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Coming up this week

20 January

[Joint European Standing Group \(JESG\)](#) at **10.00**

21 January

[Technical Assurance of Metering Group \(TAMEG\) 21](#) at **10.00**

22 January

[Balancing Settlement Code \(BSC\) Panel 233](#) at **10.00**

Invitation to review SVAA software documents for CP1418

The Release team has invited Industry responses to the SVAA software documents amended for the February 2015 release. These documents relate to the proposed changes for the approved CP1418 'Validation of D0041 flows'. Please review the documents and return any comments by **17.00** on **Wednesday 21 January 2015**. The documents are available on the [February 2015 Release](#) page of the ELEXON website.

If you have any questions in relation to this request, please contact Olga Maksimenko on 020 7380 4306 or Olga.Maksimenko@elxon.co.uk.

ELEXON Business Plan: mid-year review

Mid-way through the financial year, we've summarised our progress against the strategic priorities in place for 2014/15 in the [January 2015 Business Update](#). The document details key pieces of work and significant milestones, as well as including a summary of our expenditure against budget so far for 2014/15. Now we've passed the mid-point of the budget year, we're in a position to have a critical look at our assumptions and cost estimates, particularly around the variable and demand driven elements of the 2014/15 budget. The BSCCo Board has approved the release of £2.3m from our forecast budget for the year, and we are pleased to announce that this underspend against budget will be passed directly on to BSC Parties through reduced costs for the remainder of the year.

Update on Balancing Mechanism Reporting Service upgrade for P291 and P295

On **16 December 2014**, we implemented [P295](#) (Submission and publication of Transparency regulation data via the BMRS) and on

31 December 2014 we implemented [P291](#) (REMIT Inside Information Reporting Platform for GB Electricity) on the Balancing Mechanism Reporting Service (BMRS) website. The Transparency data published on BMRS is also published on the ENTSO-E Transparency Platform, which was implemented on **4 January 2015**.

Parties are now able to publish REMIT Data on BMRS either by submitting it via National Grid or the ELEXON Portal. The user guide for REMIT on the ELEXON portal will be available later this week.

Please note that, if you publish REMIT Data on your own website and on BMRS, the timestamps will be different due to the time taken for BMRS to receive and process your submission.

The 'Transparency Data' pages publish data received from National Grid in accordance with the requirements of the BSC; we are aware that there are currently some problems with the usability of these pages and we are working to address these issues. The most significant of these problems relate to the Planned Unavailability and Actual Availability files not being displayed correctly and that users are not able to filter by BM Unit.

We thank you for your patience while we fix these problems.

If you have any questions please contact Colin Berry on 020 7380 4112, or email Colin.Berry@elxon.co.uk.

CP1426 'Receipt of the D0296 flow at II'

This is a reminder that CPC00752 was issued for consultation on **Monday 12 January 2015** with responses due back by **17.00** on **Friday 6 February 2015**.

Who will be impacted? Suppliers may be impacted by this change.

High level summary of CP1426

As part of the Electricity Market Reform (EMR) processes, Contracts for Difference (CFD) and Capacity Markets (CM) charges are due to start being levied on Suppliers at the Interim Information Volume Allocation Settlement Run (II) as of **1 April 2015**. In order to validate these charges, Suppliers will require the D0296 'Supplier BM Unit Report' data flow at the II Run. The Supplier Volume Allocation Agent (SVAA) will begin issuing this to Suppliers who request it before the charges start being levied. CP1426 seeks to align the relevant Balancing and Settlement Code Procedures (BSCPs) and formalise the process.

To support this, the SVAA shall begin issuing the D0296 data flow to any Supplier who wishes to receive this before **1 March 2015**. This will allow Suppliers to have a period of time processing this data to iron out any issues in production or receipt of the II data before the EMR processes go-live. Details of how to request the D0296 data flow at II will be circulated within the next few weeks.

How can I respond? The consultation response form and all supporting documents can be found on the [CP1426](#) and [Change Proposal Circulars](#) pages of the ELEXON website.

Please send your response entitled 'CPC00752 Consultation' to bsc.change@elxon.co.uk by **17.00** on **Friday 6 February 2015**. Please let Matthew Woolliscroft know as soon as possible if you are unable to meet this deadline.

Would you like more information? For more information on CP1426, please call Matthew Woolliscroft on 0207 380 4165 or Matthew.Woolliscroft@elxon.co.uk.

Modifications, Change and Implementation

We have updated the [Changes Awaiting Implementation](#) and the [Consolidated BSC](#) pages of our website following implementation of Modifications [P291](#) and [P311](#).

Live Consultations

P309 'Facility to enable BSC Parties to select either replacement contract notifications or additional contract notifications' - Report Phase Consultation - responses are due by **17.00 on Tuesday 3 February 2015**.

