



## Coming up this week

### 17 March

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

### 19 March

[Software Technical Advisory Group \(STAG\)](#) at **12.00**

## Collaborative work driving improved industry assurance

ELEXON has been working with [ElectraLink](#) in developing a new service to improve the performance assurance of electricity Settlement.

After a four month initial trial period, ELEXON has committed to a three year contract with [ElectraLink](#) to provide data services to support their Performance Assurance Framework (PAF). The PAF is the primary tool used by ELEXON to ensure that allocations of energy and the associated Trading Charges are performed in line with the requirements detailed in the BSC.

[ElectraLink's](#) ability to extract and load Data Transfer Service (DTS) data files into a structured data analytics environment provides ELEXON with an industry-wide view of specific data flows that underpin key Settlement processes.

Access to this data will enable ELEXON to gain greater insight into current industry performance, and will help enhance the range of PAF techniques that ELEXON deploys such as the BSC Audit by offering a more targeted approach. Through this innovative solution, [Electralink](#) and ELEXON seek to provide a better service for customers.

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## 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.

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## New Market Participant

On Friday 13 March 2015, **Mercuria Energy Trading SA** (Party ID: METSA) successfully completed the CVA Qualification. They have Registered in the role of MVRNA (Party Agent ID: METSAPA) in addition to their existing roles.

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## Electricity Market Reform (EMR) update

### Overview of EMR Settlement Working Practice is now published

[EMR Circular 35](#) informs EMR Stakeholders that we have now published the [Overview of EMR Settlement Working Practice](#), available on our [Working Practices](#) webpage. The purpose of this working practice is to provide an overview of EMR settlement process for all the payments related to the Contracts for Difference (CFD) and Capacity Market (CM) schemes and covers the receipt of metered data through to final reconciliation of funds.

### 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](mailto:contact@emrsettlement.co.uk).

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## ELEXON Dispute decisions

The views of the Disputes Secretariat on Trading Disputes DA675 and DA676 are now available on the [Dispute Decisions](#) section of our website. If you believe you should have been notified as an affected Party, please contact us at [disputes@elexon.co.uk](mailto:disputes@elexon.co.uk) and we will take the Dispute to the TDC.

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## Modifications, Change and Implementation

### Panel recommendation to delay implementation of P272

At its meeting on 12 March 2015, the BSC Panel agreed to make a recommendation to the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority to delay the Implementation Date of Approved Modification [P272 'Mandatory Half Hourly Settlement for Profile Classes 5-8'](#). It recommends a delay of 12 months, until **1 April 2017**, to provide extra time to resolve outstanding issues and for the industry to migrate the applicable Meters to Half Hourly Settlement.

The Panel noted that this would not prevent early adopters from implementing sooner. It stressed that this must not mean a delay to the start of migration nor to the implementation of associated industry changes.

As it will be for the Authority to determine whether a delay is required, and no determination has yet been made, participants should continue to progress with migrations plans to be fully compliant with P272 by **1 April 2016**. We will inform you once the Authority has made its decision.

### P320 Workgroup

British Gas raised [P320 'Reporting on Profile Classes 5 – 8 Metering Systems after the implementation of P272'](#) on 5 March 2015 and we are looking for members to join the P320 Workgroup.

The implementation of [P272](#) would require changes to the existing PARMS Serials to report any non-compliance. The Proposer believes that a Committee report would be a more suitable reporting tool than PARMS Serials and proposes to remove the PARMS Serial reporting requirements introduced by P272. Reporting P272 non-compliance using a Committee report would also remove the proposed Supplier Charge under P272.

We are proposing that the P320 Workgroup is comprised of any Issue 59 Group members, Suppliers, Supplier Agents and any other interested parties and are looking to hold the first Workgroup meeting during the week beginning **20 April 2015**. If you would like to join this Workgroup or attend as a non-voting attendee, please contact [bsc.change@exelon.co.uk](mailto:bsc.change@exelon.co.uk) and include your availability for the week beginning 20 April 2015 for the first meeting.

For further information, please contact Oliver Xing on 020 7380 4276, email [bsc.change@exelon.co.uk](mailto:bsc.change@exelon.co.uk) or visit the [P320](#) page of our website.

### Live Consultations

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

- [P319 'Removal of annual RMP review from PAF'](#)
- [P302 'Improve the Change of Supplier Meter read and Settlement process for smart Meters'](#)

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@exelon.co.uk](mailto:bsc.change@exelon.co.uk) by **17.00** on **Tuesday 7 April 2015**.

### Modifications

At its meeting on 12 March 2015, the BSC Panel considered the Draft Modification Reports for [P305 'Electricity Balancing Significant Code Review Developments'](#) and [P316 'Introduction of a single marginal cash-out price'](#).

The Panel made the following final recommendations to the Authority:

- Both the P305 Proposed and Alternative Modifications should be rejected.
- The P316 Alternative Modification should be approved and the Proposed Modification rejected.

The Final Modification Reports have now been issued to the Authority for decision, and you can download these from the [P305](#) and [P316](#) pages of our website.

Further information on these Modifications can be found on the [P305](#) and [P316](#) pages of our website.

If you have any questions on **P305**, please contact **David Kemp** on 020 7380 4303 or at [bsc.change@exelon.co.uk](mailto:bsc.change@exelon.co.uk).

If you have any questions on **P316**, please contact **Talia Addy** on 020 7380 4043 or at [bsc.change@exelon.co.uk](mailto:bsc.change@exelon.co.uk).

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## MDD Circular 549 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 549](#) 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 228, and invites Market Participants to perform an impact assessment on these.

Additional information to this Circular includes the [Change Requests](#) received outlining proposed changes, [MDD00549b](#) and [MDD00549c](#), containing this month's Charge Code Documentation (M2337).

Please email your comments to [mddc@exelon.co.uk](mailto:mddc@exelon.co.uk) by **17.00** on **Wednesday 18 March 2015**.

For more information, please contact [mddc@exelon.co.uk](mailto:mddc@exelon.co.uk).

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## ELEXON Circulars published this week

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

**EL02218: Planned National Grid BM Outage on Tuesday 17 March 2015**

We have been notified by National Grid that there will be Balancing Mechanism (BM) planned Outage between 09.40 (GMT) and 12.40 (GMT) on Tuesday 17 March 2015, which will affect submission of Balancing Services Adjustment Data (BSAD) to the BSC Central Services.

**EL02219: BMRS unable to load National Grid DISBSAD**

National Grid is currently experiencing an issue with the sequencing numbers used in the submission of half-hourly Disaggregated Balancing Services Adjustment Data (DISBSAD) to the BSC Central Services. This sequencing issue has impacted the processing of half-hourly DISBSAD since approximately 11.00 (GMT) on Saturday 7 March 2015.

**EL02220: BMRS unable to load National Grid DIBSAD: Resolved**

Following on from ELEXON Circular EL02219 National Grid have begun resending half-hourly DISBSAD to the BSC Central Services. The sequencing issue has been resolved and the processing of half-hourly DISBSAD has resumed from approximately 14.30 (GMT) today, Monday 9 March 2015.

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

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## Upcoming meetings and events

**24 March 2015** - [Imbalance Settlement Group \(ISG\)](#)

**26 March 2015** - [Performance Assurance Board \(PAB\)](#)

**31 March 2015** - [Supplier Volume Allocation Group \(SVG\)](#)

**2 April 2015** - [Trading Disputes Committee \(TDC\)](#)

**9 April 2015** - [BSC Panel](#)

**16 April 2015** - [Balancing and Mechanism Reporting Service \(BMRS\) User Group](#)



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