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Coming up this week

17 July[Participant Manager User Group](#) at **10:00**[P344 WS1 Industry Workgroup](#) at **10:00**[Imbalance Settlement Group](#) at **10:00**[Design Working Group](#) at **10:00****18 July**[Technical Assurance of Metering Group](#) at **10:00****19 July**[Software Technical Advisory Group](#) at **10:00**

ELEXON annual BSC meeting: the road to change and innovation

On 12 July 2018, ELEXON held its Annual BSC meeting and ELEXON seminar. The meeting was attended by BSC Parties, representatives from the industry, and members of the ELEXON Board and BSC Panel.

This year we had the privilege to host three exceptional keynote speakers: Dan Monzani Director of Energy Security, Networks and Markets, BEIS, Lord Hutton, Chair of Energy UK and Victoria MacGregor, Director of Energy at Citizens Advice.

The meeting, hosted by Michael Gibbons CBE, Chair of ELEXON and the BSC Panel, focused on supporting change and innovation, as both industry and customers witness a rapidly-changing energy market.

After a warm welcome from Michael Gibbons, first to speak was ELEXON CEO Mark Bygraves. Mark reflected on the achievements of last year for ELEXON and EMRS. In the face of this unprecedented amount of change, ELEXON's CEO demonstrated the firm's clear drive to concentrate on the future and highlighted two factors that will support ELEXON's objective to enable innovation: technology, and simplification and consolidation of code work.

Our keynote speakers focused their contributions on the initiatives and solutions being developed and implemented to enable change and innovation, that support decarbonisation, ensure security of supply and deliver smart, flexible systems, to the benefit of the customers.

[Read the full news report.](#)

Have your say: Consultation on increasing the Credit Assessment Price (CAP)

Following an increase in forward market prices, a Credit Assessment Price (CAP) review was triggered.

We have issued a consultation paper on the value of the Credit Assessment Price (CAP). This is available on the [Consultations page](#) of our website. Do you agree with the proposal to **increase the value** of CAP to **£59/MWh** from its current value of £53/MWh?

How does this affect me?

This potentially affects the amount of Credit Cover that Parties are required to lodge, and so we encourage Parties to respond to the consultation.

How do I respond?

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

If all respondents and Credit Committee members agree with the proposed value, there will be no Credit Committee meeting and the new CAP value will be implemented on the proposed date of **Wednesday 15 August 2018**. However, if one or more respondents or a Credit Committee member requests it, ELEXON will arrange a Credit Committee meeting after the consultation closes to determine the new CAP.

You can find more information on the CAP, the Credit Committee and the review process on the [Credit Committee page](#) of our website. We have also published [FAQs](#) to help you become more familiar with this process.

Please send your responses to Credit.Committee@elexon.co.uk by **17:00 on 24 July 2018**.

European consultation on the harmonisation of imbalance settlement

The [European Guideline on Electricity Balancing](#) become law in December last year. One of its provisions (Article 52) requires that all Transmission System Operators (TSOs) make a proposal to harmonise key elements of imbalance settlement across Europe. This is clearly likely to impact the current BSC arrangements. This proposal has now been published and will be open for public consultation between today **16 July and 28 September 2018**.

The consultation can be found on the [ENTSO-E website](#). Following the consultation, the European TSOs will make a final proposal to the European Regulators and if approved, there will be an 18 month implementation period. We might expect this would require any Modifications to the BSC to be raised in mid-2019 and to be implemented by the end of 2020.

We urge our stakeholders who might be impacted by the proposals to respond to this consultation as this is the only public consultation on this subject required by the Guideline.

The Design Working Group thanks respondents of the skeleton Target Operating Model consultation

One of the key outputs of Ofgem's Significant Code Review on Electricity Settlement Reform is the development of a Target Operating Model (TOM) for market-wide Half Hourly Settlement. The ELEXON-led Design Working Group (DWG) recently consulted on five skeleton TOM options. We received 19 responses, which you can find

on the [DWG](#) page of our website.

ELEXON and the DWG thank all respondents for taking the time to provide views. The DWG is encouraged that the responses confirm all five TOMs to be viable options and that it has not missed any other TOM or significant aspects of design. The responses show that there is no industry consensus at this stage on an overall preferred TOM. As a result, the DWG will take all of the TOMs forward for further detailed design and evaluation. You can find a more detailed summary of the DWG's discussion of the responses in its [Meeting 8 Headline Report](#).

