

## Working Group Terms of Reference and Membership

### TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR CAP126 WORKING GROUP

#### RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Working Group is responsible for assisting the CUSC Amendments Panel in the evaluation of CUSC Amendment Proposal CAP126 tabled by National Grid at the Amendments Panel meeting on 29 September 2006.
2. The proposal must be evaluated to consider whether it better facilitates achievement of the applicable CUSC objectives. These can be summarised as follows:
  - (a) the efficient discharge by the Licensee of the obligations imposed on it by the Act and the Transmission Licence; and
  - (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.
3. It should be noted that additional provisions apply where it is proposed to modify the CUSC amendment provisions, and generally reference should be made to the Transmission Licence for the full definition of the term.

#### SCOPE OF WORK

4. The Working Group must consider the issues raised by the Amendment Proposal and consider if the proposal identified better facilitates achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives.
5. In addition to the overriding requirement of paragraph 4, the Working Group shall consider and report on the following specific issues:
  - **Clarification of Independent Security as:**
    - **issued from anyone other than a Parent Company**
    - **Parent Company Guarantees issued only to subsidiaries; therefore Parent Companies can only issue Independent Security to non subsidiaries**
    - **only use as a collateral tool**
  - **Clarification of Qualifying Guarantee as:**
    - **from a Parent Company only**
    - **use as an allowance rather than collateral**
    - **aggregation of PCG allowance to maximum allowance.**
6. The Working Group is responsible for the formulation and evaluation of any Working Group Alternative Amendments (WGAAs) arising from Group discussions which would, as compared with the Amendment Proposal, better

facilitate achieving the applicable CUSC objectives in relation to the issue or defect identified.

7. The Working Group should become conversant with the definition of Working Group Alternative Amendments which appears in Section 11 (Interpretation and Definitions) of the CUSC. The definition entitles the Group and/or an individual Member of the Working Group to put forward a Working Group Alternative Amendment if the Member(s) genuinely believes the Alternative would better facilitate the achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives. The extent of the support for the Amendment Proposal or any Working Group Alternative Amendment arising from the Working Group's discussions should be clearly described in the final Working Group Report to the CUSC Amendments Panel.
8. The Working Group is to submit their final report to the CUSC Panel Secretary on 16 November 2006 for circulation to Panel Members. The conclusions will be presented to the CUSC Panel meeting on 24 November 2006.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

9. It is recommended that the Working Group has the following members:

Chair	Hedd Roberts
National Grid	Paul Murphy
	Wayne Mullins
	Bec Thornton
Industry Representatives	Andrew Colley
	Mark De Souza
	Keith Munday
	Paul Mott
	Ben Sheehy
	Dave Wilkerson
	Carl Wilkes
Authority Representative	Jenny Boothe
	Dipen Gadhia
Technical Secretary	Beverley Viney

[NB: Working Group must comprise at least 5 Members (who may be Panel Members) and will be selected by the Panel with regard to WG List held by the Secretary]

10. The membership can be amended from time to time by the CUSC Amendments Panel.

## **RELATIONSHIP WITH AMENDMENTS PANEL**

11. The Working Group shall seek the views of the Amendments Panel before taking on any significant amount of work. In this event the Working Group Chairman should contact the CUSC Panel Secretary.
12. Where the Working Group requires instruction, clarification or guidance from the Amendments Panel, particularly in relation to their Scope of Work, the Working Group Chairman should contact the CUSC Panel Secretary.

## **MEETINGS**

13. The Working Group shall, unless determined otherwise by the Amendments Panel, develop and adopt its own internal working procedures and provide a copy to the Panel Secretary for each of its Amendment Proposals.

## **REPORTING**

14. The Working Group Chairman shall prepare a final report to the November 2006 Amendments Panel responding to the matter set out in the Terms of Reference.
15. A draft Working Group Report must be circulated to Working Group members with not less than five business days given for comments.
16. Any unresolved comments within the Working Group must be reflected in the final Working Group Report.
17. The Chairman (or another member nominated by him) will present the Working Group report to the Amendments Panel as required.