

Competition in Connections (CiC) Code of Practice Panel

Tuesday 20 June 2017 10:00

Teleconference

Meeting Notes

Attendees:

Catherine Falconer (Chair)	(CF)	SSEN
Mike Scowcroft	(MS)	SPEN
Colin Jamieson	(CJ)	CNA
Brian Hoy	(BH)	Electricity North West
Jayson Whittaker	(JW)	MCCG
Tim Hughes	(TH)	Western Power Distribution
Graham Smith	(GS)	UCCG
Gareth Pritchard	(GP)	UCCG
Kieran M ^c Girr	(KM)	Energy Networks Association

Apologies

Glyn Jones (Group Chair)	(GJ)	MCCG
Ray Farrow	(RF)	Customer Representative (observer)
David Overman	(DO)	CNA
Neil Fitzsimons	(NF)	MCCG
Neil Magrath	(NM)	UK Power Networks
Paul McGimpsey	(PM)	SPEN
Geoff Earl	(GE)	Northern Powergrid
Mike Cahill	(MC)	Lloyd's Register (observer)

Welcome

CF welcomed the group to the meeting. CF let the group know that in accordance with Appendix 1 Governance Arrangements section 5.5, GJ notified the Panel Secretary in advance that he was unable to join the call and nominated CF to chair the meeting in his place.

CF said she had had a brief exchange with Mike Cahill about joining these meetings and the group agreed that a Lloyd's Register representative would only need to join when appropriate based on the agenda and the onus would be on the Panel Chair to contact them.

Competitions Act

CF reminded the group of the need to adhere to the obligations of the Competition Act and these were listed at the back of all agendas. The group agreed to comply and no-one had any issues.

Previous Minutes

The group agreed that the minutes from the 21st March 2017 were an accurate reflection of that meeting. The modification that was discussed at the last meeting was approved by Ofgem on 24th April: https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/.../2017/04/ciccop_0005_decision_letter.pdf.

G39 Authorisations

GP raised an issue about the clarification of wording in clause 5.2 which currently reads "*Training and / or authorisations relating to G39 authorisations accepted by a given DNO shall be accepted by other DNOs*" and attempts to remove the duplication of training across the country. UCCG members have reported that where they are receiving training either from a DNO or under the Highway Electrical Registration Scheme and then authorising their employees, this is not being accepted by one DNO. G39 does say "subject to the DNO's discretion". The group agreed that in the first instance, the DNO concerned would find out the exact policies from all the DNOs relating to this and then progress through the SHE Committee.

Meeting Dates

The Panel decided to book a teleconference for 19th September 2017.