The DWG looks forward to continuing to engage with you over the next year as its work progresses.

Update on AFYC Effective From Date file error in MDD Version 270

We have noted MDD version 270 contained a file error due to a removal of an incorrect AFYC Effective From Date, which seems to have affected the successful loading of this file for some Participants. Following on from [MDD Circular 637](#), a fix has been implemented and will be republished as an additional MDD version (271) today, **16 July 2018** with a Go-live Date of **18 July 2018**.

If you have any queries loading version 271 without an amended version 270 please email the BSC Service Desk bscservicedesk@cgi.com who will arrange for a tailored version of 270 to be sent to you.

ELEXON has amended the MDD Release Schedule for the remainder of the year due to an additional version being published in the MDD calendar.

The Fast Track Change Request Deadline for the upcoming MDD Version 272 is now **17:00 on 17 July 2018**.

The full MDD Release Schedule with changes is now available on the [MDD Release Schedule](#) page of our website.

Please note that changes to the MDD Release Schedule are effective immediately.

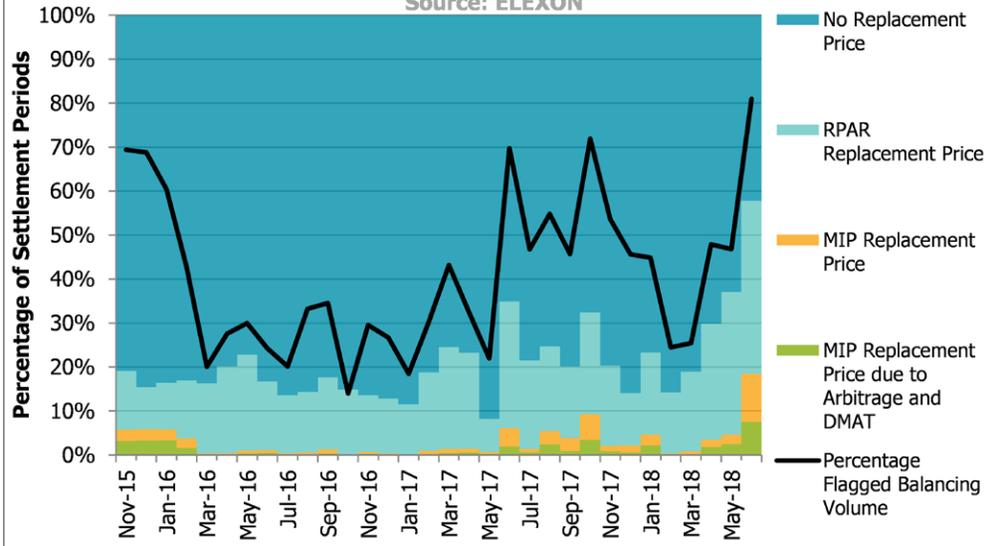
June System Price Analysis Report published

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 Modification [P305 'Electricity Balancing Significant Code Review developments'](#) implemented in November 2015. Further changes as part of P305 will come in effect on 1 November 2018.

The [latest SPAR](#), reporting on June 2018, is now available on the [System Price Analysis Report](#) page of our website. This month's SPAR includes an appendix on the increased occurrence of the Replacement Price setting the System Price.

Graph 1 - Use of the Replacement Price and flagged actions since P305 when the market is long

Source: ELEXON



The Replacement Price was used to set the Imbalance Price in 21% of long Settlement Periods, and 5% of short Settlement Periods, between November 2015 and June 2018. However in recent months this has risen, reaching 58% of long Settlement Periods in June 2018.

In June, the Market Index Price set the Imbalance Price in 18% of long Settlement Periods, compared to an average 3% of long Settlement Periods since the introduction of P305.

For further information, please email market.analysis@elexon.co.uk.

CALF values for the Autumn 2018 BSC Season: 1 August 2018 appeal deadline

The Credit Assessment Load Factor (CALF) values for the Autumn 2018 BSC Season, which runs from **1 September to 30 November 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 pro forma in Appendix 7 of the [CALF Guidance document](#) and email it to bscservicedesk@cgi.com by **1 August 2018**. To find out more about CALF appeals, please see Section 12 of the CALF Guidance document.

