



Coming up this week

2 December

[P307 'Amendments to Credit Default arrangements' Report Phase Consultation](#) - responses are due by **17.00**

2 December

[Supplier Volume Allocation Group](#) at **10.00**

3 December

[P315 'Publication of Gross Supplier Market Share Data' industry Impact Assessment](#) - responses are due by **17.00**

3 December

[Profiling and Settlement Review Group](#) at **10.00**

4 December

[Trading Disputes Committee](#) at **10.00**

5 December

[Service improvements open forum](#) at **9.00**

We want your views on how we can do things better - come along to an open forum in December

We are reviewing the services we offer our customers and how we can improve them. Whilst we have our own view of how we can make life easier for our customers, we would like to hear from you. We are holding two open forums in December for any customers to attend and provide feedback on how you think we should evolve as an organisation.

[Click here](#) to read about the work we have already done. This is our simple view of what we offer, where we think the opportunities to improve are and, how we might improve. We have built this view from analysing feedback from our customers and our own processes, but you can help by letting us know where and how you think we can improve the services we offer.

The dates of the open forums are:

- **Friday 5 December** at **9.00** to **13.00**
- **Tuesday 16 December** at **13.00** to **17.00**

If you would like to attend one of these forums please click on the links above, and register your details in the

online forms. The ELEXON Executive team will attend these sessions as well as some key staff working on the Transformation Strategy.

If you would like to discuss this in further detail or are unable to meet us face-to-face but would like to provide feedback, please contact [Chris Braley](#) on 07551 124612.

Switched On: the results of our customer survey 2014

Each year we conduct a customer survey using an independent research company. It's an important way of finding out exactly what our customers think of us, what we do well and where we need to improve. We would like to thank everyone who participated.

[Find out more about the customer survey results 2014.](#)

February 2015 'Introducing ELEXON' seminar fully booked!

Our next ['Introducing ELEXON' seminar](#) on **Wednesday 18 February 2015** is now fully booked. If you would like to be put on a waiting list please email us at events@elexon.co.uk and we will let you know if we receive any cancellations.

We are holding another seminar on **Wednesday 29 April 2015** which will be useful if you are a newcomer to the industry, have recently entered the market, or are in the process of doing so. The seminar provides a useful overview of the balancing mechanism and imbalance settlement processes and how the different industry bodies interact with them. To give you a complete view of the industry, we combine presentations from ELEXON with perspectives from across the industry.

All the dates for our 2015 seminars are published [here](#) on our website.

[Click here](#) for more information and to register for the April 2015 seminar.

Our seminar is free to BSC Parties, BSC Party Agents, Government/Trade Bodies, and students.

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

CALF 2015 calendar published

CALF is a parameter used in calculating Credit. It estimates a Balancing Mechanism (BM) Unit's average performance in a given BSC Season, which is applied to the Generation Capacity (GC) or Demand Capacity (DC) value to estimate the BM Unit's performance in a Settlement Period. This estimate is used in Credit calculation until actual data becomes available.

Where can I find the calendar?

The CALF 2015 Calendar is published on the [Credit Assessment Load Factor](#) page of the ELEXON website.

The new calendar details appeal and submission deadlines for the preceding 2015 seasons.

Where can I find further information?

For more information about CALF, please see the [CALF Guidance document](#) or email **Jordi Brown** at SettlementOperations@elexon.co.uk.

Credit Assessment Load Factor (CALF) values for the Spring 2015 BSC Season published

Credit Assessment Load Factor (CALF) values are now available for the **Spring 2015** BSC Season, which runs from **1 March - 31 May 2015**. 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 **Monday 2 February 2015**.

Where can I find further information?

You can find more information on CALF appeals in **Section 12** of the [CALF Guidance document](#).

For general information about CALF, please see the CALF Guidance document or email **Jordi Brown** at SettlementOperations@elexon.co.uk.

