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Coming up this week

15 May

[Half Hourly Settlement consultation stakeholder event](#) at **10:00**

16 May

[Technical Assurance of Metering Expert Group \(TAMEG\)](#) at **10:00**

17 May

[Software Technical Advisory Group \(STAG\)](#) at **10:30**

ELEXON webinar: how customers could buy power from multiple providers

On **5 June 2018 at 12:00**, ELEXON is hosting an hour long webinar to discuss our recently [published white paper](#), which offers an ELEXON view of how BSC central services could be adapted to offer Settlement solutions in support of individual customers buying electricity from more than one supplier. We believe that relatively straightforward amendments to BSC central services (building upon the changes we will be delivering in 2019 to open the Balancing Mechanism to independent aggregators) could form the basis of new industry arrangements that allow customers the flexibility to buy electricity from multiple providers.

[Register now](#) as this webinar will:

- Explain our proposed solution in more detail
- Step through an example scenario
- Discuss the impact on Suppliers

If you have any questions, please email communications@elexon.co.uk.

BSC Operations Headline Report published

The [BSC Operations Headline Report for March and April](#) has been published on the [BSC Operations Headline Reports](#) section of our website. In this report you will find commentary on BSC market operation, identification of key events and reporting of key data.

The March and April BSC Operations Headline Report highlights:

- how Scottish Transmission Loss Multipliers have changed as a result of BSC Modification P350
- the high GSP Group Correction Factors seen on Easter Monday
- Metered volumes exceeding Demand Capacity during March 2018
- no generation was produced from Coal Balancing Mechanism Units for five days during April.

Also included are the regular articles on System Prices, Trading Charges and Energy Balancing volumes.

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

Reminder: Consultation on increasing the Credit Assessment Price (CAP) closes tomorrow 15 May 2018

On **8 May 2018**, we issued a consultation paper on the value of Credit Assessment Price (CAP), available on the [Consultations page](#) of our website. We invited Trading Parties to indicate whether they agree with the proposal to **increase the value** of CAP to **£53/MWh**, from its current approved level of £47/MWh.

The deadline for consultation responses is 17:00, Tuesday 15 May 2018.

Trading Parties can comment on this consultation using the consultation proforma available on the [CAP Consultation page](#) of our website.

Please send your responses to Credit.Committee@exelon.co.uk.

For more information, please refer to ELEXON Circular [EL02813](#).

Have your say: ELEXON Consultation on skeleton Target Operating Models

We invite you to reply to our [consultation on skeleton Target Operating Models](#). The deadline for responding is **08:00 on 29 May 2018**.

To maximise the opportunities provided by a smart flexible energy system, Ofgem launched the [Settlement Reform Significant Code Review](#) last year. The objective is to develop and implement an enduring process to enable Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement. One of the key products of the Significant Code Review is the development of a Target Operating Model (TOM). This describes how the Settlement arrangements (including market participants, industry organisations, code bodies) will need to change to deliver market-wide Half Hourly Settlement.

The TOM design work has been developed by the ELEXON-led Design Working Group, which has produced five high level skeleton TOM options, as set out in this consultation. Ofgem has approved the skeleton TOMs, concluding the first stage of the TOM design work. The Design Working Group will now, through this consultation and a stakeholder seminar, seek stakeholder views on the skeleton TOMs to inform them as they proceed in stage 2. This where the detailed design of the skeleton TOMs will be undertaken.

To respond to this Consultation, please email design.authority@exelon.co.uk by **08:00 on 29 May 2018**.

Half Hourly Settlement design consultation stakeholder event: 15 May 2018

We are hosting a [stakeholder event on the Half Hourly Settlement design consultation](#) tomorrow **15 May 2018**, from **10:00 to 15:00** at [ELEXON's offices](#).

The morning will focus on presenting the five skeleton [Target Operating Models](#) (TOMs) developed by the Design Working Group and approved by Ofgem. These describe options for the end-to-end Settlement process for Half Hourly Settlement.

We will inform you on the skeleton TOM designs and their principles. We can also provide additional detail that you may require before responding to the consultation.

Ofgem will also give an update on the Significant Code Review including their policy work on Data Privacy, Agent Functions and the Business Case for Half Hourly Settlement.

There will be an opportunity for questions and comments from the audience throughout the day.

