



# Newscast



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## Coming up this week

### 2 February

[Supplier Volume Allocations Group](#) at **10:00**

### 4 February

[Trading Disputes Committee](#) at **10:00**

## P272 Supplier Monthly Updates

We would like to remind Suppliers that their Supplier Monthly Updates (SMUs) should be treated as a live document, therefore a variation from the original Supplier Migration Plan (SMP) is expected monthly.

If your forecasted Changes of Measurement Class (CoMCs) vary by more than 5% or 10 Metering System Identifiers (MSIDs) -whichever is the greater- from your original, a new SMP will be required. Any re-submitted SMPs will need to be approved by the Performance Assurance Board (PAB). Therefore, any **significant** forecasted variance should be accompanied with relevant explanation, including quantified details of what issues caused the variance and how they will be managed going forward.

Please note there is no need to re-submit your SMP if the forecasted variance is only small (less than 5% or 10 MSIDs), as this will be picked up in the SMU.

If you have any queries about submitting SMPs, or how to fill in your SMU, please contact us through your Operational Support Manager (OSM) or email us at [P272Implementation@elxon.co.uk](mailto:P272Implementation@elxon.co.uk) and we will endeavour to provide as much help as required.

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## ELEXON Settlement Workshop: 16 March - Book your space

ELEXON is organising a day of [Settlement Workshops](#) on **Wednesday 16 March 2016**. These workshops are an opportunity to ask questions and get first-hand training and advice from our experts in Settlement. This event is open to BSC Parties and is free of charge.

### The agenda

The workshops will cover the following topics:

- Trading Charges
- Imbalance Prices
- Credit Cover

The duration of each workshop will be 90 minutes so you will be able to attend all three workshops. They will include a presentation, a case study and a Q&A. By working through case studies with anonymous Settlement Data, you will develop an understanding of the calculations, helping you to recreate Trading Charge, Imbalance Prices and Credit Cover calculations using your own Settlement Data.

#### **Who will benefit?**

The workshop will be suitable for industry colleagues who wish to develop an in-depth understanding in these areas to support their work. If you would like to attend, please fill in the registration form on the [Settlement Workshops](#) page on our website by **Friday 4 March 2016**. If you have any questions, or need more information on this event, please contact us at [events@elexon.co.uk](mailto:events@elexon.co.uk).

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## TAM and P283 Commissioning education day: 18 February - Last week of registrations

On **Thursday 18 February 2016**, ELEXON, in collaboration with the Technical Assurance Agent (TAA), will host an [education day](#) on **Technical Assurance of Metering Systems and the P283 Commissioning process**.

Following the success of the [last education day](#) in 2014 and the results of the recent Technical Assurance of Performance Assurance Parties (TAPAP) check, we are organising another event to provide an introduction to the Technical Assurance of Metering technique, Technical Assurance of Metering Systems and the P283 process for those new to the process and a refresher for those who attended the previous event.

The day will cover:

- the TAM process and how it fits in to the Performance Assurance Framework
- an overview of P283
- managing non-compliances
- how to make better use of the information in the Technical Assurance Agent Management Tool (TAAMT)
- reporting.

The event will take place at [ELEXON's offices](#), from **10:00 to 15:00**.

#### **Registration**

If you would like to attend, please fill in the form available on the [education day](#) page of our website by **Friday 5 February 2016**. If you have any questions, or need more information on this event, please email [beth.procter@elexon.co.uk](mailto:beth.procter@elexon.co.uk).

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## Are you interested in becoming a member of the SVG?

A vacancy has become available for an Industry Member on the Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG). The SVG is a Panel Committee which discharges certain powers of the BSC Panel under delegated responsibility. Its primary role is to oversee the operation of the BSC's Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) processes and systems. This includes making decisions on:

- Changes to key SVA operational parameters, including profiling parameters
- Change Proposals to SVA Code Subsidiary Documents and BSC Systems
- Changes to SVA Line Loss Factors and Market Domain Data
- Applications for Metering Dispensations

You can find more information about the SVG (including its current membership, full Terms of Reference and past papers) on the [SVG page](#) of our website.

### **Yes, I'm interested in fulfilling this role – How can I apply?**

Please complete the [application form](#) on our website, setting out your relevant experience/expertise. As we only have one Member vacancy, if we receive more than one application there will be an opportunity for any unsuccessful applicants to become SVG Industry Alternates.

### **What's involved in being a Member or an Alternate?**

The SVG meets monthly, Industry Members and Industry Alternates are required to:

- Be nominated by a BSC Trading Party (who can be, but does not need to be, their employer)
- Act impartially as an independent expert and not on behalf of any particular interests
- Have their employer's agreement to act as a Member or Alternate
- Agree not to disclose any confidential information that they may encounter as part of their role
- Where a Member, make themselves available at all reasonable times to attend meetings and to carry out their duties and functions

If an Industry Member is unable to attend a meeting, they can appoint any of the Industry Alternates or another Industry Member to act as their Alternate.

