

Agenda Item 6: Ratification of Work Package 1 Final Report

1. BACKGROUND

The REGWG endorsed the Work Package 1 Interim Report by ROAM Consulting at the 25 February 2010 meeting, requesting only minor changes. The Interim Report was then noted by MAC at the 12 May 2010 meeting.

At these meetings, the following reasons were noted for denoting this as an Interim Report only:

- It was noted that it may be appropriate for the REGWG to revisit the Work Package 1 report contingent on the outcomes of Work Package 3. The Work Package 3 Draft Report has been reviewed by the REGWG previously and the Final Report has been distributed to REGWG members in advance of the 12 August 2010 meeting. The review of Work Package 3 has not identified any required changes to the Work Package 1 Interim Report.
- The overnight load forecasts were considered and resolved.
- The alignment of the long term forecasts used by ROAM and the informal long term forecasts prepared by National Economics (NIEIR) was reviewed. Some discrepancies were identified but these appear to stem from the long term NIEIR forecasts, which have used a different starting point. The IMO considers that the ROAM forecasts are sufficiently robust for the purposes of the REGWG analysis.

2. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the REGWG:

 Approve that the Interim Work Package 1 report be accepted as the Final Work Package 1 report. Confirm against MAC paper