



Newscast

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Coming up this week

22 November

[Introducing ELEXON seminar](#) at **10:00**

[ELEXON responds to Ofgem's consultation on delivering faster and more reliable switching](#)

ELEXON has responded to [Ofgem's consultation on delivering faster and more reliable switching](#). Our response, as the code manager for the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC), focuses on the future governance aspects of this consultation.

The proposed faster switching arrangements will not impact BSC central systems, but there are potentially minor changes to the Non Half Hourly Data Aggregation (NHHDA) software which we maintain on behalf of Suppliers.

All our responses to industry consultations are published on the [Industry Insights](#) section of our website.

[The Essential Tasks of Third Party Market Operators in the Electricity Market](#)

Europex, the Association of European Energy Exchanges, has published a [short brief](#) on what ELEXON and others like us in Europe do. This was developed following the effort Europex made to get ELEXON and other non-Transmission System Operator imbalance settlement organisations recognised in European legislation, with the aim of ensuring that the current arrangements in several Member States (including GB) did not need to change unnecessarily and at cost to the consumer. Particularly over the past few years with the Electricity Balancing Guideline and now with the Clean Energy Package.

This document, and further information on European legislation, is available on the [Europe](#) page of our website.

[Read the latest Operations Reports](#)

The [October Trading Operations Report](#) and the BSC Operations [Headline Report for September and October](#) have been published on the [Industry Insights](#) section of our website.

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.

In the BSC Operations Headline Report you will find commentary on BSC market operation, identification of key events and reporting of key data.

For further information and data analysis please visit the the [Industry Insights](#) section of our website.

November Half Hourly Settlement update by Ofgem

Ofgem is continuing to work with ELEXON and the Performance Assurance Board to monitor Suppliers' performance in meeting their obligations under P272, and ensure the swift migration of outstanding sites.

The final elective Half Hourly Settlement changes went live on 29 June 2017. This means that the full package of changes to enable cost-effective elective HHS is now in place.

Read the full [update by Ofgem](#).

Modifications, Change and Implementation

P354 Assessment Procedure Consultation

We have issued [P354 'Use of ABSVD for non-BM Balancing Services at the metered \(MPAN\) level'](#) for Assessment Procedure Consultation, which you are invited to respond to by **17:00 on Friday 15 December 2017**. You can download the consultation from the [P354](#) page of our website.

Who will be impacted?

- Suppliers
- Half Hourly Data Aggregators
- Non-Balancing Mechanism Balancing Services Providers
- Transmission Company

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this Modification further, please contact **Claire Kerr** on 020 7380 4293 or email bsc.change@elexon.co.uk.

Electricity Market Reform (EMR) update

Change of deadline: Reminder of the process for Applicants to lodge Credit Cover

On 15 November 2017, [EMR Delivery Body](#) confirmed that Prequalification Results Day was **13 November 2017**, as a result the deadline for posting Credit Cover has changed to **4 December 2017**. Further details are available on the [EMR Delivery Body](#) website and the [EMR Delivery Body's Operational Plan](#) has been updated to reflect the changes. [EMR Circular 142](#) highlights the process and dates for Applicants to lodge Credit Cover with [Electricity Settlements Company](#) (ESC). The Credit Cover process is managed by EMRS on their behalf.

Adjusted Interim Levy Rate Notice issued to Suppliers

[Low Carbon Contracts Company](#) (LCCC) adjusted the Interim Levy Rate to **£1.567/MWh** from **£2.517/MWh**, effective from **15 November 2017** until **31 December 2017** the end of the current quarterly obligation period.

On behalf of LCCC, EMRS issued an Adjusted Interim Levy Rate Notice to **Suppliers**. [EMR Circular](#)

143 provides information on why the rate has been reduced, how this affects Interim Rate payments and Credit Cover requirements.

Consultation on Low Carbon Contracts Company and Electricity Settlements Company Operational Costs 2018/19 to 2020/21

Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) launched the [consultation on the Low Carbon Contracts Company \(LCCC\) and the Electricity Settlements Company \(ESC\) operational costs 2018/19 to 2020/21](#).

BEIS are seeking views on the proposed 2018/19 to 2020/21 operational cost budgets and resulting levies for LCCC and ESC. They'd also like your views on a proposal to amend legislation so that the levies can be set more than one Financial Year in advance. The consultation closes on **8 December 2017** and responses can be emailed to LCCC-ESCooperationalcosts@beis.gov.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.

About EMRS

EMR Settlement Ltd (EMRS) is a wholly owned subsidiary of ELEXON Ltd and delivers services as the Settlement Services for the Contracts for Difference (CFD) and Capacity Market (CM) schemes under the Government's Electricity Market Reform (EMR).

BSC Panel Headline Report published

The BSC Panel met on [9 November 2017](#) and the [Headline Report](#) is now available. This report sets out the headlines and key decisions of the Panel's most recent meeting.

ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since 13 November 2017, we have published three ELEXON Circulars. These Circulars were for information and related to:

[EL02726](#): Planned National Grid BSAD Outage: Saturday 18 November 2017

[EL02725](#): ELEXON power outage: 18:00 Friday 24 November – 18:00 Sunday 26 November 2017

[EL02724](#): Planned downtime affecting connectivity to BSC Central Systems: Saturday 18 to Sunday 19 November 2017

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

Upcoming meetings and events

30 November - [Performance Assurance Board](#)

5 December - [Supplier Volume Allocation Group](#)

7 December - [Trading Disputes Committee](#)

11 December - [Imbalance Settlement Group](#)

12 December - [Joint European Stakeholder Group](#)

14 December - [BSC Panel](#)

21 December - [Performance Assurance Board](#)

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