

# CAP174: Amendment to Exhibit B

CUSC Amendments Panel, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2009



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# Overview of Proposal

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- ◆ Defect addressed
  - ◆ Application form within Exhibit B to the CUSC does not require Applicants to specify exact location of proposed Offshore Connection Site
  - ◆ Lack of detail when completing application form may lead to a delay in processing the application
- ◆ Proposal
  - ◆ CAP174 seeks to amend Exhibit B to allow an Applicant to provide the longitude and latitude of the proposed Offshore Connection Site

# Consultation and Responses

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- ◆ CAP174 was raised by National Grid in July 2009
- ◆ At the CUSC Amendments Panel meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2009, the proposal was voted directly to Company consultation
  - ◆ Company consultation closed on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2009
- ◆ Three responses were received, all supporting implementation
- ◆ One respondent commented on difficulties developers face in locating an exact offshore connection site
  - ◆ The respondent suggested that any initial information regarding the connection point may refer to an area within 5km of the indicated connection point
- ◆ National Grid agrees, but does not intend to amend the form within Exhibit B any further as a result

# Amendments Panel Recommendation Vote

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- ◆ National Grid's view is that CAP174 better meets Applicable CUSC Objectives (a) and (b):
  - ◆ (a) the efficient discharge by the licensee of the obligations imposed upon it under the Act and by this licence;
  - ◆ (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.
- ◆ If the Amendment is not made, it is possible that an Applicant using Exhibit B could experience a delay in the application process relative to an Applicant using a different application form
- ◆ Therefore, implementation would remove any potential discrimination between classes of persons in the required different usage of application forms and better facilitate competition between different categories of Applicant by ensuring that the potential delay is removed from the application process