

## RG004 - Panel Update

## 1. Background

The RG004 Workgroup has met five times since April 2018 to discuss the current governance arrangements for the IGT UNC.

Building on the problem statements and possible solutions contained in the Review Group Proposal, the Review group developed 2 significant documents being the Driver Analysis and the Problem Statement analysis. These were then used to expand on the pros and cons of the potential solutions.

All of this material was then used to develop a Request for Information (RFI).

The RFI was issued to industry on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018 to seek Industries views on the proposed problem statements and proposed solutions. It also sought to find out their company's preference in moving forward and requested any opinions on areas the review group may have missed.

The September Workgroup discussed the results of the RFI, which can be found on the <u>IGT UNC</u> <u>website</u>.

Generally, Industry indicated that whilst the total amalgamation of both the IGT UNC and UNC was, in practice, a good idea, there was either not sufficient evidence at present to suggest that the IGT UNC governance was in imminent need for change or that there was currently too much other change (e.g. Retail Energy code, Faster Switching) in the industry and it was not a priority at this time.

There was however support for some suggested solutions which would help the efficient running of the Code and these are detailed below.

### 2. Recommendation

The Workgroup have recommended that they meet a further two times in order to discuss further the two options indicated by industry together with a further option put forward by a respondent to the RFI to assess which if any may be the most appropriate to for potential further development. These meetings will discuss the following options and will invite representatives from the Joint Office:

- Option 2 To create a common UNC and IGT UNC modification process so that when a modification is raised under the UNC it considers the IGT UNC and requires any changes to the IGT UNC legal text to be produced simultaneously;
- Option 5 Allowing the Code Administrator to raise non-material modification proposals on behalf of industry in order to cut down on duplicated resource, and reduction in the frequency of modification workstream meetings; and
- **Newly proposed Option 7** Set up a Cross Code working Group to look to improve the current modification process across both the IGT UNC and the UNC.

#### 3. Relevant documents

## Below is a list of relevant documents produced by the Review group:

- Problem Statement analysis;
- Request for information;
- Appendix A Solutions;
- Appendix B Attendance;
- Appendix C Modifications;
- Summary of responses v1.1; and



• Collated responses.

# 4. Panel Decision

The IGT UNC Panel is invited to:

- NOTE the contents of this paper;
- **AGREE** that the RG004 review group meets for a maximum of two further Workgroup meetings.

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