
Headline Report

Meeting name **Imbalance Settlement Group**

Purpose of paper **Information**

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Date and time **2 March 2021, 14.00**

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

OPEN SESSION - Decision Papers

1. **LLF Audit Results (ISG239/01)**

- 1.1 This paper reports the results of Elexon's annual audit of Line Loss Factor (LLF) values for the 2021/22 BSC Year, performed in accordance with BSCP128. We invite the Imbalance Settlement Group (ISG) to approve the Central Volume Allocation (CVA) LLF values for all of the Licensed Distribution System Operators (LDSOs). Elexon will present the Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) LLF values to the Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG) for approval on 2 March 2021.

The ISG:

- a) **NOTED** that all CVA non-compliances have been resolved;
- b) **APPROVED** the CVA LLFs for use in Settlement from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022; and
- c) **NOTED** that we will seek the SVG's approval of the SVA LLFs at its meeting on 2 March 2021.

2. **Metering Dispensation D/517 - New Cross TBM Supplies Dispensation (ISG239/02)**

- 2.1 Engie Power Ltd has applied for a temporary Metering Dispensation (D/517), against Code of Practice (CoP) 4. This is for the Metering Equipment that will measure the supplies for the New Cross Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM). CoP4 requires the Calibration Certificates for the current transformers (CTs) and voltage transformers (VTs), produced after 6 November 2008, to have statements of measurement uncertainty on them. The Calibration Certificates for the CTs and VT for the TBM supplies do not have statements of measurement uncertainty on them. We invite the ISG to approve D/517 on a temporary basis until 31 December 2025.

- 2.2 Revised recommendations were presented to the ISG.

The ISG:

- a) **APPROVED** Metering Dispensation D/517, on a temporary basis until 31 December 2025, for the VT Calibration Certificate for the New Cross Tunnel Boring Machine supplies not having measurement uncertainty evaluations related to the accuracy test results;
- b) **NOTED** we presented a similar decision paper to the Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG) at its meeting on 2 March 2021 and recommended the same revised recommendation above; and
- c) **NOTED** the SVG approved Metering Dispensation D/517, on a temporary basis until 31 December 2025, for the VT Calibration Certificate for the New Cross Tunnel Boring Machine supplies not having measurement uncertainty evaluations related to the accuracy test results.

3. Metering Dispensation D/515 - Ffestiniog Power Station (ISG239/03)

- 3.1 First Hydro Company has applied for a lifetime Metering Dispensation (D/515), against Code of Practice (CoP) 1, with some temporary aspects, for the Metering Equipment associated with Ffestiniog (Pumped Storage) Power Station. We invite the ISG to approve D/515 on a temporary basis until 31 December 2025.

The ISG:

- a) **APPROVED** Metering Dispensation D/515, for Ffestiniog (Pumped Storage) Power Station, on a temporary basis until 31 December 2025.

4. CP1540 'Strengthening the Qualification - Change of Ownership Process' (ISG239/04)

- 4.1 This document provides information on new Change Proposal (CP) CP1540 and outlines our proposed progression timetable for this change, including when it will be issued for CP Consultation in the next suitable Change Proposal Circular (CPC) batch.
- 4.2 Footnote 22 of Balancing and Settlement Code Procedure (BSCP) 537 'Qualification Process for Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) Parties, SVA Party Agents and Central Volume Allocation (CVA) Meter Operators' states that the change of ownership process relates to "change of assets including but not limited to a change in the legal entity and/or transfer of assets to another." The intended purpose of the footnote was to allow for internal restructuring within a company group. The footnote implies that a transfer of Qualification status would be valid with the transfer of any asset, which is not the case, and the PAB would not accept transfer of Qualification status in these circumstances. The PAB has requested this CP be raised to make clear the type of change of ownership that would allow the transfer of Qualification status.

The ISG:

- a) **NOTED** that CP1540 has been raised;
- b) **NOTED** the proposed progression timetable for CP1540; and
- c) **PROVIDED** any comments or additional questions for inclusion in the CP Consultation.
- d) **NOTED** that CP1540 was presented to:
- the PAB on 25 Feb 2021; and
 - the SVG on 2 Mar 2021.