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Dear Julian

RE UNC Modification Proposal 0039 – Removal of 9.5.5 of the Modification Rules

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this Modification Proposal.

The consideration of this section of the Modification Rules has been brought about by the requirement for the Modification Panel to reach a determination to recommend implementation of a Modification Proposal. This has become of greater importance in the context of an appeals process now being in place.

This section of the Modification Rules had been included for the purpose of clarifying the status of a position reached by the Panel where the votes in favour were exactly half of the votes potentially cast. With further consideration of the paragraph, it is evident that the text of 9.5.5 adds nothing to that section and we concur with the view that it adds, rather than dispels, confusion.

Therefore we are supportive of the implementation of this Modification Proposal as, by clarifying the effect of a voting position, it aids the efficiency of the Governance process of the Uniform Network Code.

Please contact me if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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