



## Newscast

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## Coming up this week

**3 February**Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG) at **10.00****5 February**Trading Disputes Committee (TDC) at **10.00**

## Other Regulatory Decisions: Electricity Market Reform - Energy Intensive Industries

As part of the Electricity Market Reform (EMR) programme, the Government has introduced two new mechanisms: **Contracts for Difference (CFD)**; and the **Capacity Market (CM)**.

### Impacts

Further consequential changes are needed to the BSC and a Code Subsidiary Document (CSD) to support the Government's Energy Intensive Industry (EII) arrangements. The impacted CSD and BSC Sections are as follows:

- Section F - Modification Procedures
- Section K - Classification and Registration of Metering Systems and BM Units
- Section S - Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA)
- Section X - Annex X-1 – General Glossary
- BSCP503 - Half Hourly Data Aggregation (HHDA) for SVA Metering Systems Registered in Supplier Meter Registration Service (SMRS)

Full details of the changes to the above documents can be found on the [ORD006 page](#).

ELEXON has also published its response to comments received for [EMR Circular 22](#) 'DECC Publishes Energy Intensive Industry Amendments to the Balancing and Settlement Code Consultation'. This response includes details on the following:

- Next steps with BSC changes for DECC's EII Policy
- Next steps with Data Transfer Catalogue (DTC) changes for DECC's option B (refer to DTC CP 3456 article in the EMR section)

- Published [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#) on HHDA metering solution

Full details on the above can be found in [EMR Circular 30](#) 'DECC publishes response to BSC Changes for EII and ELEXON's next steps'.

### Implementation

The BSC and CSD changes were laid before Parliament in January 2015, and are expected to be directed by the Secretary of State in April 2015, to become effective as part of the June 2015 Release on 25 June 2015.

If you have any questions, please email [contact@emrsettlement.co.uk](mailto:contact@emrsettlement.co.uk)

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## Updated TDC Terms of Reference

At its January 2015 meeting (BSC Panel 232) the Panel approved updates to the Trading Disputes Committee Terms of Reference clarifying the Trading Disputes provisions following the DA618 Lessons Learned project.

Click [here](#) to read the updated TDC Terms of Reference.

For further information please contact [disputes@exxon.co.uk](mailto:disputes@exxon.co.uk)

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## Qualification application approval

On Thursday 29 January 2015, the Performance Assurance Board approved the Surrender of Qualification of **Utility Metering Services Ltd (trading as OnStream)** in accordance with [BSCP537 'Qualification Process for SVA Parties, SVA Party Agents and CVA Meter Operators'](#).

The registered company address for Utility Metering Services Ltd (trading as OnStream) is Ropemaker Place, 28 Ropemaker Street, London, EC2Y 9HD. The company will no longer operate in the role of Non Half Hourly Data Aggregator using the 'ONSE' Market Participant Identifier.

For more information about the qualification process, please contact Nirav Vyas on 020 7380 4134 or email [qualification@exxon.co.uk](mailto:qualification@exxon.co.uk)

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## Your feedback matters: TIBCO Compression Implementation Approach

In recent weeks, we have been in discussion with some BMRS users regarding an improvement we are seeking to implement around TIBCO compression.

We are aware that participants are occasionally disconnected from the TIBCO server leading to data loss and whilst we place this data on the ELEXON Portal, we appreciate that it is not straightforward for users to fill in any gaps due to the lack of sequencing in the files. As TIBCO configuration prioritises speed over completeness, the size of the payload can exacerbate the disconnection problem.

Since the implementation of the new BMRS pages used to support [P291](#) and [P295](#), the TIBCO XML payload has increased and thus there is a higher risk of disconnection.

In order to counter this increased risk we are proposing to send compressed data on a new port which reduces the size of data and therefore reduces the risk of disconnection.

We are proposing to implement TIBCO compression through one of two options:

**Option 1. A set roll out period:** this will allow users to take the compression option at their convenience, however while the user is reconfiguring, they will be disconnected and will not receive data during that period and will therefore need to source any missing data from the ELEXON Portal.

**Option 2. Migration slots:** allocated slots will be made available over the forthcoming months to carry out bulk migration for users. There will be an outage and data will be republished afterwards, hence there would be minimal data loss.

In order to identify the preferred implementation approach we need feedback from all users as the implementation approaches vary in the level of user support required.

**Please can you confirm your preferred approach by close of play Friday 6 February by contacting [zaahir.ghanty@elexon.co.uk](mailto:zaahir.ghanty@elexon.co.uk)**

Based on this feedback we will then confirm dates and coordinate with parties.

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## Modifications, Change and Implementation

The Authority **approved** [P307 'Amendments to Credit Default arrangements'](#) on 29 January 2015 for **implementation on 25 June 2015** as part of the June 2015 BSC Systems Release.

[P309 'Facility to enable BSC Parties to select either replacement contract notifications or additional contract notifications'](#) - 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'](#) - responses are due by **17.00 on Friday 6 February 2015**.

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## Electricity Market Reform (EMR) update

### **Presentation material from the Implementation Event now available**

On Tuesday 27 January 2015 the Low Carbon Contracts Company (LCCC) and the EMR Settlement (EMRS) held an implementation event for suppliers. This event focused on providing further detail on the invoicing and payment processes for EMR. If you are a supplier and weren't able to attend, the presentation material is available [here](#).

