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MEETING NAME	Imbalance Settlement Group
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Meeting number	217
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Date of meeting	Tuesday 21 May 2019
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Venue	ELEXON Ltd
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ATTENDEES AND APOLOGIES

Attendees	Iain Nicoll	IN	ISG Chairman
	David Thomas	DaT	ISG Vice Chairman
	Angus Fairbairn	AF	Technical Secretary
	Lisa Waters	LW	Panel Sponsor (via Teleconference)
	Emma Burns	EB	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Aaron Seamer	AS	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Peter Berry	PB	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Walter Hood	WH	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Dennis Timmins	DeT	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Karen Lavelle	KL	ELEXON Staff
	Reanna Gordon	RG	ELEXON Staff

Apologies	Andrew Colley	AC	ISG Member
	Phil Hewitt	PH	ISG Member

OPEN SESSION – DECISION PAPERS

1. A New Generic SECALF Values – ISG217/01

- 1.1 This paper proposes changes to generic Supplier Export Credit Assessment Load Factor (SECALF) values for use from the Autumn 2019 BSC Season onwards.
 - 1.2 An ISG Member (EB) questioned whether the increase in BM Units in this year's paper would increase the required credit to be lodged. ELEXON confirmed this is likely to increase the amount of credit to be lodged.
 - 1.3 Another ISG Member (LW) sought clarification on the increase in the number and type of BM Units that have contributed to the increase. ELEXON stated the paper analysed high-level numbers with no details on individual types of BM Units. ELEXON agreed to carry out further analysis to determine the types of BMU's and to try and identify any obvious reasons for the increase in BM Units.
- ACTION 217/01**
- 1.4 An ISG member (AS) questioned if the current SECALF process is still suitable if it meant that parties need to lodge more credit. ELEXON stated this was the first year where there was such an increase in BM Units. ELEXON will complete the SECALF annual process next year and will highlight if the number of BMU's continues to grow at the same rate.

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1.5 The ISG:

- a) **NOTED** that ELEXON has completed the annual generic SECALF process;
- b) **APPROVED** the proposed new set of generic SECALF values for all seasons, for use from Autumn 2019 BSC Season onwards; and
- c) **APPROVED** the red-lined changes to the CALF Guidance.

2. Metering Dispensation D/494 Greenhill Network Rail - ISG217/02

- 2.1 EDF Energy Customers Limited has applied for a lifetime Metering Dispensation (D/494) against Code of Practice (CoP) 2 for the Metering Equipment associated with Network Rail's Greenhill Feeder Station. The measurement transformers are the incorrect accuracy class, the voltage transformers are connected to the busbars below the Defined Metering Point, and the voltage transformers also feed non-Settlement burdens (protection relays). Overall accuracy is maintained within CoP2 limits. We invite the Imbalance Settlement Group (ISG) to approve Metering Dispensation D/494 on a lifetime basis.
 - 2.2 ELEXON stated the issue was isolated, and there were no other foreseen issues with Network Rail's metering.
 - 2.3 An ISG Member (AS) questioned the varying load factors on the rail service at this particular location. Another ISG Member (WH) stated the metering equipment was located at a very active junction that is likely to have a train passing every 5 minutes during the day. During the night, it is expected there will be significantly less load.
 - 2.4 An ISG Member (AS) requested a Technical Assurance Agent (TAA) audit be undertaken at the site to ensure the non-compliances against CoP2 referenced in the Metering Dispensation cover all the issues with the installation. The ISG Member (AS) referred to the questions raised by a Metering Dispensation Review Group (MDRG) member, whether any further installations at other Network Rail sites will have the same non-compliance. ELEXON agreed to organise a TAA audit at the site and ask Network Rail to confirm if any other sites had been installed to the incorrect specification.
- ACTION 217/02**
- 2.5 An ISG Member (EB) questioned the cost of a TAA audit. The ISG Committee stated the costs were mainly predominantly associated with ensuring the MOP and a representative from Network Rail attending the site for the duration of the TAA audit (usually a few hours).
 - 2.6 The ISG:
 - d) **APPROVED** Metering Dispensation D/494, for Greenhill Network Rail, on a lifetime basis, subject to the Meters being compensated for, as a minimum, voltage transformer errors and with the condition of the TAA audit taking place.

OPEN SESSION – TABLED ITEMS

3. BSC Operations Headline Report

- 3.1 The BSC Operations Headline Report provides an overview of the operations of the BSC for March – April 2019
- 3.2 The ISG:
 - e) **NOTED** the report.

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4. Change Report

4.1 This report presents a comprehensive monthly overview of the changes in the BSC Change Process.

4.2 The ISG:

f) **NOTED** the report.

5. System Price Analysis Report (SPAR)

5.1 The System Prices Analysis Report (SPAR) provides a monthly update on price calculations. It is published by the ELEXON Market Analysis Team to the Imbalance Settlement Group (ISG), and on the ELEXON Website ahead of the monthly ISG meeting.

5.2 The ISG:

g) **NOTED** the report.

OPEN SESSION – OTHER BUSINESS

6. Panel Update

6.1 ELEXON is required to perform an updated Impact Assessment for [P361](#): Revised treatment of BSC Charges for Lead Parties of Interconnector BM Units as the proposed implementation date passed whilst approval of the change was discussed.

6.2 ELEXON is seeking attendees for the first Workgroup for [P385](#): Improving the efficacy and efficiency of the Section H Default provisions.

6.3 The BSC Panel reviewed the First Written Assessment for [P386](#) Clarification to the P344 'Project TERRE' legal text.

6.4 The BSC Panel viewed modification [P372](#): Speeding up the approval process for the publication of BSC data on the BMRS.

6.5 Progression agreed for publishing EBGL balancing data on the BM Reporting Service (BMRS) as initial costs from previous application have reduced.

6.6 The BSC Panel recommended rejection [P366](#): Change to Supplier Charge SP08a for hard-to-read sites.

6.7 The National Electricity Transmission System Operator (NETSO) is actively looking into [Issue 74](#): Increased utilisation of non-BM STOR.

7. Actions

7.1 There were no comments on the actions.

8. Minutes from previous meeting

8.1 The ISG agreed the minutes from the previous meeting without comment

9. Areas of Other Business

9.1 An ISG Member (EB) questioned the retraction of the Annual Review of VoLL and RSVP from the ISG 217 Agenda. ELEXON stated they were waiting for 6 months of pricing data after the implementation of P305: Electricity Balancing Significant Code Review Developments (Stage 2) on 1 November 2018.