



5 September 2008

Geoff Hatherick
Energy Markets Unit
Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform,
Bay 146, 1 Victoria Street,
London SW1H 0ET

Dear Geoff,

ELEXON Response to 'A consultation on a draft licence modification for provision of advanced metering for larger business sites'.

This is the response of ELEXON Limited to the consultation issued by BERR on 22 July 2008 on its draft licence modification for provision of advanced metering for larger business sites.

ELEXON is the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) Company for Great Britain. Its role is to ensure the proper, effective and efficient implementation of the BSC, which is established under the electricity System Operator's transmission licence for the purposes of electricity balancing and settlement. To enable the settlement process, the BSC contains requirements for the submission of electricity metering data, and the Central Systems which ELEXON manages receive and process this information.

ELEXON has no further comments to make on the draft licence modification, beyond those included in our response to the BERR Consultation on Energy Billing and Metering on 29 October 2007 (enclosed).

We note that in the enclosed 'Summary: Analysis & Evidence' that Ofgem is charged with enforcing the policy. We would like to understand what the expectation is in terms of the monitoring and reporting of the roll-out of advanced metering for larger business sites. In particular, if there is an expectation that ELEXON will provide information in support of such monitoring, we will need to be aware of your and/or Ofgem's requirements, as this type of information is not currently available to ELEXON. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further with yourselves and/or Ofgem.

As you will be aware, ELEXON was asked at the Ofgem Interoperability Workshop on 1st September to lead to an exercise on interoperability (open systems) under the BSC and a review of the governance arrangements with respect to advanced metering for the Profile Class 5 to 8 market sector in the widest sense.

If you would like any further information, in the first instance please contact Peter Davies (020 7380 4036) or Jon Spence (020 7380 4313).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Stuart Senior". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stuart Senior
Chief Executive

List of Enclosures

ELEXON Response to BERR Consultation on Energy Billing and Metering (29 October 2007).