Business strategy and budget - we want you views

We will publish our 2015/16 draft business strategy and budget on **Monday 15 December** and seek views on it from BSC Parties. We will hold a forum on **Wednesday 17 December** from **14.00-16.00** to describe the business plan and budget and answer any questions that BSC Parties may have.

If you'd like to attend, email victoria.moxham@elexon.co.uk to secure a space at the event.

Risk Evaluation Register 2014/15 Within Period Revision consultation published

The Performance Assurance Board (PAB) endorsed the draft Within Period Revisions (WPRs) to the Risk Evaluation Register (RER) 2014/15 for industry consultation on **Thursday 27 November 2014**. It was distributed to the industry on **Monday 1 December 2014**.

We invite you to respond to this consultation, the proposed amendments - Consultation Questions form and the ledger are published on the [Consultations](#) page of our website. Please email your completed response to melinda.anderson@elexon.co.uk by **Monday 22 December 2014**.

We will present the consultation responses to the PAB at its meeting on **Thursday 26 February 2015**. At this meeting the PAB, with delegated authority from the Panel, will approve the WPRs to the RER 2014/15 (subject to any changes it deems necessary).

For further information on the RER, or if you have any questions, please contact [Melinda Anderson](#).

DECC publishes Energy Intensive Industry Amendments to the BSC consultation

On **Monday 24 November 2014**, the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) published a consultation on proposed changes to the BSC supporting its Energy Intensive Industry (EII) policy. This policy forms part of the Electricity Market Reform (EMR), and is designed to exempt eligible EIIs from Contracts for Difference (CFD) payments. The proposed changes place new obligations on **Suppliers** and **Half Hourly Data Aggregators (HDDAs)**. These BSC changes were directed by the Secretary of State, so do not follow the normal change process.

For action

The BSC changes will be directed by the Secretary of State and are not part of the normal BSC change processes. You can read the [consultation](#), along with the red lined changes. The deadline for responses is **21 December 2014**.

What is the change?

Following approval of the BSC changes either a new Additional Balancing Mechanism (BM) Unit naming convention (option A) or changes to the Data Transfer Catalogue (DTC) (option B) will be required. We are seeking comments on these consequential changes. Please email your comments on the following two options, to contact@emrsettlement.co.uk by **17.00** on **Monday 5 January 2015**.

- **If Option A is implemented:** Proposed changes to naming conventions for additional Balancing Mechanism (BM) Units registered for EII Assets.
- **If Option B is implemented:** Proposed changes to the Data Transfer Catalogue (DTC) to support the BSC changes.

Where can I find more information?

Further information on the above two options is published on the EMR Settlement website, via [EMR Circular 22](#), and [EMR Circular 22 - attachment 1](#).

Modifications, Change and Implementation

Live Consultations:

Risk Evaluation Register [2014/15 for Industry Consultation](#) - responses are due by **17.00** on **Monday 22 December 2014**.

Electricity Market Reform (EMR) update

We've now published the presentation material from the EMR Suppliers Implementation event

On **Tuesday 25 November 2014** the Low Carbon Contracts Company (LCCC) and the EMR Settlement Services Provider held a **supplier-focused** event to support in their preparations for the EMR CFD and Capacity Market (CM).

The event covered:

- Supplier Obligation Forecasting Model (SOFM)
- Transparency Tool
- CFD and CM Supplier Payments
- Reserve Payments
- CFD Credit Cover
- Interfaces

If you're a supplier and weren't able to attend, the [implementation event slides](#) are now available to view.

Request for Supplier Company Details for Electricity Market Reform

We've posted a [letter](#) to licensed electricity suppliers' company secretaries seeking the provision of its company contact details for the purposes of EMR. The company details provided will be used to issue all notices, invoices, and credit notes required by the CFD and Capacity Market Regulations. We are gathering these details on behalf of the CFD counterparty ([Low Carbon Contracts Company](#)) and the CM Settlement Body ([Electricity Settlements Company](#)).