P302 'Improve the Change of Supplier Meter Read and Settlement process for Smart Meters' - second Assessment Procedure Consultation - responses are due by **17.00 on Friday 6 February 2015**.

Electricity Market Reform (EMR) update

Supplier Implementation event on Tuesday 27 January 2015

The Low Carbon Contracts Company (LCCC) and EMR Settlement (EMRS) are holding an event on **Tuesday 27 January 2015**. This event will focus on providing further detail on the invoicing and payment processes for EMR to suppliers. The [agenda](#) for this event is now available.

Who should attend this event? Licensed electricity suppliers should attend this event. We'd encourage those individuals who have been allocated responsibility to implement the processes for managing EMR payments and invoicing to attend this event. This will likely be an individual within your finance team.

When and where is this event? **Tuesday 27 January 2015** at EMRS, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW.

How do I register? Please use [this link](#) to request your place by **12.00 noon on Friday 23 January 2015** if you wish to attend.

Full details were communicated via [EMRC29](#).

Update on EMR Role Codes to be implemented into Market Domain Data (MDD)

We communicated the proposed EMR Role Codes to be implemented into MDD via [EMRC28](#) and these were approved by SVG committee on **Tuesday 6 January 2015**. These were targeting version 224 of MDD with a go-live date of **21 January 2015**.

The table below illustrates the EMR Role Codes.

Description	Role Code	Market Participant ID (MPID)
EMR Settlement Services Provider	Z	ESSP
CFD Generator	H	*
Capacity Provider	E	*

* CFD Generators and Capacity Providers who wish to receive invoice backing data over the DTS will need to register an MPID using the MDD Change Request process detailed within BSCP509.

Due to a constraint within BSC Central Services, the Market Domain Data (MDD) version 224 published on **14 January 2015** (with an Effective From Date of **21 January 2015**) does not include the reallocated **Role Codes E and H**, as per MDD Change Request M2284.

How is this being resolved? An additional version of MDD (reference MDD version 225) will be published on **21 January 2015**. This additional MDD version will be an exact copy of the MDD version 224 distributed today with the addition of the reallocated Role Codes E and H. This additional MDD version will have an Effective From Date of **28 January 2015**.

For further details this has been communicated via ELEXON Circular [EL02185](#).

Keep in touch with what's happening with EMR

Keep in touch by visiting the [EMR Settlement website](#) to view the latest news on EMR. Our [EMR Circulars](#) keep you informed of the latest changes, consultations and events. To register for EMR Circulars please subscribe to our mailing list on the homepage of the

EMRS website.

The [EMR Settlement calendar](#) is also a useful way to check what is happening as it highlights key dates such as implementation events, deadlines for consultations and workshops. If you have any questions, please email contact@emrsettlement.co.uk.

Market Domain Data Circulars 544 and 545 published

Market Domain Data is the central repository of Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) market information and is essential to the operation of the SVA trading arrangements, as it includes critical parameters such as Standard Settlement Configurations, Profile Classes and Grid Supply Point Groups.

[MDD Circular 544](#) is published on the [MDD Circulars page](#) of our website. It details the proposed changes to be included in the release of MDD Version 226, and invites market participants to perform an impact assessment on these. The deadline for comments is **17.00 on Wednesday 21 January 2015**.

There are some attachments to the circular:

- **MDD00544a**: a zip file containing the proposed changes
- **MDD00544b-MDD00544e**: supporting documentation for the Charge Code applications (M2304), which is split into four parts:
 - MDD00544b
 - MDD00544c
 - MDD00544d
 - MDD00544e

Please email your comments to mddc@elexon.co.uk by **17.00 on Wednesday 21 January 2015**.

[MDD Circular 545](#) has also been published on the website. This version of MDD will be published on **Wednesday 21 January 2015**, with a Go-Live date of **Wednesday 28 January 2015**.

ELEXON Dispute decisions

The [view of the Disputes Secretariat](#) on Trading Disputes **DA698** and **DA727** is now available on our website. If you believe you should have been notified as an affected Party, please email us at disputes@elexon.co.uk and we will take the Dispute to the Trading Disputes Committee.

Read the latest Operations Report

ELEXON BSC OPERATIONS HEADLINE REPORT

- 1** In this report you will find commentary on BSC market operation, identification of key events and reporting of key data.
- 2** The [ELEXON Operations Report](#) publishes key market data graphically, giving a performance indicator for the balancing and Settlement arrangements.
- 3** Trading Operations Report Data. The graphs and backing data are available in Excel format on the [ELEXON](#) website.

