

Minutes

Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG)

Meeting number **239**

Venue **Elexon/Teams**

Date of meeting **05 January 2021**

Classification **Public**

Attendees and apologies

Attendees

Oliver Meggitt	OLM	SVG Chair
Sarah Ross	SAR	SVG Vice Chair
Freya Gardner	FRG	Elexon, presenter
Adam Jessop	ADJ	Elexon, presenter
Kevin Spencer	KES	Elexon, observer
Craig Murray	CRM	Elexon, presenter
Andy Ferreira	ANF	Elexon, presenter
David Thomas	DAT	Elexon, observer
Nick Baker	NIB	Elexon, presenter
Hanna Pain	HAP	Elexon, presenter
James Evans		SVG Member
Ian Hall		SVG Member
Gareth Evans		SVG Member
Derek Weaving		SVG Member
Paul Hart		Distribution System Operators Representative
Jonathan Priestley		SVG Member
Phil Russel		SVG Member
Tom Chevalier		UMSUG member
Tom Edwards		Panel Sponsor
Terry Carr		SVG Member

Apologies

Peter Stanley		Elexon
Jono Liddell		SVG Member
Jamie Greening		SVG Member
Simon Yeo		SVG Member
Paul Carman		SVG Member

OPEN SESSION – DECISION PAPERS

1. MDD Change Requests for Version 306 (SVG239/01)

- 1.1 This paper invites the SVG to approve eight General Change Requests, and note 16 Fast Track Change Requests, for implementation in Version 306 of Market Domain Data (MDD) with a go-live date of 20 January 2021.
- 1.2 Elexon received Market Participant Impact Assessment (MPIA) Comments for CRM3706, CRM3709 and CRM3710, the Market Participant concerns were highlighted in the paper and revised versions submitted for approval where appropriate.
- 1.3 For CRM3710 an MPIA comment was received that Profile Classes 5-8 for import metering should not be entered into MDD as these should have been migrated to Half Hourly Settlement. The full applicant response is detailed in the paper but requested that this information is retained in the Change Request as additional LLFCs are required to allow IDNO to identify location.
- 1.4 An SVG Member noted the MPIA comment but stated that CRM3710 should be approved as other data has not been restricted in the past. Another SVG member agreed with this.
- 1.5 Elexon raised that there is an action from Code Change and Development Group (CCDG) to remove redundant SSCs from MDD.
Action 239/01 SVG requested more details on the scope from CCDG on what data is proposed to be removed.
- 1.6 The DNO representative noted that the data in CRM3710 is essential for the applicant to retain the existing switching arrangements.
- 1.7 An SVG member clarified that Profile Classes 5-8 still exist, and therefore supported the applicant and that CRM3710 should be approved. The SVG Chair clarified the difference between the licence obligations and in the BSC restrictions and that Profile Classes 5-8 sites are permitted in the BSC.
- 1.8 The SVG:
 - a) **APPROVED** eight General Change Requests for implementation in MDD 306 with a go-live date of 20 January 2021;
 - b) **NOTED** 16 Fast Track Change Requests for implementation in MDD 306 with a go-live date of 20 January 2021; and
 - c) **NOTED** the Market Participant Impact Assessment comments for CR M3706, M3709 and M3710.

2. Approval of Telematics BrightCity Central Management System (SVG239/02)

- 2.1 The Unmetered Supplies User Group (UMSUG) recommends that the SVG approve the BrightCity Central Management System (CMS) for use in Settlement.
- 2.2 The SVG:
 - a) **APPROVED** the BrightCity CMS Version 1.50 for use in Settlement; and
 - b) **NOTED** that we will update the CMS webpage with details of the approved CMS.

OPEN SESSION – INFORMATION PAPERS

3. Conversion of Existing Metered Openreach Cabinets to Unmetered (SVG239/03)

- 3.1 This paper provides an update from Elexon to the SVG on BT's request to reverse a previous SVG ruling that states existing Openreach metered cabinets must remain metered.
- 3.2 An SVG member queried whether the discussion should be in Open session. The SVG Chair clarified that they wished the paper to be discussed in Open session so that the conversations are transparent, but would be happy to also include a Confidential session so all queries can be addressed.
- 3.3 An SVG Member raised an issue with point 2.6 in the paper. The SVG Member stated that Elexon had come up with an approach that does not prevent a conversion to UMS. The SVG Member noted that there are approximately 40,000 meters at point of connection. Elexon stated that this doesn't prevent the connection being Unmetered. The SVG Member was struggling with this interpretation and the principle of leaving the ultimate decision with LDSOs.

- 3.4 Elxon clarified that if a Meter is disconnected and is no longer registered, then it is by definition no longer an SVA Metering system.
- 3.5 An SVG Member said this ruling is long established and large scale which raises concerns over the conversion process. Another SVG member agreed.
- 3.6 An SVG Member noted that they felt this approach set a precedent and that it may permit new, unexpected, business opportunities as a consequence. They added that the SVG may see an increase in the number of metering points moving from metered to unmetered in the future as a result.
- 3.7 An SVG Member questioned what impact and scale would be eligible under this approach. Another SVG Member said any cabinet may follow suit, which may total hundreds of thousands of cabinets. An SVG Member questioned what the risk to Settlement would be of the proposed change. Elxon clarified that they would not have visibility of the potential risk. Elxon clarified that some cabinets have already applied for UMS Charge Codes and are connected Unmetered; the Openreach decision in the past was exclusive to this applicant.
- 3.8 The SVG:
- NOTED** the update from Elxon.

OPEN SESSION - Verbal Updates

4. P375 Update

- 4.1 Elxon noted that the Code Subsidiary Documents for Modification P375 '[Metering behind the Boundary Point](#)' will be taken to the BSC Panel for approval in May 2021 rather than Committees for efficiency purposes, as noted by the Panel at its meeting on 10 December 2021.
- 4.2 The SVG:
- NOTED** the update from Elxon.

Tabled Items

5. BSC Operations Headline Report

6. Change Report

Other Items

7. Actions

OPEN SESSION – OTHER BUSINESS

8. Panel Update

- 8.1 The Panel Sponsor encouraged members to read the Elxon budget for 2021 including investment into Settlement systems.

9. Minutes from previous meeting

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

10. Any Other Business

- 10.1 Elxon provided an update on the Customer Solution/Kinnect and will continue to provide updates to the SVG with future progression.
- 10.2 An SVG Member stated that Issue 88 and the netting of a single complex site is netting HH Site has raised a number of concerns. Another SVG member also raised significant concerns and the SVG members agreed that a further discussion is required. Another SVG member noted a potential discriminatory action in allowing one set of Agents to do something that no other Party knew about.

Action 239/05 Elexon to provide update to recap on email sent for Issue 88 and for SVG Chair to share email in question.

10.3 An SVG member requested an update on the 1 April deadline for 100kW UMS.

Action 239/06 Elexon to provide an update on the progress made towards deadline for 100kW UMS.

10.4 An SVG member has suggested an approach to Elexon to address issues discussed previously to facilitate exempt supply. The SVG member has engaged with Elexon on what is and what is not an exempt supply and how it should be levied.

10.5 Elexon noted that Central System testing work for TCR is underway and will continue until the end of March 2021. Industry testing will be 10 to 23 February 2021.

10.6 Elexon noted that they held an informal workshop to provide guidance and support for IDNOs on 14 December 2020.

11. Next meeting

11.1 The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 2 February 2021.