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

Market Reports survey: We want your opinion

We would like to gather feedback from BSC Parties on the usefulness or otherwise of our Market Reports which have been produced as a proof of concept on the [ELEXON Portal](#) from February 2018. In particular, to determine whether we should continue providing the reports.

What are Market Reports

We designed Market Reports as an alternative way to access the SAA I014 sub flow 2 Settlements Data. The goal was to provide an easier access to this type of Settlement Data.

There are three Market Reports, each aimed at providing a simple collated and aggregated version of Settlement Data that enable time series analysis and peer comparison:

Market Report 1A provides a summary of the core components for calculating the Total Cashflow that Parties pay in the Advice Notes. The data is summed for each Party on each Settlement Date.

Market Report 2A provides data that can be used to analyse and view trends of Trading Charges that are paid through the Funds Administration Advice Notes.

Market Report 3A provides data on the operation of individual Balancing Mechanism (BM) Units for each BSC Party. It can be used to view the performance of BM Units and for reviewing the Generation and Demand Capacity.

The Market Reports can be downloaded from [ELEXON Portal](#). You need to be a BSC Party and have a Portal account to log in.

Feedback survey

Please take a few of minutes to fill in a [short online feedback form](#). The survey will close on **24 July 2018**. Please note Internet Explorer doesn't support this url if your machine has TLS 1.0, TLS 1.1, and TLS 1.2 disabled. Please use an alternative browser.

Want to know more? Please email market.operations@elexon.co.uk.

BSC Panel Headline Report published

The BSC Panel met on 12 July 2018 and the [Headline Report](#) is now available. This report sets out the headlines and key decisions of the Panel's most recent meeting.

Modifications, Change and Implementation

Invitation to take part in P370 Industry Workgroup

On 12 July 2018 the BSC Panel raised Modification [P370 'Allow the Panel to designate non-BSC Parties to raise Modifications'](#). This Modification seeks to allow the Panel to designate bodies representative of interested third parties to raise BSC Modifications and for the Authority to be the appeals body.

The first Workgroup meeting for this Modification is planned to be held on either **30 July, 2 August** or **3 August 2018**. We are seeking members with expertise in BSC Governance, BSC Modification Procedures or non-BSC Parties who may be looking to raise Modifications in the future.

If you would like to join the [P370](#) Workgroup or attend as a non-voting attendee, please email bsc.change@elexon.co.uk indicating your availability for the dates provided. Please respond by **17:00 on 19 July 2018**.

Further information on P370 can be found on the P370 page of our website. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss the work streams further, please contact **Cal Lynn** on 020 7380 4206 or email bsc.change@elexon.co.uk

ELEXON Dispute Decisions

The view of the Disputes Secretariat on Trading Dispute DA912 is now available on the [Dispute Decisions](#) page of our website. If you believe you should have been notified as an affected Party, please contact us at disputes@elexon.co.uk and we will take the Dispute to the Trading Disputes Committee.

Trading Dispute DA912 was raised by a Supplier after discovering that the de-energisation date for a Half Hourly (HH) site was set to an incorrect date. ELEXON considers Trading Dispute DA912 to be invalid on the basis that a Settlement Error does not exist and the £3,000 materiality threshold specified in BSCP11 would not be met.

ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since 9 July 2018, we have published seven ELEXON Circulars. These Circulars were for information and related to:

[EL02852](#): Credit Assessment Price (CAP) review consultation issued

[EL02851](#): Scheduled maintenance to BSC Central Systems: Saturday 14 - 15 July 2018

[EL02850](#): Planned National Grid BM outage on Tuesday 17 July 2018

[EL02849](#): Update: Default Data used for multiple Settlement Dates

[EL02848](#): Planned ELEXON IT systems outage between 17:00 – 23:00 on Monday 16 July 2018

[EL02847](#): Possible National Grid MODIS downtime: Wednesday 11 July 2018

[EL02846](#): Update: Default Data used for multiple Settlement Dates

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

Upcoming meetings and events

26 July - [Performance Assurance Board](#)

31 July - [Supplier Volume Allocation Group](#)

2 August - [Trading Disputes Committee](#)

9 August - [BSC Panel](#)

14 August - [Joint European Strategy Group](#)



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