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Coming up this week

3 OctoberSupplier Volume Allocation Group at **10:00****5 October**Trading Disputes Committee at **10:00**

Ofgem announces Significant Code Review Design Working Group membership: ELEXON confirmed to lead

In the market-wide Half-Hourly Settlement Significant Code Review (SCR) Launch Statement published in July, Ofgem set out their proposed model for the Design Working Group to develop the Target Operating Model and the governance structure intend to use for decision-making. This model proposes that ELEXON lead a Design Working Group to provide recommendations to the Ofgem Senior Responsible Owner for decision and an Ofgem-led Design Advisory Board.

The SCR Launch Statement also invited interested parties to apply to be a member of the Design Working Group by 1 September 2017.

After reviewing the applications submitted by stakeholders, Ofgem has confirmed the members of the Design Working Group. You can read further details on the group's membership in the [announcement made by Ofgem last week](#).

In their announcement, Ofgem stated 'We look forward to working with ELEXON and the appointed Design Working Group members in the development of the Target Operating Model to deliver market-wide Half-Hourly Settlement.'

We look forward to working with Ofgem and industry experts in the Design Working Group to deliver the Target Operating Model and the governance structure intended to use for decision-making.

Find out more about the Design Working Group and our work on Half-Hourly Settlement on our [dedicated webpage](#).

Review of the Performance Assurance Framework – webpage launched

We have today launched a [webpage that sets out all you need to know about the PAF Review project](#). You will be able to see latest activities and how you can get involved, as well as information about how and why the project is being run.

An [update on the project's progress](#) so far was provided to the Performance Assurance Board's September meeting.

If you have any questions or comments, contact the PAF Review team at pafreview@elexon.co.uk.

Transferring Meter Technical Details for Advanced Meters migrated under BSC Modification P272 on a Change of Agent

A potential issue has recently been brought to our attention regarding the transfer of Meter Technical Details following a Change of Agent (COA) for certain types of Meters (particularly EDM1 Meters) that are now prevalent in the Half-Hourly (HH) market following BSC Modification P272.

Some Advanced Meters that make up a substantial percentage of the former Non-Half Hourly (NHH) Profile Class (PC) 5-8 market (now HH under Measurement Classes E, F and G) require both username and password privileges in order for a user to successfully access the Meter and retrieve data. In the NHH market, auxiliary Meter Technical Details are passed via the D0313 dataflow which includes provision for transferring usernames for access to Meters (data items J1714, J1715 and J1716.) However, following P272 these Meters will be migrated to HH settlement and as such Meter Technical Details will be passed via the D0268 flow, which does not include data items which allow an outgoing Meter Operator Agent (MOA) to pass usernames to the incumbent. Therefore, on a Change of Agent username information (which is essential for the operation of some Advanced Meters) will be lost, effectively making the Meters 'dumb'.

We are aware this is currently being investigated through a workstream of the MRA Industry Resolution Expert Group (IREG.) However, until such time a formal change is progressed and implemented BSC Parties and their Agents should agree how they will transfer information that they are unable to pass through the standard HH COA process that is essential for the operation of the Metering System.

This information could be transferred either outside of the Data Transfer Network (DTN) or a 'workaround' could be used so that other fields within the D0268 flow are used to communicate Meter access usernames. An agreement should be made between all Parties involved in the COA as to how this information will be transferred beforehand to allow both the incoming MOA and the incoming HHDC to be able to successfully interpret the Meter Technical Details so that they can communicate with and interrogate the Meter.

If you have any questions or would like more information on any of the points mentioned in this article please contact metering@elexon.co.uk.

ELEXON responds to Ofgem's consultation on UK Link and the proposed Central Switching Service

ELEXON has responded to Ofgem's consultation on UK Link and the proposals for a Central Switching Service. The consultation document draws parallels with ELEXON's vires constraints. In [our response](#) we highlight the benefit of allowing as broad a competitive field for central services as possible and note our support for the idea that services can be provided by organisations operating different business models, including not for profit.

Modifications, Change and Implementation

P359 'Mechanised process for GC/DC declarations' raised

P359 was raised on 6 September 2017. This Modification proposes to introduce a new mechanised process for Generation Capacity (GC) and Demand Capacity (DC) re-declarations following a breach of [Section K3.4.3 of the BSC](#).

We are extending the response deadline for joining the Workgroup for another two weeks. We now propose that the first Workgroup meeting is held on either on **17, 18, 19 or 20 October 2017**. If you would like to join the P359 Workgroup or attend as a non-voting attendee, please let us know by emailing bsc.change@elexon.co.uk by **5 October 2017**.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss P359 further, please contact **Jemma Williams** on 0207 380 4359 or email bsc.change@elexon.co.uk.

Electricity Market Reform (EMR) update

LCCC has determined the Interim Levy Rate and Total Reserve Amount for 1 January 2018 to 31 March 2018

[EMR Circular 134](#) was issued on behalf of [Low Carbon Contracts Company](#) (LCCC), who determined the Total Reserve Amount (TRA) and the Interim Levy Rate (ILR) for Quarterly Obligation Period **1 January 2018 to 31 March 2018** are as follows:

- Total Reserve Amount: **£37,917,807.57**
- Interim Levy Rate: **£3.149/MWh**

Webinar – Supplier Obligation Levy Rate and Total Reserve

On **16 October 2017**, from **10:30 to 11:00**, [Low Carbon Contract Company](#) (LCCC) Forecasting team will be hosting a webinar on the Supplier Obligation Levy Rate and Total Reserve Amount determined for the Quarterly Obligation Period **1 January 2018 to 31 March 2018**. This will provide background and assumptions applied and the 15 month forecast.

To register for this webinar, please email info@lowcarboncontracts.uk.

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.

Next BSC Panel meeting: 12 October 2017

The next BSC Panel meeting is taking place on **12 October 2017** 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. The meeting papers and agenda will be available on the [BSC Panel meeting](#) page of our website from **15:00 Thursday 5 October**.

If you would like to attend or have any queries, please email the Panel Secretary by **Tuesday 10 October**.

ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since 25 September 2017 we have published one ELEXON Circular. This Circular was for information and related to:

[EL02706](#): Planned National Grid MODIS Downtime: Wednesday 27 September 2017

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

Upcoming meetings and events

- 10 October** - [Unmetered Suppliers User Group](#)
 - 11 October** - [P344 Workgroup](#)
 - 12 October** - [BSC Panel](#)
 - 18 October** - [Technical Assurance of Metering Expert Group](#)
 - 19 October** - [Joint European Stakeholder Group](#)
 - 24 October** - [Imbalance Settlement Group](#)
 - 26 October** - [Performance Assurance Board](#)
 - 31 October** - [Supplier Volume Allocation Group](#)
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