1 SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 Recommendations

On the basis of the analysis, consultation and assessment undertaken in respect of this Modification Proposal during the Assessment Phase, and the resultant findings of this report, the Modification Group recommends that the BSC Panel should:

- a) Proceed to the Report Phase and recommend to the Authority that the modification proposal/alternative modification proposal be rejected;
- b) Note that experience of the current arrangements for manifest error processing has demonstrated a lack of clarity under certain circumstances, particularly with regard to the utilisation of existing workarounds, and that this is being followed up by Elexon.

1.2 Background

Modification P14 was proposed by the National Grid Company as a means to agree bilaterally that a Manifest Error had occurred for certain bid/offers that had not been acted upon. The Panel decided that it should proceed to Assessment stage (Paper 19/003). The consultation responses to P14 were predominantly negative and the Error Processing Modification Group agreed not to progress the original proposal, but to consider a less expensive, procedurally based alternative. The group subsequently determined that even the alternative did not warrant the cost of progressing to a detailed impact assessment.

1.3 Rationale for Recommendations

The Modification Group determined that there were insufficient benefits to pursue the proposal on the grounds that:

- There is an existing means of resolution, albeit with some clarification required;
- Projected cost savings from the implementation of P14 were probably only slightly greater than the cost of performing a detailed impact assessment (see page 10);
- Manifest Errors that could be treated under the P14 proposal are expected to be rare (a maximum of 10 occurrences per annum);
- Concerns about decision making moving from the TDC to the NGC could only be partially allayed by mitigating actions to improve visibility.