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MEETING NAME	Imbalance Settlement Group
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Meeting number	233
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Date of meeting	Tuesday 1 September 2020
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Venue	Elxon Ltd. (via Teleconference)
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Classification	Public
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ATTENDEES AND APOLOGIES

Attendees	Iain Nicoll	IN	ISG Chair (via Teleconference)
	Angus Fairbairn	AF	ISG Technical Secretary (via Teleconference)
	Lisa Waters	LW	Panel Sponsor (via Teleconference)
	Peter Berry	PB	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Jamie Webb	KB	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Aaron Seamer	AS	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Dennis Timmins	DeT	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Andrew Colley	AC	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Oliver Xing	OX	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Phil Hewitt	PH	ISG Member (via Teleconference)
	Emma Burns	EB	ISG Member (via Teleconference)

Apologies

OPEN SESSION – DECISION PAPERS

1. MIDS Review 2020 – (233/01)

- 1.1 The Market Index Definition Statement (MIDS) defines the way the Market Index Price (MIP) is calculated. On behalf of the Panel, we review the MIDS annually, as required by the Balancing Settlement Code (BSC). Our analysis shows that the current Individual Liquidity Threshold (ILT), timeband weightings and product weightings remain suitable for 2020/21.
- 1.2 The paper discusses [BSC Modification P410 'Changing imbalance price calculations to comply with the Imbalance Settlement Harmonisation regulations'](#). The Modification proposes implementing Value of Avoided Actions (VOAA) Replacement Price instead of the MIP, in order to comply with the European Imbalance Settlement Harmonisation regulations. An ISG Member proposed Elxon gathering feedback from industry on the balancing products that should be included in the VOAA within the MIP consultation. This feedback could inform the Work Groups of BSC Modification P410. Elxon took an action to add this field to the consultation paper.
- 1.3 The ISG discussed consulting on the MIDS Review less frequently as no responses have been received for the past two reviews. Elxon stated the MIDS Review and the review requirements will be assessed as part of [BSC Modification P410 'Changing imbalance price calculations to comply with the Imbalance Settlement Harmonisation regulations'](#).

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1.4 The Panel Sponsor raised an issue with changes currently being implemented or developed by industry that have come about through European legislation and whether these changes need to be done if the United Kingdom won't be eligible to participate in them when we leave the European Union. It was not clear what are the consequences would be if we do not continue working on them prior to exit. ISG agreed that clarity was required and that this would need the Panel to write to Ofgem. This will be raised at the next Panel meeting.

1.5 The ISG:

- a) **NOTED** the analysis presented in this paper;
- b) **APPROVED** the consultation questions provided in Attachment A of this paper, suggest any additional questions; and
- c) **COMMENTED** on the analysis in this paper which we will present in our industry consultation.

2. Metering Dispensation D/506 – Deeside Power Station – (233/02)

2.1 Deeside Power (UK) Ltd has applied for a lifetime Metering Dispensation (D/506) against Code of Practice 1 for the Metering Equipment associated with Deeside Power Station. The Metering Equipment is fully compliant with Code of Practice 1 apart from its location. The Actual Metering Point is 113m away from the Defined Metering Point. The electrical losses are minimal and the applicant does not propose to compensate the Metering System for them. We invite the ISG to approve D/506 on a lifetime basis.

2.2 An ISG member asked why the plant could no longer generate. The ISG Committee noted the plant had been replaced and the generator no longer existed at the site.

2.3 The ISG:

- a) **APPROVED** Metering Dispensation D/506, for Deeside Power Station, on a lifetime basis.

3. Configurable Items for the November 2020 Release – (233/04)

3.1 This paper invites the ISG to approve the changes to BSC Configurable Items as part of the November 2020 Release.

3.2 The ISG:

- d) **APPROVED** the changes to SAA URS and NETA IDD Part 2 Document for the November 2020 BSC Release.

OPEN SESSION - TABLED ITEMS

4. ISG and SVG Meeting Dates 2021

4.1 The ISG were invited to note the ISG and SVG meeting dates for 2021. We propose that both meetings are again held on the same day in order to improve operational efficiency.

4.2 The ISG:

- a) **NOTED** the SVG and ISG meeting dates for 2021.

5. GC/DC Limits Review Update

5.1 The ISG were invited to note the update on the annual review of the GC/DC Limits.

5.2 The ISG:

- a) **NOTED** the update.

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6. BSC Operations Headline Report

- 6.1 The BSC Operations Headline Report provides an overview of the operations of the BSC for February and March.
- 6.2 The ISG:
 - b) **NOTED** the report.

7. Change Report

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

8. SPAR Report

- 8.1 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.
- 8.2 The ISG:
 - a) **NOTED** the report.

OTHER BUSINESS

9. Panel Update

- 9.1 Elexon provided information on the recent cyber-attack experienced at the company. Although the slides were confidential, the Panel Member urged customers who wanted information to contact [Angela Love](#) who is happy to help.
- 9.2 [BSC Modification P375 'Metering Behind the Boundary Point'](#) consultation closes on 14 September 2020.
- 9.3 The next Work Group for [BSC Modification P399 'BSAD Identity Visibility'](#) is due to meet on 20 September 2020 despite Severn Power, the proposer, entering administration.
- 9.4 The Business Requirements [P376 'Utilising a Baselining Methodology to set Physical Notifications'](#) for have been finalised. It has been extended until November 2020.
- 9.5 A three month extension has been given to [P402 'Enabling reform of residual network charging as directed by the Targeted Charging Review'](#).
- 9.6 An update was given on [Issue 90 'Could Elexon \(under BSCco\) administrate a tendered Market Maker \(tMM\)?'](#).

10. Actions

- 10.1 The ISG noted the update on Actions.

11. Minutes from previous meeting

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

12. Areas of Other Business

- 12.1 There were no comments on other business.