Newscast

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Coming up this week

18 February
'Introducing ELEXON' seminar at **10.00**

19 February
Joint European Standing Group (JESG) at **10.00**

New Trading Disputes guidance published

ELEXON has recently reviewed the Trading Disputes guidance available on the ELEXON website to ensure our customers have the latest information on the Trading Disputes process. An updated guidance note was published on our website last week to include all steps in raising, investigating and presenting a Trading Dispute to the Trading Disputes Committee, as well as potential methods in rectifying Settlement Error. If you wish to learn more about the Trading Dispute process, please take a look at the new 'Trading Disputes process' guidance note.

In addition, as part of the lessons learnt from the DA618 Trading Dispute, ELEXON has agreed to issue guidance on Parties wishing to attend the Trading Dispute Committee. This guidance is also available on the Guidance Note on our website.

For any further information on Trading Disputes, please email the Disputes team at disputes@elexon.co.uk and if you would like Trading Disputes training please complete a Training Request Form or speak to your OSM.

Protocol requirements for Half Hourly Data Collectors (HHDCs)

It is a requirement for HHDCs to have suitable protocols in place and approved under BSCP601 for the Meters which they are required to communicate with for Settlement purposes. ELEXON was notified of concerns that there may be potential for Half Hourly Data Collectors (HHDCs) to pick up Meters as a result of P272 for which they do not have approved protocols in place.

ELEXON had initially concluded that there are some gaps in protocol approvals for some HHDCs, ie not every HHDC has all of the protocols for every CoP10 Meter type. Given that HHDCs may not be aware of the Meter types that are to be migrated to them, it is important to consider what approvals may be necessary for the roll out of P272.

If you are a Supplier, it is worth having a conversation with your HHDC about what approvals they have got in place and which ones might be missing. If, as a Supplier, you have not yet decided on the HHDC for the Meters impacted by P272 implementation, it is something worth considering as part of your appointment.

If you are a Half Hourly Data Collector, please consider having a conversation with a Supplier when discussing appointment for the migrated Meters in Profile Classes 5-8.

For more information, please contact Keith Campion keith.campion@elexon.co.uk.

ELEXON Dispute decisions

The view of the Disputes Secretariat on Trading Dispute DA656 is now available on our website. If you believe you should have been notified as an affected Party, please contact us at disputes@elexon.co.uk and we will take the Dispute to the Trading Disputes Committee.

Further changes to the BSC and a Code Subsidiary Document (CSD) to support Electricity Market Reform (EMR)

In last week's Newscast, we communicated about the further changes to the BSC and a Code Subsidiary Document needed to support Electricity Market Reform and the Energy Intensive Industry (EII) arrangements. You can view the redlined changes to the BSC and a Code Subsidiary Documents on the ORD006 page.

Guidance updated to support both Suppliers and Half Hourly Data Aggregation on the metering solution for Electricity Market Reform

Further questions have been added to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs): HHDA Metering Solution for EMR document, located in the Supplier & Supplier Agent section on the BSC Guidance page. These FAQs provide both Suppliers and Half Hourly Data Aggregation (HHDA) answers to questions on how to use and populate the new D0354, D0355, D0356 and D0357 data flows.

Update on the implementation of Electricity Market Reform

Update on User Acceptance Testing for the EMR Settlement System
We have advised Suppliers and CFD Generators their participation in User Acceptance Testing (UAT) for the EMR Settlement System will take place in March 2015 via EMR Circular 32. We will provide further details on the exact dates via a second Circular this week.

Keep in touch with what's happening with EMR
Visit 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.

February 2015 Systems Release to be implemented next week

The February 2015 BSC Systems Release will be implemented on **Thursday 26 February 2015**. On 11 December 2014 we issued CPC00751: Notification of the February 2015 BSC Systems Release to let you know what's changing for the Release. There are changes to the Central Volume Allocation (CVA) and Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) systems and we will confirm the deployment plan this week.

For more information, please contact Olga Maksimenko on 0207 380 4306 or releases@elexon.co.uk.

