

CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

CUSC Amendment Proposal CAP106 Amendment to Revise Paragraph 4.5.1 (Indexation – Application) of the CUSC

The purpose of this document is to consult on Amendment Proposal CAP106 with CUSC Parties and other interested Industry members

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1.0 SUMMARY

- 1.1 CAP106 corrects inconsistencies in Paragraph 4.5.1 of the CUSC created by an interaction in the legal texts and subsequent implementation of CAP076 before CAP047. CAP106 clarifies that the Indexation provisions in Paragraph 4.5.1 are mandatory for System to Generator Intertripping Agreements but are optional (to be agreed between the User and National Grid) for any other Balancing Services Agreements.
- 1.2 CAP106 was proposed by National Grid and submitted to the CUSC Amendments Panel for consideration at their meeting on 28th October 2005 The Amendments Panel determined that the issue was appropriate to proceed to wider industry consultation by National Grid.
- 1.3 This document initiates this wider consultation exercise and invites views on CUSC Amendment Proposal CAP106. The consultation closing date is 15th November.

2.0 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 This is a consultation document issued by National Grid under the rules and procedures specified in the Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC) as designated by the Secretary of State.
- 2.2 Further to the submission of Amendment Proposal CAP106 this document seeks views from industry members relating to the Amendment Proposal.
- 2.3 Representations received in response to this consultation document will be included in National Grid's Amendment Report that will be furnished to the Authority for their decision.
- 2.4 This consultation document has been prepared in accordance with the terms of the CUSC. An electronic copy can be found on the National Grid website, at http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/indinfo/cusc, and the Amendment Proposal form.

3.0 THE AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

- 3.1 On 28th September 2004 the Authority approved CAP047 Alternative Amendment (A) (Introduction of a competitive process for the provision of Mandatory Frequency Response) for implementation on 1st October 2005.
- 3.2 On 10th June 2005 the Authority approved CAP076 original Amendment Proposal (Treatment of System to Generator Intertripping Schemes) for implementation on 15th July 2005.
- 3.3 The period between the Authority's approval decision on CAP047 and formal amendment of the CUSC was therefore over a year but during that period CAP076 was approved and implemented. There was an interaction between the legal text in these two proposals in relation to Paragraph 4.5.1 (Indexation Application) and the precise mechanics of the implementation of CAP047 and CAP076 mean that 4.5.1 no longer reads clearly.
- 3.4 National Grid believes that an amendment to Paragraph 4.5.1 should now be made to clarify this text including re-introducing the clarity in CAP076 that Indexation where applicable to System to Generator Operational Intertripping

Agreements is mandatory whereas in CAP047 Alternative Amendment (A) Indexation is optional for any other Balancing Service Agreements .

4.0 IMPLEMENTATION AND TIMESCALES

4.1 National Grid recommends that CAP106 should be implemented 10 working days after the date of the Authority's decision letter for CAP106. In accordance with 8.19.3(b) views are invited on this proposed implementation date.

5.0 INITIAL VIEW OF AMENDMENTS PANEL

5.1 The Amendments Panel agreed with National Grid's recommendation that CAP106 should go straight to industry consultation.

6.0 INITIAL VIEW OF NATIONAL GRID

6.1 National Grid believes that CAP106 will better facilitate Applicable CUSC Objective (a) (the efficient discharge by National Grid of the obligations imposed on it by the Act and the transmission licence) by improving the clarity and removal of uncertainty associated with the current wording of Paragraph 4.5.1 of the CUSC.

7.0 VIEWS INVITED

- 7.1 National Grid is seeking the views of interested parties in relation to the issues raised by Amendment Proposal CAP106 and issues arising from the proposed timescale for implementation of CAP106.
- 7.2 Please send your responses to this consultation to National Grid by no later than close of business on Tuesday 15th November.
- 7.3 Please address all comments to the following e-mail address:

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Or alternatively, comments may be addressed to:

Lindsey Paradine Commercial Frameworks National Grid plc National Grid House Warwick Technology Park Gallows Hill Warwick CV34 6DA

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Annex 1 - CAP106 Amendment Proposal

CUSC Amendment Proposal Form

Title of Amendment Proposal:

Amendment to revise Paragraph 4.5.1 (Indexation – Application) of the CUSC.

