

Minutes

Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG)

Meeting number **247**

Venue **Elexon/Teams**

Date of meeting **7 September 2021 09:30**

Classification **Public**

Attendees and apologies

Attendees

Victoria Moxham	VIM	Vice Chair
Oliver Meggitt	OLM	Chair
Paige Binet	PAB	Technical Secretary
Jenny Sarsfield	JES	Elexon, presenter
Andrew Grace	ANG	Elexon, presenter
Sedif Kiris	SEK	Elexon, presenter
Christopher Day	CHD	Elexon, presenter
Gareth Evans	GAE	SVG Member
Jonathan Priestley	JOP	SVG Member
John Jones	JOJ	SVG Member
Lee Stone	LES	SVG Member
Ian Hall	IAH	SVG Member
Phil Russell	PHR	SVG Member
Vijay Chikoti	VIC	SVG Member
James Evans	JAE	SVG Member
Tom Edwards	TOE	Panel Sponsor
Simon Yeo	SIY	Distribution System Operators Representative (alternate)
Iain Hall	IAH	SVG Member
Steven Bradford	STB	SVG Member

Apologies

Kevin Woollard	KEW	SVG Member (alternate)
John Liddell	JOL	SVG Member
Paul Hart	PAH	Distribution System Operators Representative

OPEN SESSION – DECISION PAPER

1. CP1547 ‘Clarification on the Site Specific Line Loss Factor Calculation Process for Embedded Licensed Distribution System Operators’ Assessment Report – (SVG247/03)

1.1 No comments from the SVG Committee.

The SVG:

- a) **APPROVED** the proposed changes to BSCP128 for CP1547
- b) **APPROVED** CP1547 for implementation on 4 November 2021 as part of the standard November 2021 BSC Release; and
- c) **NOTED** that CP1547 would also be presented for decision to the ISG on 7 September 2021.

2. **CP1543 'Use of DTC dataflow D0051 in the Half Hourly sector' Assessment Report – (SVG247/04)**

- 2.1 An SVG Member questioned the need for a D0051 dataflow and asked why can't it be removed entirely. An SVG Member shared the same query and agreed that the D0051 it doesn't serve any purpose.

The SVG:

- a) **REJECTED** the amendments to the proposed redlining for BSCP502 for CP1543 made following the CP Consultation; and
- b) **REJECTED** that CP1543 be re-published for a second industry consultation phase due to material changes to the solution following the first industry consultation phase.

3. **CP1546 Update – (247/Verbal Update)**

- 3.1 Elexon shared an early update on CP1546. The Assessment Report was originally scheduled to be presented at the September 2021 SVG meeting but had been delayed due to a high number of consultation responses querying the legal redlining. This will now be presented at the October 2021 SVG meeting. Elexon also noted that all respondents supported the CP and that the majority of parties requested moving the implementation date to June 2022.

3.2 The SVG:

- a) **NOTED** the Update.

4. **MDD Change Requests for Version 315 & 316 - (SVG247/01)**

- 4.1 An SVG Member queried the proposed date (October 21) and questioned the logic behind this early date. A second SVG Member explained that this is due to the requirement for Line Loss Factor Classes (LLFCs) to be live before the DUoS Tariffs go live in April.
- 4.2 An SVG Member suggested that if DUoS Tariffs are not effective until 1 April 2022, why do the Line Loss Factor Classes (LLFCs) need to be effective before this date? Elexon explained that LLFCs are used for different MPANs and this means that they have to be assigned prior to 1 April 2022. Elexon had stated in the Futures Forum plan that because of the charging, we should see all MDD updates done by October.
- 4.3 An SVG Member asked if Elexon could go back and check why the paper is suggesting otherwise and that there will be more MDD in November.

ACTION 247/46 - Elexon to investigate correct ending of MDD months.

The SVG:

- a) **APPROVED** nine General BAU Change Requests for implementation in MDD 315 with a go-live date of 22 September 2021;
- b) **NOTED** 19 Fast Track Change Requests for implementation in MDD 315 with a go-live date of 22 September 2021; and
- c) **APPROVED** six General TCR Change Requests for implementation in MDD 316 with a go-live date of 20 October 2021.

5. **LLF Methodology Audit Report 2022/23 – (SVG247/02)**

- 5.1 No comments from the SVG Committee.

The SVG:

- a) **APPROVED** the six Host LDSOs' methodologies, noting the changes made to all six from last year;
- b) **APPROVED** additional 4 IDNO methodologies, who wish to calculate their own Site Specifics once they obtain sufficient consumption data;
- c) **NOTED** all Embedded LDSOs' intention to Mirror the Host LDSOs' LLFs for the time being; and
- d) **NOTED** that the Host LDSO methodologies will be presented to the ISG at its 7 September 2021 meeting.