We will devote part of the afternoon to present our [White paper: Enabling customers to buy power from multiple providers](#). This white paper offers an ELEXON view of how BSC central services could be adapted to offer Settlement solutions in support of individual customers buying electricity from more than one energy provider.

This is a great opportunity for you to ask Jon Spence, the author from ELEXON's Design Authority team.

For further information, please visit the [Half Hourly Settlement consultation stakeholder event](#) page of our website.

Commissioning November Release Changes Education Day: 7 June 2018

We are hosting a [Commissioning November Release Changes Education Day](#) on **7 June 2018**, from **10:00 to 16:00**, at [ELEXON's offices](#).

This education day is targeted at Licensed Distribution System Operators, Half Hourly Meter Operators, Half Hourly Suppliers and is intended to give an overview of the following BSC Change Proposals, to be implemented on **1 November 2018**, as part of the November 2018 Release:

- [CP1495](#) 'Introduction of a rejection response dataflow for a D0170 'Request for Meter System Related Details' request from the Meter Operator Agent to the Licensed Distribution System Operator where a D0215 'Provision of Site Technical Details' response is required' (and related MRA Change DTC CP 3523).
- [CP1496](#) 'Introduction of two data flows for the Commissioning process for Half Hourly (HH) Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) Current Transformer (CT) operated Metering Systems' (and related MRA Change DTC CP 3522).
- [CP1497](#) 'Introduction of data flows for Half Hourly Meter Operator Agents to pass on Commissioning information when there is a Change of Agent'.

The day will also give an opportunity to participants to ask any questions they may have related to the implementation of these changes. The proposed structure of the day is:

- Overview of Change Proposals and how they affect Parties BSC obligations.
- Examples of different scenarios in which these dataflows will be used and how they differ between processes.
- Frequently Asked Questions.

This education day will provide BSC Parties with a clearer understanding of their obligations in relation to the new processes implemented as part of BSC CPs 1495, 1496 and 1497 and answer any questions that Parties have around the implementation of these CPs.

To register, please complete the form on the [Commissioning November Release Changes Education Day](#) page of our website.

If you would like to submit a question to be covered on the day, please email metering@elexon.co.uk using the subject heading 'Frequently Asked Questions – November Commissioning Changes'.

P305 update: Dynamic Loss of Load Probability (LoLP) files for Stage 2

The solution to Approved Modification [P305 'Electricity Balancing Significant Code Review Developments'](#) specified that it should be delivered in two stages:

- Stage 1 was implemented on 5 November 2015 as part of the November 2015 Release.
- Stage 2, which will be implemented on **1 November 2018**, makes the following changes to the Stage 1 solution:
 - The Price Average Reference (PAR) will be reduced from 50 MWh to 1 MWh.
 - The Value of Lost Load (VoLL) will be increased from £3,000/MWh to £6,000/MWh.
 - The 'Static' method for the calculation of Loss of Load Probability (LoLP) for use in Settlement and publication on the Balancing Mechanism Reporting Service (BMRS) website will be replaced by a 'Dynamic' method.

To facilitate the transition from using 'Static' LoLP to 'Dynamic' LoLP, we have started to publish 'Dynamic' LoLP for the year **1 November 2017 – 31 October 2018**. To access this data, we have created a ['Dynamic' LoLP data](#) page on the ELEXON Portal, which can be accessed from the Systems Data page.

So far we have published a single file containing 'Dynamic' LoLP data for the period 1 November 2017 to 30 April 2018. For the period **1 May 2018 to 31 October 2018**, we will publish 'Dynamic' LoLP on a weekly basis. The first of these weekly files was published on 9 May 2018.

Please note that the 'Dynamic' LoLP data published on the ELEXON Portal is for information only and will not be used in the calculation of Imbalance Prices, published to allow the comparison of 'Static' and 'Dynamic' LoLP for any Settlement Period in the year up to the implementation of P305 Stage 2 on **1 November 2018**.

Finally please also note that if you are not already registered as a Portal user, you will need to [register](#) before you can access this page.

Modifications, Change and Implementation

Live Consultations

Deadline for responding: **15 May, 17:00**

P361 Assessment Procedure Consultation

We have issued [P361 'Revised treatment of BSC Charges for Lead Parties of Interconnector BM Units'](#) for Assessment Procedure Consultation, which you are invited to respond by **17:00 on 15 May 2018**. You can download this consultation from the P361 page of our website.

