CUSC Amendment Proposal Form

CAP:123

Title of Amendment Proposal:

Quorum at Amendments Panel meetings held via teleconference

Description of the Proposed Amendment (mandatory by proposer):

It is proposed to change CUSC 8.9.2 to ensure the available conference provisions within CUSC 8.7.8 can be fully utilised and that meetings held via this provision are capable of being a quorate meeting of the Amendments Panel.

Description of Issue or Defect that Proposed Amendment seeks to Address (mandatory by proposer):

CUSC 8.9 details the quorum requirements for all Amendments Panel meetings. CUSC 8.9.2 requires a quorum of 6 Panel Member votes "in person" (not persons) and one of those votes shall be National Grid's.

This means all meetings need to be "in person" to be quorate. Therefore without a reference to CUSC 8.7.8 any Panel meetings not held "in person" i.e. via teleconference is incapable of being quorate in accordance with 8.9.2

This Amendment proposes to include a reference to CUSC 8.7.8 within the Quorum provisions to ensure any Amendments Panel meetings in the future held via conference are capable of being a quorate meeting.

Impact on the CUSC (this should be given where possible):

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Change to CUSC 8.9.2 as detailed below by inserting the coloured and underlined text.

Subject to Paragraph 8.9.3, a quorum shall be 6 **Panel Members** who have a vote present (Subject to 8.7.8) in person or by their alternates, of whom at least one shall be appointed by **The Company**.

Impact on Core Industry Documentation (this should be given where possible):

None

Impact on Computer Systems and Processes used by CUSC Parties (this should be given where possible):

N/A

Details of any Related Modifications to Other Industry Codes (where known):

N/A

Justification for Proposed Amendment with Reference to Applicable CUSC Objectives** (mandatory by proposer):

National Grid believes that by amending the quorum provisions to ensure quorate meetings can be held via conference (if required) would better achieve the applicable CUSC objective (a) (The efficient discharge by the licensee of the obligations imposed upon it under the Act and by the Transmission Licence) by providing the Amendments Panel the flexibility to arrange meetings without the need to travel to a specified place thus ensuring time and resources are utilised in a economic and efficient manner also urgent meetings can be held as soon as possible.

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:	Emma Carr National Grid 01926 655843 Emma.j.carr@uk.ngrid.com
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Attachments (Yes/No): If Yes, Title and No. of pages of each Attachment: No	

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 Company Transmission Licence under Section C7F, paragraph 15. Reference should be made to this section when considering a proposed amendment.