How should I submit my company details?

The letter we issued enclosed a [company registration form](#) which must to be completed and returned to EMRS. We would encourage you to download and complete the form electronically before printing and posting it to us.

When do I need to submit my company details?

We need to receive all completed company registration forms by **Friday 12 December 2014**.

Have we communicated this request via EMR Circular?

Yes, this has been communicated via [EMR Circular 23](#).

Where can I get more information?

If you have any further questions or comments, about this circular please do get in touch with us on 020 7380 4025 or email contact@emrsettlement.co.uk.

We've published the slides from the CFD Generator Implementation workshop

On **Wednesday 19 November 2014** the Low Carbon Contracts Company, Delivery Body and EMR Settlement Services Provider held a generator workshop to support their preparations for the implementation of CFD. If you're a generator seeking a CFD and weren't able to attend, the [slides](#) are now available to view.

Keep in touch with what's happening with EMR

Visit the [EMR Settlement website](#) to view the latest news on EMR. Our EMR Circulars keep you informed of the latest changes, consultations and events. To register for EMR Circulars please subscribe to our mailing list on the homepage of the EMRS website. The [EMR Settlement calendar](#) is also a useful way to check what is happening as it highlights key dates such as implementation events, deadlines for consultations and workshops.

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

Next BSC Panel meeting: 11 December 2014

The next scheduled [BSC Panel](#) meeting is on **Thursday 11 December 2014** and will start at **10.00** at ELEXON's offices: ELEXON Ltd, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW.

All agenda items will be held in open session (except those deemed confidential) and representatives of BSC Parties may attend. Meeting papers will be published on the [BSC Panel meeting](#) section of the website on **Thursday 4 December 2014**.

If you would like to attend or have any queries, please email the [Panel Secretary](#) by **Tuesday 9 December 2014**.

ELEXON Dispute decisions

The view of the Disputes Secretariat on Trading Disputes **DA665** and **DA674** are now available on the [Disputes 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 (TDC).

New Market Participant: Iberdrola Generacion Espana S.A.U

Iberdrola Generacion Espana S.A.U (Party ID: IBEGENES) has successfully acceded to the BSC, effective from **Monday 24 November 2014**, and intend to register in the role of **Interconnector User** and **Energy Contract Volume Notification Agent (ECVNA)**.

If you have any questions about the market entry process, please email market.entry@elexon.co.uk.

ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since **Monday 24 November**, we have published four ELEXON Circulars.

The Circulars were for information and related to:

EL02159: Volume Allocation Runs (VAR) re-run on 25 November 2014 for Settlement Dates 1 and 2 August 2012

Reconciliation Final (RF) data was incorrectly used instead of Dispute Final (DF) in the Volume Allocation Runs (VAR) by the Supplier Volume Allocation Agent (SVAA). This applies to Settlement Dates 1 and 2 August 2012 which were run today – 25 November 2014.

EL02160: Planned National Grid Balancing Services Adjustment Data (BSAD) outage on Wednesday 26 November 2014

National Grid notified us of urgent planned downtime on **Wednesday 26 November** between **11.00 and 13.00 (GMT)** which affected submission of BSAD to the BSC Central Services.

EL02161: Completed - Planned National Grid downtime on Wednesday 26 November 2014

Further to [ELEXON Circular EL02160](#), National Grid has notified us that the planned downtime was completed successfully.

EL02162: Withdrawal from the BSC – British Energy Trading and Sales Limited (Party ID: BEPET001)

British Energy Trading and Sales Limited withdrew from the BSC on **Friday 28 November 2014**, in accordance with section A5.1 of the Code.

Circulars are published in the [News](#) section of the ELEXON website.

Upcoming meetings and events

11 December - [BSC Panel](#)

16 December - [Imbalance Settlement Group](#)

16 December - [Service improvements forum](#)

18 December - [Performance Assurance Board](#)



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