

## Appendix B: Membership Application and Selection Criteria

The CRU requests that interested parties submit their application for Panel membership to the CRU in the below format:

Membership Application	
Networks Stakeholder Engagement Evaluation Panel (2026/2027)	
Name:	
Organisation/Affiliation:	
Category:	
Please describe your suitability for membership (250 words or less):	
Are you in a position to provide an alternate where you are unavailable to attend a meeting? (Yes/No):	

### Selection Criteria

The CRU will consider the following when assessing applications for membership of the Panel:

- The representation of an appropriate balance of members across different categories
- The ability to provide an alternate for consistency

These criteria aim to ensure that the Panel is well-rounded with a mix of stakeholder views and that Panel meetings can proceed efficiently.

## Appendix C: Assessment Criteria

### 1. Quality of the Strategy

- Were there clear objectives set out in the strategy? If so, were the objectives linked to actions and initiatives that GNI planned to undertake?
- Were there clear measures of success set out in the strategy?
- Was the strategy comprehensive, up to date and in plain English?
- Were the needs of stakeholders and challenges facing GNI identified and linked to the strategy?
- Were there areas subject to improvement identified and tracked in the strategy?
- Did the strategy cover what mechanisms are used to keep stakeholders informed about issues, business activities and decision making?
- Did the strategy cover how the mechanisms to keep stakeholders informed are monitored and reported within the company?
- Did the strategy cover how GNI enables timely input and feedback from the stakeholders?
- Did the strategy cover how input and feedback from stakeholders feed into the work of GNI?
- Did the strategy put in place sufficient project management processes and resources, including contact details for different initiatives planned?
- Was the strategy embedded in GNI's overall business plan?

### 2. Implementation of the Strategy

- Were all aspects of the strategy implemented, with sufficient evidence provided to demonstrate so?
- Were the engagement channels and initiatives undertaken linked to the strategic objectives of the strategy?
- Were the engagement channels used consistent with the strategy and appropriate for all relevant stakeholders?
- Were the initiatives undertaken by GNI innovative?
- Were the channels and initiatives appropriately adapted for the range of stakeholders?
- Were the stakeholders' issues and needs fully addressed?
- Were there mechanisms to monitor and report the implementation of the strategy within GNI?

- Did the implementation adapt in response to experience and issues as they arose?
- Did GNI demonstrate that the strategy implemented was cost-effective?

### 3. Effectiveness of the Strategy

- Did the initiatives undertaken lead to measured outcomes?
- Were positive impacts for customers demonstrably delivered? If so, were these quantified appropriately?
- Did the quantified positive impacts show that GNI focused on engagement in areas/projects that would deliver value in terms of customer outcomes and/or system outcomes?
- Did the initiatives lead to action plans?
- Did the initiatives have impacts on GNI's processes, policies or plans?
- Did the implementation of the strategy have an impact on GNI's culture, activities or decision-making process? Was this clearly demonstrated?
- Did the outcomes feed back into the strategy?
- Did the initiatives undertaken by GNI have demonstrable regard to industry's feedback?
- Did GNI demonstrate that stakeholder feedback to industry consultations and at workshops were taken into account and addressed?
- Did the initiatives address the needs of stakeholders and result in measurable benefits?
- Was performance benchmarked with best practice? Was this evidenced by GNI?

### Delivering Large Connections

- Were all the relevant stakeholders identified and the engagement approach for each clearly explained?
- Was the strategy appropriately adapted to the range of stakeholders?
- Were the needs of stakeholders and the challenges facing GNI identified and linked to the strategy?
- Did the strategy cover what mechanisms are used to keep stakeholders informed about connections, issues, business activities and decision-making?
- Was the strategy embedded into the overall business plan?
- Were the engagement channels used consistent with the strategy and appropriate for the relevant stakeholders?
- Were the initiatives undertaken by GNI innovative?
- Did the initiatives undertaken lead to measured outcomes?

### Lessons Learnt

- Did GNI capture lessons learnt through implementing their strategy?
- Did GNI identify and explain ways in which their approach to stakeholder engagement can be improved in future years?