Who will be impacted?

- Interconnector Users
- Interconnector Error Administrators
- Suppliers
- Generators
- Non-Physical Traders

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this Modification further, please call **Harry Parsons** on **020 7380 4321** or email bsc.change@elexon.co.uk.

P344 Report Phase Consultation

Deadline for responding: **1 June, 17:00**

On 11 May 2018, ELEXON issued [P344 'Project TERRE implementation into GB market arrangements'](#) for Report Phase Consultation. P344 seeks to align the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) with the European Balancing Project TERRE (Trans European Replacement Reserves Exchange) requirements. This is in order to allow the implementation of the TERRE balancing product at national level and hence ensure compliance with the

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- P344 is expected to impact:
- BSC Parties
- Non-Balancing Mechanism participants
- The Transmission Company
- Half Hourly Data Aggregators (HHDA's)
- ELEXON and its BSC Agents

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this Modification further, please contact **Elliott Harper** on **020 7380 4302** or email bsc.change@elxon.co.uk.

P359 Report Phase Consultation

Deadline for responding: **1 June, 17:00**

[P359 Mechanised process for GC/DC declarations](#) will be issued for Report Phase Consultation on **16 May 2018**. P359 seeks to introduce a new mechanised process for Generation Capacity (GC) and Demand Capacity (DC) re-declarations following a 'GC/DC breach'.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this Modification further, please call **Jemma Williams** on **020 7380 4308** or email bsc.change@elxon.co.uk.

P367 raised

At its meeting on 10 May 2018, the BSC Panel agreed to raise [P367 'Removal of obsolete SBR and DSBR arrangements'](#). P367 proposes to remove all Supplemental Balancing Reserve (SBR) and Demand Side Balancing Reserve (DSBR) requirements, definitions, and references from the BSC and subsidiary documents. This Modification will be issued for Report Phase Consultation on **16 May 2018**.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this Modification further, please call **Sasha Townsend** on **020 7380 4107** or email bsc.change@elxon.co.uk.

P360 withdrawn

On 11 May 2018, ELEXON received a formal notification from the Proposer (National Grid) of Modification [P360 'Making the BSC's imbalance price compliant with the European Balancing Guideline'](#) to withdraw it from the BSC Change process.

In light of the [recent Ofgem decision](#) to reject ELEXON's request for a derogation from Article 55 of the EB GL due to insufficient evidence to determine non-compliance the Proposer feels it is not in the consumers' interest to pursue P360 to the point where Ofgem would be required to determine whether or not there is a defect in the current BSC that could be remedied by P360.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this Modification further, please call **Lawrence Jones** on **020 7380 4118** or email bsc.change@elxon.co.uk.

New market participant

EDTC LTD (Party Id: EDTC) has successfully acceded to the Balancing and Settlement Code, effective from 8 May 2018. This Party intend to register in the role of Non Physical Trader.

If you have any questions about the market entry process, please email market.entry@elxon.co.uk.

ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since 8 May 2018, we have published five ELEXON Circulars. These Circulars were for information and related to:

- [EL02817](#): ELEXON IT system outage from 10:00 to 14:00 on Saturday 19 May 2018
- [EL02816](#): Update - Planned National Grid BM outage on Thursday 10 May 2018
- [EL02815](#): New Party Novation application – Heartlands Power Limited (Party Id: FDUN1)
- [EL02814](#): Possible National Grid MODIS downtime on 9 May 2018
- [EL02813](#): Credit Assessment Price (CAP) review consultation issued

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

Upcoming meetings and events

- 22 May** - [Imbalance Settlement Group](#)
- 24 May** - [P361 Working Group](#)
- 29 May** - [Supplier Volume Allocation Group](#)
- 31 May** - [Performance Assurance Board](#)
- 5 June** - [ELEXON webinar: how customers could buy power from multiple providers](#)
- 7 June** - [Trading Disputes Committee](#)
- 7 June** - [Commissioning November Release Changes Education Day](#)
- 12 June** - [Joint European Stakeholder Group](#)
- 13 June** - [Design Working Group](#)
- 14 June** - [BSC Panel](#)



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