - ◆ Notice of key parties of impact
 - ◆ Plain English summary of the issue under consideration
 - ◆ Plain English summary of the proposed amendment
 - ◆ Clarification of key terms
 - ◆ Proposal for terms of reference for assessment
 - ◆ Recommended assessment period
 - ◆ Recommended programme of assessment
 - ◆ Likely impacts on CUSC
 - ◆ Likely impacts on other Codes/industry documents
- ◆ *Some of which will be included in the initial Amendment Proposal*

Working/Standing Group Membership

- ◆ Tasked by the Panel to review provisions regarding Working Group membership
- ◆ Main issue debated was whether a Working Group member should have to be nominated by a CUSC Party

Working/Standing Group Membership

- ◆ 8.17.3/8.18.1
 - ◆ Working Group shall comprise at least 5 persons
 - ◆ Who may be Panel Members
 - ◆ Selected by the Amendments Panel from those nominated by CUSC Parties for their expertise and/or experience
 - ◆ The Amendments Panel shall ensure, as far as possible, that an appropriate cross-section of representation, experience and expertise is represented
 - ◆ There shall always be at least one member from The Company
 - ◆ If likely to impact the STC the Panel may invite the STC committee to appoint a representative
 - ◆ A representative of the Authority may attend as an observer and may speak
- ◆ 8.17.5/8.18.4
 - ◆ The Panel may add further members or the chairman may add or vary members

BSC Provisions – Modification Group

- ◆ Section F, 2.4.4
 - ◆ at least 5 members
 - ◆ selected by the Panel for their relevant experience and/or expertise
- ◆ Section F, 2.4.5
 - ◆ In addition to the members appointed by the Panel pursuant to paragraph 2.4.4:
 - ◆ (a) the Proposer shall be entitled to appoint one member of the Modification Group which is to consider the Proposer's Modification Proposal
 - ◆ (b) the Transmission Company shall be entitled to appoint one member of any Modification Group (unless the Transmission Company is the Proposer, in which case paragraph (a) applies); and
 - ◆ (c) unless the Panel otherwise determines, the Panel shall appoint at least one additional member of each Modification Group who shall be an employee of BSCCo, and BSCCo shall make appropriately qualified BSCCo staff available for this purpose.
- ◆ Section F, 2.4.17
 - ◆ The Modification Secretary shall notify the Authority in advance of all Modification Group meetings and a representative of the Authority may attend and speak at any such meeting (provided that any observations such representative may make shall not be taken to bind the Authority in any way in relation to the Modification Proposal being discussed).

Working Group Chair

- ◆ 8.17.4/8.18.3
 - ◆ The Company in consultation with the Amendment Panel shall appoint the chairman of the Working Group who shall act impartially and as an independent chairman

Working Group Chair BSC Provisions

- ◆ Section F, 2.4.7
 - ◆ The Panel shall appoint one of the members of a Modification Group to act as chairman of the Modification Group, and the Panel may change the chairman of a Modification Group from time to time as it sees fit.