Description of the Proposed Amendment (mandatory by proposer):

It is proposed that the CUSC be amended to correct inconsistencies in Paragraph 4.5.1 created by an interaction in the legal texts and subsequent implementation of CAP076 and CAP047. The proposal will also in doing this, clarify that Indexation where applicable to System to Generator Operational Intertripping Agreements is mandatory (whereas indexation is optional (to be agreed between National Grid and a User) for any other Balancing Services Agreements.) This was provided for in CAP076, and was, in the view of the proposer, inadvertently overwritten in the implementation of these two Amendment proposals.

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

There was over a year between the Authority's approval decision on CAP047 and formal amendment of the CUSC to give effect to CAP047. However, during that period CAP076 was approved and implemented. There was an interaction between the legal text in these two proposals in relation to Paragraph 4.5.1 (Indexation – Application) and the precise mechanics of the implementation of CAP047 and CAP076 mean that 4.5.1 no longer reads clearly.

National Grid believes that an amendment to Paragraph 4.5.1 should now be made to clarify this text including re-introducing the clarity in CAP076 that Indexation where applicable to System to Generator Operational Intertripping Agreements is mandatory.

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

Amend Paragraph 4.5.1 (Indexation - Application) to reflect correctly the Authority's decisions on both CAP047 and CAP076 and in doing so, to clarify that Indexation will be mandatory where applicable to System to Generator Operational Intertripping Agreements.

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

None anticipated.

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

None anticipated.

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

None.

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

The terms of the Transmission Licence require National Grid to establish and operate procedures for the modification of the CUSC so as to better facilitate achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives.

Amendment of Paragraph 4.5.1 of the CUSC to reflect properly the Authority decisions on CAP047 and CAP076 would improve clarity and remove uncertainty from the CUSC documentation and hence enable National Grid to more easily and efficiently discharge it's obligations under the Act and the Transmission Licence and fulfil it's obligations to facilitate competition in the generation and supply of electricity.

Details of Proposer: Organisation's Name:	National Grid Electricity Transmission plc	
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:	Richard Dunn National Grid Electricity Transmission plc 01926 656211 richard.dunn@ngtuk.com	
Details of Representative's Alternate: Name: Organisation: Telephone Number: Email Address:	Robert Smith National Grid Electricity Transmission plc 01926 654076 robert.smith@ngtuk.com	
Attachments (Yes/No): Yes		

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.

If Yes, Title and No. of pages of each Attachment:

Legal drafting for the amendment of paragraph 4.5.1 (1 page)

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:

Lindsey Paradine
Panel Secretary
Commercial Frameworks
National Grid Electricity Transmission plc
National Grid House
Warwick Technology Park
Gallows Hill
Warwick, CV34 6DA

Or via e-mail to: CUSC.Team@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 C10, paragraph 1. Reference should be made to this section when considering a proposed amendment.

Annex 2 - Proposed Text to Modify CUSC

4.5 INDEXATION

4.5.1 Application

The provisions of this Paragraph 4.5 shall apply to payments made by **NGC** to a **User** pursuant to Paragraphs 4.2A.4(a) and (c) in respect of the provision of **System to Generator Operational Intertripping**, and

The provisions of this Paragraph 4.5 may:-

4.5.1.1 ; and

4.5.1.2 Paragraphs 4.2A.4(a) and (c) in respect of the provision of System to Generator Operational Intertripping,

(if agreed between NGC and a User) may be incorporated by reference into any other Balancing Services Agreement (other than a Mandatory Services Agreement) as a term thereof so as to apply in respect of payments made by NGC to that User in respect of the provision of other Balancing Services (other than Mandatory Ancillary Services) (but for the avoidance of doubt not so as to thereby create any obligations on NGC and that User under the CUSC in respect thereof).