Material from previous implementation events on the EMR payment for suppliers can be found below:

- [Wednesday 2 July 2014](#)
- [Tuesday 25 November 2014](#)

### **Where can I find more information on CFD Reserve Payment?**

The CFD Reserve Payment guidance is available [here](#). This guidance steps you through the quarterly reserve payment process including how the reserve payments are reconciled. This guidance includes diagrams and worked examples.

### **DTC Change Proposals: Energy Intensive Industries to use the DTC flows approved for EMR is out for Impact Assessment**

To support the implementation of Energy Intensive Industries (EII) this change proposal is consulting on the changes required to the Data Transfer Catalogue (DTC) we initially highlighted in [EMR Circular 22](#).

At the MRA Development Board (MDB) on Thursday 29 January 2015, they agreed to 10 working day impact assessment for this change proposal. The responses will be presented at the next MDB in February 2015 for a

decision. DTC CP 3456 is available [here](#) and also the red-lining is available [here](#).

### **Keep in touch with what's happening with EMR**

Visit the [EMRS 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](mailto:contact@emrsettlement.co.uk)

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## Holiday Credit Assessment Load Factor appeal deadline: 13 February 2015

Credit Assessment Load Factor (CALF) values are published for the **Spring 2015 BSC Season**, which runs from 1 March 2015 to 31 May 2015. You can download these from the Credit/Credit Alerting section under the Financial and Credit menu on the [ELEXON Portal](#).

### **What can I do if I believe the assigned value does not accurately represent the expected Balancing Mechanism (BM) Unit activity?**

If you are the Lead Party of a non-Credit Qualifying BM Unit, you can appeal an assigned CALF value if you believe it does not accurately represent your expected activity. To raise an appeal, please complete the **CALF Appeals pro forma in Appendix 5** of the [CALF Guidance document](#) and email it to [BSCSERVICEDESK@cgi.com](mailto:BSCSERVICEDESK@cgi.com) by 13 February 2015. For more information on CALF appeals please see Section 12 of the CALF Guidance document.

### **Where can I find further information?**

For further information about CALF, please see the CALF Guidance document or email Jordi Brown at [SettlementOperations@elexon.co.uk](mailto:SettlementOperations@elexon.co.uk)

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## ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since **Monday 26 January**, we have published five ELEXON Circulars. These were for information and related to:

### **EL02197: Missing Temperature Data for GSPs \_C and \_H for Settlement date 28 January 2015**

The temperature file delivered for Settlement date 28 January 2015 for GSP Groups \_C and \_H used in the Daily Profile Production (DPP) run has been defaulted for 12.00 (Noon) (GMT) using 13.00 (GMT) from the same site.

### **EL02196: Update on the defect resolution on BMRS following implementation of P291 (REMIT Data) and P295 (Transparency Data)**

This Circular provides an update for the ongoing resolution of known defects on the Balancing Mechanism Reporting Service (BMRS) platform following the recent introductions of the P291 (REMIT Data) and P295 (Transparency Data) Modifications.

### **EL02195: Expulsion from the Balancing and Settlement Code – S2R Energy Limited (Party ID: S2R1234)**

Further to Circulars EL02155 and EL02166, this is notification that S2R Energy Limited was expelled from the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) on 10 January 2015, in accordance with section A5.1 of the Code.

### **EL02194: ELEXON Portal: defect fixes to be deployed Tuesday 27 January 2015**

We will be deploying a number of defect fixes to the ELEXON Portal on Tuesday 27 January 2015, starting at approximately 17.00 (GMT). These defect fixes are required to support the recently introduced P291 (REMIT Data) Modification.

**EL02193: Missing Temperature Data for GSPs \_C and \_H for Settlement Date 23 January 2015**

The temperature file delivered for Settlement Date 23 January 2015 for GSP Groups \_C and \_H used in the Daily Profile Production (DPP) run has been defaulted for 12.00 (Noon) (GMT) using the backup site which in this case is Northolt. Please note that this issue was down to a faulty sensor which has since been repaired.

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

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## BSC Panel meeting: 12 February 2015

The next [BSC Panel meeting](#) will take place at ELEXON's offices on **12 February at 10.00**.

All agenda items will be held in open session (except those deemed confidential) and representatives of BSC Parties may attend. Meeting papers will be published on the [BSC Panel meeting](#) section of the website on **Thursday 5 February**.

If you would like to attend or have any queries, please email [panelsecretary@elexon.co.uk](mailto:panelsecretary@elexon.co.uk) by Tuesday 10 February.

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## News from National Grid

### National Grid Annual C16 Review Consultation

National Grid has published a consultation on proposed changes to the Standard Condition 16 (C16) Statements as part of the annual C16 review. The consultation, along with supporting documents can be found on the National Grid website [here](#).

If you have any questions or would like further information please email [BalancingServices@nationalgrid.com](mailto:BalancingServices@nationalgrid.com)

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## Upcoming meetings and events

- 12 February 2015** - [BSC Panel Meeting](#)
  - 18 February 2015** - [Introducing ELEXON Seminar](#) (registration is now closed)
  - 19 February 2015** - [Joint European Standing Group \(JESG\)](#)
  - 24 February 2015** - [Imbalance Settlement Group \(ISG\) 166](#)
  - 24 February 2015** - [Performance Assurance Board \(PAB\) 169](#)
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