

RGo04 – REVIEW OF IGT GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION ARRANGEMENTS

This Proposal seeks to undertake a review of the IGT UNC governance and administration arrangements and produce a summary of the Workgroups findings to the IGT UNC Panel for consideration.

OBJECTIVE

- Since Project Nexus significant IGT UNC Modification Workstream business has involved the assessment of the impacts of UNC modifications on the IGT UNC, resulting in parties raising mirror modifications to make the corresponding changes to Code.
- This is resulting in most IGT UNC work being purely administrative and is resulting in industry resources not being used in the most efficient manner, and the lack of much genuine new IGT change is resulting in reduced attendance and business being discussed at the IGT UNC Workstream meetings.

CODE ADMINISTRATOR SUGGESTED APPROACH

- For all options:
 - High level assessment of the benefits;
 - High level assessment of complexity and costs;
 - Impacts of current industry change e.g. Faster Switching, development of the Retail Energy Code etc.

OPTION 1

- To amalgamate all common areas of the IGT UNC and the UNC into the UNC and to make all those areas that are not common to both codes, such as IGT invoicing and new connections an ancillary document to the UNC. This could have the effect of making the IGT UNC redundant

OPTION 2

- To create a common UNC and IGT UNC modification process so that when a modification is raised under the UNC it takes into account the IGT UNC and requires any changes to the IGT UNC legal text to be produced at the same time as the changes to the UNC legal text, effectively negating the need for mirror and cross-referencing modifications to be raised under the IGT UNC

OPTION 3

- To amend the IGT UNC to reference the UNC at a much higher 'section type' level rather than at the clause level, so that when a UNC modification is implemented which results in the legal text changing the clause numbering within a section of the UNC, an IGT UNC modification is not required to reflect this new numbering

OPTION 4

- Put the IGT UNC (and its Ancillary documents) in their entirety into the UNC as a separate section akin to the IGTAD and to change the individual Network Codes for IGTs to reference directly the UNC rather than the IGT UNC? The UNC Introduction could be modified to reference the new IGT Section and make it clear that Users shipping on IGT networks would need to read the document together with (and not instead of) the TPD when making arrangements for transportation to IGT Supply Points – i.e. the new IGT section would be the principal document setting out User and IGT responsibilities in connection with the transportation arrangements on IGT pipelines.