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MEETING NAME	Imbalance Settlement Group
Meeting number	231
Date of meeting	Tuesday 7 July 2020
Venue	Elxon Ltd. (via Teleconference)
Classification	Public

ATTENDEES AND APOLOGIES

Attendees	Iain Nicoll	IN	ISG Chair (via Teleconference)
	David Thomas	DaT	ISG Vice Chair (via Teleconference)
	Angus Fairbairn	AF	ISG Technical Secretary (via Teleconference)
	Lisa Waters	LW	Panel Sponsor (via Teleconference)
	Katharina Birkner	KB	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Peter Berry	PB	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Phil Hewitt	PH	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Emma Burns	EB	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Aaron Seamer	AS	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Dennis Timmins	DeT	ISG Member (via Teleconference)

Apologies	Olaf Islei	OI	ISG Member
	Andrew Colley	AC	ISG Member

OPEN SESSION – DECISION PAPERS

1. CP1527 'Increase the minimum data storage capacity for Settlement Outstations and mandate specific selectable integration periods for Metering CoPs' – (231/01)

- 1.1 Both Committees deferred their decisions to approve or reject CP1527 pending further analysis on the minimum data storage capacity for Settlement Outstations as well as considering the impact of COVID-19 on the implementation date.
- 1.2 The ISG:
 - a) **AGREED** the amendments to the proposed redlining for BSCP601, CoP1, CoP2 and CoP3 for CP1527 made following the CP Consultation;
 - b) **APPROVED** the proposed changes to BSCP601, CoP1, CoP2 and CoP3 for CP1527;
 - c) **APPROVED** CP1527 for implementation on 30 June 2022 as part of the June 2022 BSC Release; and
 - d) **NOTED** that CP1527:
 - i) The Implementation Date has been extended from 24 June 2021 in response to consultation responses and COVID-19; and
 - ii) Will also be present to the SVG on 7 July 2020.

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2. METHODOLOGY FOR LOAD PERIODS AND SAMPLE SETTLEMENT PERIODS – (231/02)

- 2.1 This paper summarises the proposed methodology for setting Load Periods (LPs) and Sample Settlement Periods (SSPs). These are used in the derivation of Zonal Transmission Loss Factors, as required by the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC).
- 2.2 It also presents the actual values resulting from the current methodology, and seeks approval from the Imbalance Settlement Group (ISG) to use these derived values.
- 2.3 An ISG Member questioned whether 'CUSC Modification Proposals (CMP) 324 and 325: Generation Zones – changes for RIIO-T2 & Rezoning – CMP324 expansion' ([CMP324 and 325](#)) would impact the methodology for Load Periods and Sample Settlement Periods. Elexon stated they were not aware of an impact on the methodology at this time. Elexon registered an Action to confirm the impacts of CMP 324 and 325 on the methodology.

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- 2.4 The ISG:
- a) **NOTED** the actual LPs and SSPs in attachment A;
 - b) **NOTED** Elexon will next consult with industry on the LP and SSP methodology in June/July 2021; and
 - c) **APPROVED** the proposed methodology, and actual LPs and SSPs, to be used in the derivation of TLFs for the BSC Year 2021/22

OPEN SESSION – VERBAL UPDATES

3. Change Proposal 'Interconnector Fuel Type Category update to BMRS' – (231/03)

- 3.1 Changes are needed to the BMRS to ensure it continues to provide Market Participants with this necessary data in the most accurate and consistent manner:
- 3.2 CP1516 added the two interconnectors (IFA2 and ElecLink) that were added last year to the BMRS. Due to a number of large of changes to the BMRS at that time, an interim solution was implemented to incorporate the data from the new interconnectors on the BMRS, with a view to implement the full solution within a year.
- 3.3 The North Sea Link (NSL) Interconnector is currently under construction and due to be commissioned in 2021. The BSC Section Q arrangements require a separate 'Fuel Type Category' to be defined for each interconnector.
- 3.4 An ISG Member questioned whether either of the interconnectors would be live before the implementation date of the new fuel type categories in November 2020. Elexon stated IFA2 is estimated to go live in September 2020 so we will see metered volumes before full solution is implemented on BMRS. Elexon advised the NSL and Eleclink is currently expected in the second half of 2021.
- 3.5 The ISG:
- a) **NOTED** a proposed implementation date of 5 November 2020 as part of the November 2020 BSC Release;
 - b) **NOTED** the proposed progression timetable for this Change Proposal; and
 - c) **PROVIDED** any comments or additional questions for inclusion in the CP Consultation.

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OPEN SESSION - TABLED ITEMS

4. BSC Operations Headline Report

- 4.1 The BSC Operations Headline Report provides an overview of the operations of the BSC for February and March.
- 4.2 The ISG:
 - a) **NOTED** the report.

5. Change Report

- 5.1 This report presents a comprehensive monthly overview of the changes in the BSC Change Process.
- 5.2 The ISG:
 - a) **NOTED** the report.

6. SPAR Report

- 6.1 The System Prices Analysis Report (SPAR) provides a monthly update on price calculations. It is published by the Elexon Market Analysis Team on the Elexon Website ahead of the monthly ISG meeting.
- 6.2 The ISG:
 - a) **NOTED** the report.

OTHER BUSINESS

7. Panel Update

- 7.1 [BSC Modification P332 'Revisions to the Supplier Hub Principle'](#) has been pushed back by three months due to the impact concerning COVID-19.
- 7.2 The next Workgroup for [BSC Modification P399 'BSAD Identity Visibility'](#) is scheduled for 17 July 2020.
- 7.3 [BSC Modification P398 'Increasing access to BSC Data'](#) has been delayed.
- 7.4 The first Issue Meeting for [Issue 90](#) is due to be held on 13 July 2020.
- 7.5 [BSC Modification P409 'Aligning BMRS Reporting Requirements with the Clean Energy Package'](#) was approved by the BSC Panel for implementation in November 2020.
- 7.6 [BSC Modification P410 'Changing imbalance price calculations to comply with the Imbalance Settlement Harmonisation regulations'](#) is looking to arrange the first Workgroup on 6 August 2020.

8. Actions

- 8.1 The ISG noted the update on Actions.

9. Minutes from previous meeting

- 9.1 The ISG agreed the minutes from the previous meeting without comment.

10. Areas of Other Business

- 10.1 The ISG Chair noted the Metering Dispensation that was due for ISG231. The paper was pulled due to delays due to the impacts of COVID-19. The ISG Chair noted the paper may be raised as Ex-Committee.