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Coming up this week

31 July
Performance Assurance Board at **10.00**

BSC Panel Election: Voting starts

The following candidates have been nominated to stand in the 2014 Industry Panel Member election:

Candidate	Nominated by
Andrew Colley	Garth Graham, SSE Energy Supply Ltd
Barbara Vest	Julian Skinner, Eggborough Power Ltd
Bob Brown	Karen Stockdale, Energy24 Ltd
Paul Jones	Liza Davies, E.ON UK plc
Peter Bolitho	Jeremy Guard, First Utility Ltd
Stuart Cotten	Jeremy Letts, Corby Power Ltd

Trading Parties may vote for their preferred candidates using the voting papers we have issued to our identified election contacts. **Votes must be sent by post to be received by 17.00 on Friday 22 August 2014**.

We will announce the results of the BSC Panel election at the beginning of September and, in any case, no later than **14 September 2014**. All individual responses will be treated as confidential although the total votes cast for each candidate at each round will be published.

More information on the BSC Panel and the 2014 election is available on the ELEXON website.

If you think you should have heard from us but haven't done so, please contact **Laura Delargy** on 020 7380 4309 or email panelelections@elexon.co.uk.

Next Performance Assurance Board (PAB) Meeting: 31 July 2014

The next PAB meeting is on **Thursday 31 July 2014**. You can view all the open session papers here on the ELEXON website.

There are a number of items in the open session of the agenda this month that may of be interest to you:

Data Transfer Service (DTS) Data Analysis: PAB162/04
This paper updates the PAB on the usefulness of DTS data to help monitor Party performance and data quality.

Initial Response to the Technical Assurance Agent (TAA) Annual Report recommendations: PAB162/05
This paper details ELEXON's initial response to the TAA Annual Report recommendations.

Risk Management Plan (RMP) Modification Proposal: PAB162/06
Following a review of the RMPs and associated processes, the PAB will be asked to recommend to the Panel to raise a Modification removing the obligation to provide and annually review RMPs to Performance Assurance Parties.

CP1413 'Amendments to BSCP535 'Technical Assurance' following a review': PAB162/07
The PAB will consider the proposed solution and the responses received to the CP consultation before deciding whether to endorse CP1413.

If you have any questions, please email PABSecretary@elexon.co.uk.

Changing times: the future of energy settlement

At this year's Annual BSC Meeting we wanted to try something different. For the first time the event, held on **Thursday 10 July 2014**, was followed immediately by a seminar – **Changing times: the future of energy settlement**. We welcomed 62 people to our offices and, based on the feedback we received, plan to hold a seminar again next year. Click here to view the slides from both events.

If you have any queries, please email events@elexon.co.uk.

Modifications, Change and Implementation

Live Consultations:
P302 'Improve the Change of Supplier Meter read and Settlement process for smart Meters' Assessment Consultation - responses are due by **17.00** on **Friday 8 August 2014**.

P306 'Expanding the Definition of a 'Letter of Credit' to include regulated insurance companies' Assessment Consultation - responses are due by **17.00** on **Friday 15 August 2014**.

Electricity Market Reform (EMR) Update

Updated Contracts for Difference (CfD) Implementation Plan published
The Low Carbon Contracts Company (LCCC) in its role as the CfD Implementation Coordinator, has published the CfD Implementation Plan on its Implementation Portal. The Plan gives potential participants in the CfD programme details of the key implementation activities and indicative milestones. DECC published the first version of this document in April 2014 as one of the outputs of the EMR Collaborative Development Programme.

The Portal provides access to relevant information, documents and publications about CfD Implementation. This includes information for CfD Generators and Suppliers, material from previous stakeholder events and the Stakeholder Engagement Schedule.

How do I access the Portal?
If you haven't received login details to the portal, please email cfdpreparations@decc.gsi.gov.uk. You can access the updated CfD Implementation Plan by logging on to Decc.iserver-emea.com and entering your unique username and password, and then clicking the CfD Implementation Plan tab.

New LCCC site coming soon
The Implementation Plan along with other key CfD implementation publications will also be available on the new LCCC site which is due to go live soon.

Want to know what's happening with EMR?
Visit the EMR Settlement website to find out about our role in EMR including changes which are likely to impact parties, information for our customers to review or action, and the latest developments and news. You can subscribe to receive the latest EMR Circulars via the website too.

If you have any questions, please email contact@emrsettlement.co.uk.

ELEXON Dispute decisions

Our view on Trading Disputes **DA637** and **DA662** is now available on the Dispute decisions page of our website. If you believe you should have been notified as an affected Party, please email us at disputes@elexon.co.uk and we will take the Dispute to the Trading Disputes Committee.

Credit Assessment Load Factor appeal deadline: Friday 1 August 2014

Credit Assessment Load Factor (CALF) values are published for the **Autumn 2014** BSC Season, which runs from **1 September – 30 November 2014**. You can download these from the **Credit/Credit Alerting** section under the **Financial and Credit menu** on the ELEXON Portal.

What can I do if I believe the assigned value does not accurately represent the expected Balancing Mechanism (BM) Unit activity?
If you are the Lead Party of a non-Credit Qualifying BM Unit, you can appeal an assigned CALF value if you believe it does not accurately represent your expected activity.

To raise an appeal, please complete the CALF Appeals pro forma in **Appendix 5** of the CALF Guidance document and email it to bscservicedesk@cgi.com by **Friday 1 August 2014**.

You can find more information on CALF appeals in **Section 12** of the CALF Guidance document.

Where can I find further information?
For further information about CALF, please see the CALF Guidance document or email **James Townsend** at SettlementOperations@elexon.co.uk.

ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since **Monday 21 July**, we have published two ELEXON Circulars.

The Circular was for information and related to:

EL02121: **NORW Line Loss Factor mid-year submissions file discrepancy**
Due to errors loading the Line Loss Factor file for NORW LDSO, the file was removed from the ELEXON Portal. We're working with NORW LDSO to resolve this.

EL02122: **Energy Contract Volume Allocation Agent (ECVAA) System Failure: 25 July 2014**
This Circular provides an update on the ECVAA System Failure which occurred on **Friday 25 July 2014**.

Circulars are published in the News section of the ELEXON website.

Upcoming meetings and events

5 August - Supplier Volume Allocation Group

6 August - Profiling and Settlement Review Group

7 August - Trading Disputes Committee

12 August - Unmetered Supplies User Group

14 August - BSC Panel

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