



# Newscast



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## Coming up this week

### 24 October

[Imbalance Settlement Committee](#) at **10:00**

### 26 October

[Performance Assurance Board](#) at **10:00**

## Would you like to receive ELEXON Operational updates by email?

In November 2016, ELEXON introduced an email notification function. This messaging service sends an email notification whenever a 'System Warning Message' is published on the Balancing Mechanism Reporting Service (BMRS). You can register to receive these email alerts on the [ELEXON Portal](#).

From **18:00 (BST) on 24 October 2017**, we will extend this service by creating additional notifications for new 'ELEXON Messages'. This new alert will cover a number of areas: notifications of BSC Agent downtime (planned and unplanned), use of default data in Volume Allocation Runs, updates to the Credit Assessment Price (CAP) and any general operational issues which we may experience.

These notifications will also be published on a new page of the [ELEXON Portal](#) which will display the last 10 published ELEXON Messages.

To subscribe to ELEXON Messages or access them on the Portal, you will need to have an active ELEXON Portal account; this is not restricted to just BSC Parties.

Please visit the [ELEXON Portal](#) and follow the simple steps below:

- Sign into your ELEXON Portal account.
- Go to the 'My Profile' settings – selecting the Subscriptions/Alerts option.
- Select the ELEXON Messages option by clicking 'Subscribe' – you will then receive an email confirming that you have been set up to receive notifications.

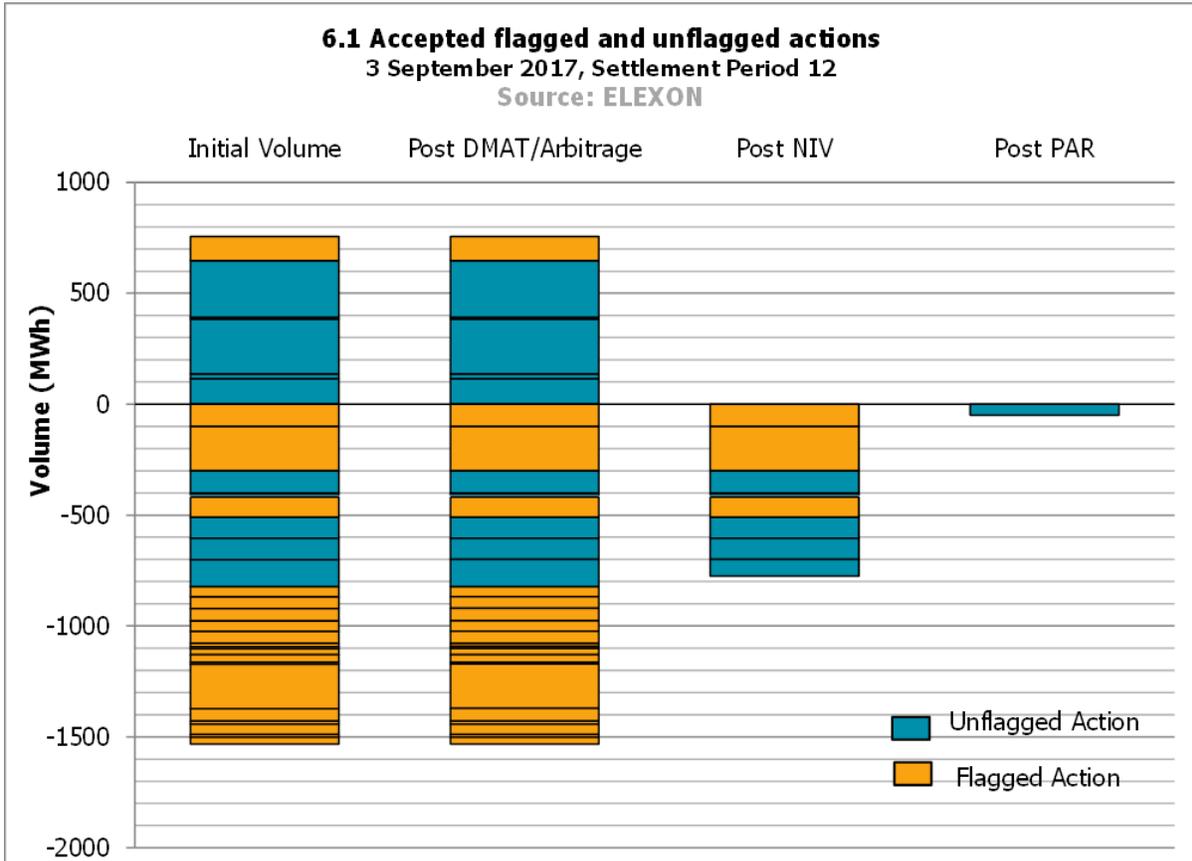
Please note that users who are already signed up to the BMRS System Warning Alerts will automatically be signed up as part of our implementation approach.