OPEN SESSION INFORMATION PAPERS

6. Protocol Approval ASLH Various Outstations – (SVG247/06)

- 6.1 Elexon stated that as ASLH are outsourcing their data retrieval and data collection activity to TMA they did not need to go through the witness testing stage of the Protocol Approval Process to be issued with Protocol Approval Certificates. The certificates were issued on the basis that TMA had already undergone full Protocol Approval against their MDR Data Retrieval system.
- 6.2 An SVG Member questioned why ASLH needed to go through Protocol Approval at all as previous Data Collectors (DCs) that had outsourced activity to TMA had not. Elexon explained that ASLH were operating under their own MPID which was a different business model to other DCs that use TMA as a third party service provider (these providers operate under the TMA MPID).

The SVG:

- a) **NOTED** that Elexon issued ASL Holdings Ltd (ASLH), a Half Hourly Data Collector, with Certificates of Protocol Approval for the various Outstation types;
- b) **NOTED** that Elexon updated the 'CoP Compliance and Protocol Approval' list to include these protocol approvals, under the name of ASL Holdings Ltd; and
- c) **NOTED** that Elexon issued a Newscast article notifying BSC Parties and BSC Party Agents of the protocol approvals.

7. Update On The Exempt Application Issues – (SVG247/05)

- 7.1 The SVG Panel sponsor relayed back to the SVG Committee that the BSC Panel did understand how much of a problem this issue with Exempt Applications had been. The Panel Sponsor noted that the BSC Panel had also been informed that Elexon had already received some further Applications and been notified of interest of more Applications planned. Elexon stated to the SVG that there had been five more Applications since the last meeting. Elexon explained that the update proposed to the next BSC Panel meeting outlined the steps to be taken to address the concerns raised by the SVG previously. The steps outlined were met with broad agreement from the SVG members. Elexon also noted that an Issue Group had been raised to look at the enduring solution to applications. The Panel Sponsor noted that one idea which had been considered (but was not proposed to be taken forward unless the SVG could not agree on the steps to be taken) was to form a new sub-committee to take over responsibly of the Application process.

The SVG:

- a) **NOTED** that Elexon will seek agreement from the BSC Panel for applications for Exempt Supply to include actual data in a standardised spreadsheet format, with conformation provided by the Licensed Supplier that this data is sourced from the appointed HHDC(s) (section 2.1);
- b) **NOTED** that Elexon will seek agreement from the BSC Panel that Elexon should clearly explain what analysis they have done on the data provided in each application and ensure data is collated on one spreadsheet (section 2.3);
- c) **NOTED** that Elexon will seek agreement from the BSC Panel for the director's declaration to include confirmation that any material changes to the sites provided in the application will be notified to Elexon as soon as reasonably practicable and Elexon will inform EMRS (section 3.2);
- d) **NOTED** the that Issue 96 had been raised to develop the enduring solutions for exempt supply (section 4.3); and

- e) **NOTED** that Elexon will seek agreement from the BSC Panel that SVG should resume processing applications that meet the above criteria from October.

8. SVG 2022 Meeting Dates — (SVG247/07)

- 8.1 No comments from the SVG Committee.

The SVG:

- a) **NOTED** the paper.

OPEN SESSION – OTHER BUSINESS

9. ADR Risk Update

- 9.1 The ADR update was noted.

10. Actions

- 10.1 The Action Update was noted.

11. Panel Update

- 11.1 The Panel update was noted.

12. Minutes from previous meeting

- 12.1 The SVG agreed the minutes from the previous meeting.

13. Any Other Business

- 13.1 The Chair noted that Elexon's offices were now fully open, and asked SVG Members for their preferences on holding future meetings remotely or in person. It was agreed that the majority of meetings would continue to be held remotely, and that the Committee would aim to meet in person up to three times per year. The Chair would aim to hold the first face to face meeting in December.
- 13.2 Elexon provided an update on the CVA risk approach. Elexon shared with the SVG Committee that it was holding workshops with interested PAB members, and at the first workshop had also invited attendance from the central system service providers (CGI and IMServ). Further to this, Elexon explained that it had agreed the invitation to attend future workshops would be extended to SVG Members, dependant on the agendas. These workshops would take place every two months, with the next meeting being scheduled for October.
- 13.3 A SVG Member requested an update on paying for the teleswitching system. The Member wanted to know if a clear time frame of when this service would cease had been confirmed. The Member also asked if there will be any greater costs likely in future due to upgrades.

ACTION 247/47 – Elexon to give a Verbal Update on tele switching payments.

- 13.4 Elexon has previously shared a paper on LLF (Line Loss Factors) to the SVG Committee; an SVG Member requested an update on this piece of work.

ACTION 247/48 – Elexon to give a Verbal Update on the LLF (Line Loss Factors) process.

14. Next meeting

- 14.1 The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 5 October 2021.