SYSTEM PRICES

In November the System Buy Price (SBP) exceeded £100/MWh in 22 Settlement Periods, in October it was 67 Settlement Periods. The SBP reached a maximum of £114/MWh in Settlement Period 35 on 3 November.

The November peak SBPs were greater than the average by 11.7%, while peak System Sell Prices (SSP) were higher than the average by 8.3%.

	Average (£/MWh)	Average (£/MWh)	Peak (£/MWh)
Nov 14	52.28	40.01	98.48
Oct 14	54.96	40.69	83.08
Sep 14	49.28	38.28	54.95
Summer 14	41.1	31.19	44.13
Spring 14	46.79	36.81	50.22
Winter 13/14	54.13	41.86	61.43
Autumn 13	57.81	44.25	64.83
Nov 13	59.21	44.91	66.47

BALANCING VOLUMES

In October 2014 gas delivered the majority of accepted Offers by volume (82.3%), followed by coal with 13.5%. The Offer volume delivered by gas in October exceeded that of September by 532 GWh. This caused an increase in the total accepted Offers by volume from 373 GWh in September to 968 GWh in October.

Fuel Type	Oct Volume (GWh)	Oct Volume (TWh)
Coal	130,337	1.303
Gas	796,268	7.963
Hydro	2,478	0.025
OCGT	134	0.001
Oil	1,342	0.013
Pumped storage	36,043	0.360
Wind	7,488	0.075
Total	968,182	9.682

The total accepted Bids by volume also increased from 538 GWh in September to 1,136 GWh in October; that was a 598 GWh increase. This was mainly attributable to:

- one wind site accounting for 52 GWh out of a total increase of 200 GWh in the wind Bid volume;
- one hydro site accounting for 20 GWh out of a total increase of 51 GWh in the hydro Bid volume;
- one pumped storage site accounting for 19 GWh out of a total increase of 30 GWh in the pumped storage Bid volume; and
- one coal site accounting for 270 GWh out of a total increase of 332 GWh in the coal Bid volume.

Fuel Type	Sep-14	Oct-14
Coal	130,337	130,337
Gas	796,268	796,268
Hydro	2,478	2,478
OCGT	134	134
Oil	1,342	1,342
Pumped storage	36,043	36,043
Wind	7,488	126,851
Total	968,182	1,136,303

A 12-month trend of balancing volumes shows that in October 2014 these were higher than average. The total volume of balancing actions was 2,094 GWh in October and that was a 132.5% (or 1,193 GWh) increase from the total volume of balancing actions in September. In October there was an increased level of wind generation, sustained throughout most of the month. This high wind generation (see page 2) increased the need to manage flow and constraints on the system, hence led to high volumes of Bids/Offer accepted.



* System prices are based on the previous month's market information (M) for data.
 * Balancing volumes appear as per the latest month with latest settlement (S) for data available.

We have published the latest reports for **December 2014** on the [Operations Report](#) page of our website.

[BSC Operations Headline Report](#): A summary of key data and Trading Operations Report exceptions.

[Trading Operations Report](#): Statistics and data on the Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) and Central Volume Allocation (CVA) Markets.

[Trading Operations Report Data](#): Data from the Trading Operations Report charts in Excel format.

If you would like more information, please contact Roger Harris on 020 7380 4311 or Roger.Harris@elexon.co.uk.

ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since **Monday 12 January**, we have published four ELEXON Circulars. The Circulars were for information and related to:

EL02184: Planned National Grid Disaster Recovery Testing: Phase 1 completed and Phase 2 date confirmation

Following on from ELEXON Circular [EL02174](#), National Grid has notified us that the Disaster Recovery (DR) testing successfully took place on **Tuesday 13 January 2015**.

EL02185: Additional Market Domain Data to be published on 21 January 2015

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EL02186: Partial Default Temperature Data used for GSP K for Settlement Date 14 January 2015

The temperature file used for the Daily Profile Production (DPP) run sent by the Met Office did not include complete data for GSP Group K for time period **12.00** noon for Settlement Date **14 January 2015**.

EL02187: Partial Default Temperature Data used for GSP F for Settlement Date 15 January 2015

The temperature file used for the Daily Profile Production (DPP) run sent by the Met Office did not include complete data for GSP Group F for time period **12.00** noon for Settlement Date **15 January 2015**.

Circulars are published in the [News](#) section of the ELEXON website.

Upcoming meetings and events

27 January 2015 – [Imbalance Settlement Group \(ISG\) 165](#)

29 January 2015 - [Performance Assurance Board \(PAB\) 168](#)

3 February 2015 - [European Code Coordination Application Forum \(ECCAF\) meeting](#)

3 February 2015 - [Supplier Volume Allocation Group \(SVG\) 168](#)

5 February 2015 - [Trading Disputes Committee \(TDC\) 197](#)



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