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## September System Price Analysis Report (SPAR)

The System Price Analysis Report (SPAR) is our monthly report on Imbalance Pricing, and includes an overview and analysis of the previous month's prices and pricing parameters. The SPAR aims to increase industry understanding of pricing, in light of the changes made as part of BSC Modifications P305 'Electricity Balancing Significant Code Review developments' implemented in November 2015.

The latest SPAR, reporting on September 2017, is now available on the [System Price Analysis Report](#) page of our website. This month's SPAR includes an appendix containing a detailed breakdown of how the System Price was calculated in Settlement Period 12 on 3 September 2017. The System Price for this Settlement Period was -£25/MWh, which represented the lowest System Price of the month.



In this particular Settlement Period the system was long with 52 balancing actions taken. This was made up of 49 Bid-Offer Acceptances (BOAs), with seven Offers, 42 Bids, and three Balancing Services Adjustment Actions (BSAAs). The most expensive Offer in the Settlement Period was £99/MWh, with the cheapest at £55/MWh. The most expensive Bid was -£88/MWh, with the cheapest at £25.26/MWh. When long, System Prices averaged £31.84/MWh in September 2017.

If you want to keep up to date with ELEXON's pricing analysis, the SPAR is published monthly on the [System Price Analysis Report](#) page of our website.

For further information, please email [market.analysis@elexon.co.uk](mailto:market.analysis@elexon.co.uk).

## CALF values for the Winter 2017 BSC Season: 1 November appeal deadline

The Credit Assessment Load Factor (CALF) values for the Winter 2017 BSC Season, which runs from **1 December 2017 to 28 February 2018**, are available 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 proforma in Appendix 5 of the [CALF Guidance document](#) and email it to [bscservicedesk@cgi.com](mailto:bscservicedesk@cgi.com) by **Wednesday 1 November 2017**. To find out more about CALF appeals, please see Section 12 of the CALF Guidance document.

The holiday CALF deadline for the Winter 2017 BSC Season is **Friday 17 November 2017**, 10 working days before the start of the season. Please ensure you request a copy of the Holiday CALF proforma via [bscservicedesk@cgi.com](mailto:bscservicedesk@cgi.com).

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

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## Electricity Market Reform (EMR) update

### **Webinar: a focused session on the volume reallocation process**

[Electricity Settlements Company \(ESC\)](#) and EMRS are hosting a webinar on **Wednesday 8 November 2017 at 11:00** to explain the volume reallocation process detailed within [WP48-Volume Reallocation](#).

This session is aimed at both:

- **Capacity Providers** who were awarded a Capacity Agreement at Auction.
- **Capacity Market Volume Reallocation (CMVR) registered participants** who were not awarded a Capacity Agreement at Auction but have or intend to register with the Delivery Body to participate in volume reallocation.

Through this webinar you will get a better understanding of:

- What volume reallocation is
- Who can participate in volume reallocation
- How to identify a CMU that can participate in volume reallocation
- How to complete Capacity Market Volume Reallocation Notification (CMVRN)
- Timeline associated to volume reallocation.

The webinar will also provide an opportunity for Capacity Providers to ask questions.

[Register for this webinar.](#)

### **Improvements to the EMRS website are live**

EMRS is pleased to announce that improvements to the EMRS [website](#) are now live. These changes are focused on the homepage, settlement data and stakeholder support sections of our website.

We have introduced these changes to give you a better user experience and to consolidate existing information on the website.