P310 approved by BSC Panel under Self-Governance

At its meeting on 12 February 2015, the BSC Panel:

- **Determined** that P310 'Revised Credit Cover for Exporting Supplier BM Units' is a Self-Governance Modification Proposal; and
- **Approved** P310

BSC Parties have until **Thursday 5 March 2015** to appeal the Panel's approval of P310. If no appeal is received, P310 will be implemented in accordance with the Panel's determination on **25 June 2015** (June 2015 BSC Systems Release). The full rules and processes regarding appeals can be found in BSC Section F6.4.

High level summary
P310 proposes to use the Balancing Mechanism Credit Assessment Export Capability (BMCAEC) value instead of the Balancing Mechanism Credit Assessment Import Capability (BMCAIC) value with regards to the Credit Assessment Energy Indebtedness calculations when a Supplier Volume Allocation Balancing Mechanism Unit contains embedded generation and no consumption.

Further information
Further information can be found on the P310 page of our website. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the Modification further, please contact Claire Anthony on 020 7380 4293 or email claire.anthony@elexon.co.uk.

Modifications, Change and Implementation

Live Consultations
The following BSC Modifications have been issued for Report Phase Consultation:

- P305 'Electricity Balancing Significant Code Review Developments'
- P316 'Introduction of a single marginal cash-out price'

You are invited to respond to these Report Phase Consultations and provide your views on the merits of these Modifications. Please send your responses to bsc.change@elexon.co.uk by **17.00** on **Tuesday 3 March 2015.**

BSC Panel Headline report published

The BSC Panel met on 12 February 2015 and the Headline Report is now available. This report sets out the headlines and key decisions of the Panel's most recent meeting.

Trading Operations Report published

The Trading Operations Report provides a market level overview of key events, issues or incidents over the last month, a wide range of statistics on the energy industry and a suite of market graphs. It is particularly useful as an overview of market behaviour and the performance of the Balancing and Settlement arrangements over the last month. You can view the latest report on the Trading Operations page of the ELEXON website.

Market Domain Data Circular 547 published

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

MDD Circular 547 has been published on the MDD Circulars page of our website. This Circular details the proposed changes to be included in the release of MDD Version 227, and invites Market Participants to perform an impact assessment on these.

Additional documents attached to the Circular include the Change Requests received outlining proposed changes and the supporting documentation for Charge Code applications (M2325).

Please email your comments to mddc@elexon.co.uk by **17.00** on **Wednesday 18 February 2015**.

For more information, please contact mddc@elexon.co.uk.

ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since Monday 9 February, we have published three ELEXON Circulars. They were for information and related to:

EL02201: **Delay in Receiving EMFIP ACKS – Resolved**
Following on from BSC Bulletin 184, ENTSO-e have confirmed that the issue with their Energy Communications Platform (ECP) software which was causing a delay in ACKS being sent to users has now been resolved.

EL02202: **Missing Temperature Data for GSP _P for Settlement date 11 February 2015**
The temperature file delivered for Settlement date 11 February 2015 for GSP Group _P used in the Daily Profile Production (DPP) run has been defaulted for 12.00 (Noon) (GMT) using 11.00 (GMT) from the same site.

EL02203: **Party obligations following Trading Disputes Committee determination on rectification of a Settlement Error**
In its February 2015 meeting, the Trading Disputes Committee (TDC) heard dispute DA701, which referred to a Settlement Error caused by failure to progress corrective actions following a determination by the TDC.
The TDC noted that to prevent such issues arising again, an ELEXON Circular should be issued outlining Party obligations in the event of receiving BSCP11/07 'TDC Trading Dispute Findings' form.

Circulars are published in the News section of the ELEXON website.

Upcoming meetings and events

24 February 2015 - Imbalance Settlement Group (ISG)
26 February 2015 - BMRS User Group Workshop 5
26 February 2015 - Performance Assurance Board (PAB)
3 March 2015 - Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG)
5 March 2015 - Trading Disputes Committee (TDC)
12 March 2015 - BSC Panel

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