We reimburse reasonable costs and expenses in attending meetings.

### **Any questions?**

Please email [svgsecretary@elexon.co.uk](mailto:svgsecretary@elexon.co.uk) or call Kathryn Coffin, SVG Chairman, on 020 7380 4030.

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## **Risk Operating Plan 2016/17 published**

On Thursday 28 January, we presented the Risk Operating Plan (ROP) 2016/17 to the Performance Assurance Board (PAB), following the responses received to the industry consultation published in November 2015. The PAB reviewed and approved the ROP which will take effect from **Monday 1 April 2016**.

The [ROP 2016/17](#) is published on the [Performance Assurance Processes](#) page of our website. If you have any questions on the operating plan or any other areas of BSC assurance, please contact Melinda Anderson on 020 7280 4019.

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## **Electricity Market Reform (EMR) update**

### **Government response to CFD Supplier Obligation: Consultation on Improving Efficiency and Transparency**

On Monday 25 January 2016, DECC published its [response](#) to this consultation, summarising the feedback received and setting out the policy decision and next steps.

Further details are available in the [News](#) section of the EMRS website.

### **Government response to the Low Carbon Contracts Company and Electricity Settlements Company's operational costs 2016/17**

On Monday 25 January 2016, DECC published the [response](#) to feedback received from the consultation on the proposed 2016/17 operational costs and resulting levies for the Low Carbon Contracts Company and the Electricity Settlements Company. Further details are available in the [News](#) section of the EMRS website.

### **Suppliers: Still need to request the return of CFD Credit Cover?**

In [EMR Circular 73](#), we detailed how to request the return of CFD Credit Cover. The process and timescales associated to the return of CFD Credit Cover are detailed in [WP42 – Supplier CFD Credit Cover](#).

### 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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## Modifications, Change and Implementation

### Approval of a revised P321 Implementation Date - 3 November 2016

On Tuesday 26 January, the Authority approved the BSC Panel's request to delay the implementation of Approved Modification [P321 'Publication of Trading Unit Delivery Mode'](#) from the June 2016 Release to the **November 2016 Release**.

P321 will now be implemented on **3 November 2016** as part of the **November 2016 BSC Systems Release**.

Further information can be found in the Authority's decision letter, which is available on the [P321](#) page of our website. If you have any questions, please email us at [bsc.change@elexon.co.uk](mailto:bsc.change@elexon.co.uk).

### P331 Extended Dispute Deadline at the Post-Final Settlement Run under exceptional circumstances

Modification [P331](#) proposes to extend the Dispute Deadline for Settlement Errors at the Post-Final Settlement Run from one month to up to two months under exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the Trading Disputes Committee or the Panel.

P331 was raised by the BSC Panel on 14 January 2016 following a request from the Trading Disputes Committee. The Panel unanimously agreed that P331 should be progressed directly into the Report Phase and should be treated as a Self-Governance Modification Proposal with an initial recommendation that the Modification be approved.

The Panel's Report Phase Consultation was issued on 15 January. Please send your responses, titled 'P331 Report Phase Consultation', to [bsc.change@elexon.co.uk](mailto:bsc.change@elexon.co.uk) by **17:00 on Friday 5 February 2016**.

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## BSC Panel meeting: 11 February

The next scheduled [BSC Panel meeting](#) is on **Thursday 11 February** and will start at **10:00** at [ELEXON's offices](#).

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 4 February**.

If you would like to attend or have any queries, please email the [Panel Secretary](#) by **Tuesday 9 February**.

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## ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since Monday 25 February, we have published six ELEXON Circulars. These Circulars were for information and related to:

- [EL02379: Risk Operating Plan \(ROP\) 2016/17 published](#)

[EL02378](#): Planned National Grid BM outage on Tuesday 2 February 2016

- [EL02377](#): National Grid to suspend publication of De-Rated Margin Data on 27 January
- [EL02376](#): Withdrawal from the Balancing and Settlement Code – Deutsche Bank AG London
- [EL02375](#): Planned National Grid BSAD outage completed
- [EL02374](#): Further delay to National Grid's Non-BM STOR solution

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

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## Upcoming meetings and events

**10 February** - 'Introducing ELEXON' seminar

**11 February** - BSC Panel

**18 February** - TAM and P283 education day

**23 February** - Joint European Stakeholder Group

**23 February** - Imbalance Settlement Group

**25 February** - Performance Assurance Board



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