The improvements are as follows:

- **Homepage**: we have consolidated the main menu bar, improved the location of the search bar and given priority to news and calendar content.
- **Settlement data**: we have updated the landing page to include each EMR Party role. Each EMR Party role webpage now includes a more intuitive format for the data to be displayed.
- **Stakeholder support**: it now provides an interactive process map to show the user the full process for

each EMR Party role. The user will be able to click on each stage of the process and review the details required.

We hope these improvements will help EMR Parties, **Suppliers**, **CFD Generators** and **Capacity Providers** navigate through content more easily and that you will find the consolidated information useful.

### **Tell us what you think**

We would love to hear what you think of these changes. Your feedback will help us continue to develop the EMRS [website](#) and your user experience.

You can provide your feedback by:

- using the 'contact us' form on the [homepage](#) of the website,
- emailing [contact@emrsettlement.co.uk](mailto:contact@emrsettlement.co.uk).

### **Introduction to the Electricity Market Reform (EMR) arrangements event for Suppliers on 7 December 2017**

The [Low Carbon Contracts Company \(LCCC\)](#) and EMRS are holding an '**Introduction to EMR arrangements**' event for Suppliers on **7 December 2017**.

This event will introduce new Suppliers to Contracts for Difference (CFD) and the Capacity Market (CM) schemes and will be of particular interest to Suppliers who have recently entered the electricity market or individuals from existing Suppliers that are new to EMR.

To register please email [contact@emrsettlement.co.uk](mailto:contact@emrsettlement.co.uk).

Further information is available on the [calendar page](#) of the EMRS website.

### **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**

### **CP1496 raised by ELEXON**

CP 1496 'Introduction of two data flows for the Commissioning process for Half Hourly (HH) Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) Current Transformer (CT) operated Metering Systems' was raised on 16 October 2017.

For more information on CP1496 please contact Chris Wood on 020 7380 4330 or email [bsc.change@elexon.co.uk](mailto:bsc.change@elexon.co.uk).

### **CP1497 raised by ELEXON**

CP 1497 'Introduction of data flows for Half Hourly Meter Operator Agents to pass on Commissioning information when there is a Change of Agent' was raised on 16 October 2017.

For more information on CP1497 please contact Cal Lynn on 020 7380 4142 or email [bsc.change@elexon.co.uk](mailto:bsc.change@elexon.co.uk).

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## **Next Performance Assurance Board meeting: 26 October 2017**

The next Performance Assurance Board (PAB) meeting is taking place on **Thursday 26 October 2017**. You can view all the open session papers on the [PAB meeting](#) page of our website. There are a number of items in the open session of the agenda this month that may be of interest to you.

**Risk Operating Plan 2018/19.** The Risk Operating Plan (ROP) sets out how the Performance Assurance Board (PAB) will provide assurance in respect of the Settlement Risks in the Risk Evaluation Register and the estimated cost of delivering this assurance for 2018/2019.

**Post-implementation Analysis of the Business Settlement Risk Rating Criteria Review.** This paper sets out the steps taken by ELEXON to evaluate the impact of the changes made to the BUSRR criteria of various Settlement Risks, which were implemented on 1 April and 1 May 2017.

**PAF KPIs.** This paper includes the October Key Performance Indicators for the Performance Assurance Framework.

**PAB 2018 meeting dates.** This paper sets out the PAB meeting dates for 2018

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

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## ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since 16 October 2017, we have published four ELEXON Circulars. These Circulars were for information and related to:

[EL02715](#): BMRS planned downtime: Tuesday 24 October 2017

[EL02714](#): Planned MIDP Outage on Tuesday 24 October 2017 – Impact on BMRS System Price Calculations

[EL02713](#): Correction to System Prices at R2 Settlement Run

[EL02712](#): Treatment of Volume Notification on the 'Long' Clock Change Day: Sunday 29 October 2017

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

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## Upcoming meetings and events

**31 October** - [Supplier Volume Allocation Group](#)

**2 November** - [Trading Disputes Committee](#)

**8 November** - [Supplier Volume Allocation Forum](#)

**9 November** - [BSC Panel](#)

**16 November** - [Software Technical Advisory Group](#)

**22 November** - [Introducing ELEXON seminar](#)

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