
Headline Report

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Synopsis **This report sets out the headlines and key decisions taken at the August 2021 meeting of the Imbalance Settlement Group.**

OPEN SESSION - Decision Papers

1. **Non-Standard BM Unit application for Killingholme (ISG244/03)**

1.1 Uniper UK Limited has applied for four Non-Standard BM Units for the Killingholme Power Station. We invite the ISG to approve the application, subject to the Lead Party for T_KILLPG-1 and T_KILLSC-1 being the same BSC Party and the Lead Party for T_KILLPG-2 and T_KILLSC-2 being the same BSC Party.

1.2 The ISG:

- a) **APPROVED** four Non-Standard BM Units for Killingholme PS, subject to the Lead Party for T_KILLPG-1 and T_KILLSC-1 being the same BSC Party and the Lead Party for T_KILLPG-2 and T_KILLSC-2 being the same BSC Party.

2. **Approval of P399 Configurable Item Changes for the November 2021 BSC Release (ISG244/04)**

2.1 This paper invites the ISG to approve the changes to BSC Configurable Items amended for P399 as part of the November 2021 BSC Release.

2.2 The ISG:

- a) **APPROVED** the amendments made to the Configurable Items to reflect the P399 solution, to be implemented on 4 November 2021 as part of the November 2021 BSC Release.

3. **CP1544 'Category A BSC Signatory or Company Director sign-off required for any EFR plan following escalation' (ISG244/01)**

3.1 This document is the Change Proposal (CP) Assessment Report for CP1544 which Elexon will present to the PAB at its meeting on 29 July 2021 and the ISG and SVG at their respective meetings on 3 August 2021.

3.2 At the direction of the PAB, Elexon undertook a project to review the Performance Assurance Framework (PAF) established under the BSC. One of the recommendations of the PAF review project sought to increase senior level engagement with Error and Failure Resolution (EFR) plans in order that issues are resolved more quickly, thus limiting their material impact on Settlement. Specifically it was noted that many EFR plans are repeatedly escalated to the PAB where the Performance Assurance Party (PAP) has failed to meet one or more of the milestones within their EFR plan. Each time a PAP is escalated they are required to update their EFR plan and complete any actions requested by the PAB. In order to increase the likelihood that once an EFR plan is escalated it is resolved promptly, the PAF review project recommended that a CP be raised.

3.3 The ISG:

- a) **AGREED** the amendments to the proposed redlining for BSCP538 for CP1544 made following the CP Consultation;
- b) **APPROVED** that CP1544 be sent for a second Industry Consultation; and
- c) **NOTED** that CP1544 was presented for decision to the:
 - PAB on 29 July 2021; and
 - SVG on 3 August 2021.

4. CP1545 'Introducing Technical Assurance of Metering (TAM) Central Volume Allocation (CVA) Specific Sample audits' (ISG244/02)

- 4.1 This document is the Change Proposal (CP) Assessment Report for CP1545 which Elexon will present to the SVG at its meeting on 3 August 2021 and the ISG at its meeting on 3 August 2021.
- 4.2 Elexon is currently only able to conduct Specific Sample Audits on Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) sites, which limits our ability to assure the integrity of Settlement across Central Volume Allocation (CVA) sites.
- 4.3 The Technical Assurance of Metering (TAM) Performance Assurance Technique (PAT) monitors compliance of Metering Systems against requirements in the BSC and its subsidiary documents. It comprises of a combination of on-site Inspection Visits and remote Desktop Audits, on Half Hourly (HH) SVA and CVA Metering Systems.
- 4.4 The Performance Assurance Board (PAB) have the option to request a Specific Sample through the TAM, which focuses on an area of perceived risk to Settlement. However, we are currently only able to undertake a Specific Sample on SVA Metering Systems, which limits our ability to provide targeted Assurance on CVA Metering Systems.
- 4.5 The ISG:
 - a) **APPROVED** the proposed changes to BSCP27 for CP1545;
 - b) **APPROVED** CP1545 for implementation on 4 November 2021 as part of the November 2021 Release; and
 - c) **NOTED** that CP1545 was presented for decision to the SVG on 3 August 2021.

5. Metering Dispensation D/522 - Carland Cross Wind Farm Solar PV (ISG244/05)

- 5.1 Scottish Power Renewables has applied for a lifetime Metering Dispensation (D/522), from Code of Practice (CoP) 2. The application relates to the location of the Metering Equipment associated with proposed new Solar PV at the existing Carland Cross Wind Farm (WF). Carland Cross WF is metered to CoP2 standards at the Defined Metering Point (DMP) and the Carland Cross Solar PV will be metered to CoP2 standards (excluding the CTs which are of class 0.5S as opposed to 0.2S) 30m below the DMP. The Registrant considers the electrical losses as negligible and does not propose to compensate for them. The Registrant of the Carland Cross WF Metering System will put in place a difference metering arrangement to determine the Metered Volumes for Carland Cross WF separately from the Metered Volumes for the Carland Cross Solar PV.
- 5.2 The ISG:
 - a) **DEFERRED** Metering Dispensation D/522, for the Carland Cross Solar PV Metering System, on a lifetime basis.

6. Metering Dispensation D/521 - Coldham Wind Farm Solar PV (ISG244/06)

- 6.1 Scottish Power Renewables has applied for a lifetime Metering Dispensation (D/521), from Code of Practice (CoP) 2. The application relates to the location of the Metering Equipment associated with proposed new Solar PV at the existing Coldham Wind Farm (WF). Coldham WF is metered to CoP2 standards at the Defined Metering Point (DMP) and the Coldham Solar PV will be metered to CoP2 standards, 30m below the DMP. The Registrant considers the electrical losses as negligible and does not propose to compensate for them. The Registrant of the Coldham WF Metering System will put in place a difference metering arrangement to determine the Metered Volumes for Coldham WF separately from the Metered Volumes for the Coldham Solar PV.
- 6.2 The ISG:
 - a) **APPROVED** Metering Dispensation D/521, for the Coldham Solar PV Metering System, on a lifetime basis.

7. Metering Dispensation D/523 - Aikengall II Wind Farm (ISG244/08)

- 7.1 In December 2019, the ISG (ISG224/01) approved two lifetime Metering Dispensations (D/498 and D/499) from Code of Practice (CoP) 1 for the location of the Metering Equipment associated with the Aikengall II and Aikengall IIa Wind Farms (WFs). The Actual Metering Points (AMPs) for both WFs are to be 20m below the Defined Metering Point (DMP) and metered to CoP1 standards. Due to a fault identified with one set of current transformers (CTs) at the new AMP for the Aikengall II WF, the Registrant of the Aikengall II WF Metering System (Aikengall II Community Wind Company Ltd) has connected the main and check Meters to the same set of working CTs so it can continue generating. This is non-compliant with CoP1 under the approved Metering Dispensation (D/498), but does comply with, and exceeds, the minimum requirements of CoP2 (apart from location). Aikengall II Community Wind Company Ltd has therefore requested for a temporary Metering Dispensation (D/523), from CoP1, to meter to CoP2 standards at the AMP, for a period of four months. This is until the Registrant can replace the faulty CTs and achieve CoP1 compliance, at the new AMP, under D/498.
- 7.2 The ISG:
- a) **APPROVED** Metering Dispensation D/523, for the Aikengall II Wind Farm Metering System, on a six-month basis, until 3 February 2022.