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Planned National Grid BM Outage: Tuesday 18 November 2014

What is happening?

We have been notified by National Grid that there will be Balancing Mechanism (BM) planned downtime between 09.40 (GMT) and 12.40 (GMT) on Tuesday 18 November 2014 which will affect submission of Balancing Services Adjustment Data (BSAD) to the BSC Central Services.

Please note that these times are approximate and ELEXON will send out a further communication to notify parties when work has been completed.

How will I be affected?

The flow of BSAD (both DISBSAD and NETBSAD) to BSC Central Services will be disrupted during this period and though the half hourly indicative Settlement calculations will continue, they will use default data. The Balancing Mechanism Reporting Agent (BMRA) will not re–run indicative Settlement calculations on any impacted Settlement periods following the completion of this planned downtime.

National Grid has advised us that the outage **will** affect EDT, EDL and BSAD communications and have asked parties to note that from the start of the outage, Control Points should not use EDT or EDL as this will result in re–declarations being rejected with a R999 error message. Likewise when the systems are returning, re–declarations should not be submitted (although the EDL link may appear available) until a notification is issued confirming the end of the outage.

What do I need to do?

You do not need to take any specific action but just note that the BMRA's calculations will be impacted during this planned downtime.

Do I need to take any further action?

No, ELEXON will issue a further communication when the National Grid planned outage has been completed.

Any BSC Parties having questions for National Grid regarding this planned outage should phone 0800 917 7111 or 0800 085 4806. Overseas callers should use +44 870 521 6121 and quote 'NETA EDT'.

If you have any questions regarding impact on Settlement calculations or processes then please contact the BSC Service Desk bscservicedesk@cgi.com

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