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Coming up this week

30 October[Supplier Volume Allocation Group](#) at **10:00****1 November**[Trading Disputes Committee](#) at **10:00**

BMRS changes for the November 2018 BSC Release

The November 2018 BSC system release will go live on **1 November 2018**. There are two approved Modifications, eight approved Change Proposals (CPs) and one pending Change Proposal in the final scope of this Release. Two of the CPs will impact the Balancing Mechanism Reporting Service (BMRS):

1. [CP1503 'Changes to European Transparency Regulation data to align with latest ENTSO-e Manual of Procedures'](#) will amend some of the existing European Transparency Regulation Data (ETR) flows and provide improvement to existing ETR outage reports on the BMRS website.
2. [CP1506 'New Interconnector fuel type'](#) seeks to enable the BMRS to receive and publish additional interconnector Fuel Type data (Nemo Link Interconnector).

The BMRS website, BMRS APIs, Data Push Service and TIBCO feed will all reflect the changes from the CPs. The full scope is included on the [November 2018 release page](#) on the ELEXON website. The detailed changes to API responses will also be incorporated into the [BMRS API and Data Push Guide](#). Please refer to the [Release Circular](#) for details of the implementation.

Please note that an outage is required to deploy the November Release on **31 October** from **18:00 (GMT)** and you can read more in [ELEXON Circular EL02900](#).

REMINDER: Final part of P305 goes live on 1 November 2018

Three elements of the [System Price Calculation](#) are changing this week with the implementation of the final part of Approved BSC Modification [P305 'Electricity Balancing Significant Code Review developments'](#).

The parameter changes are:

- Price Average Reference (PAR) reducing from 50MWh to 1MWh
- Value of Lost Load (VoLL) increasing from £3,000/MWh to £6,000/MWh
- Loss of Load Probability (LoLP) calculation changing from a 'static' function to a 'dynamic' function

The values for PAR and VoLL will change on **1 November 2018**, and the LoLP will be calculated dynamically starting at **13:00** on **30 October 2018**. Please note that the change in the calculation of LoLP is taking place

sends to ELEXON on **30 October 2018**. For more information see circular [EL02901](#).

P305 was designed to be implemented in two parts, the first part was implemented on **5 November 2015**, progressing towards a more marginal price calculation when the final part will be implemented on **1 November 2018**.

We have been raising awareness of the impacts of part one and two of P305 in the [System Price Analysis Report](#), the [System Price Analysis Dashboard](#) and our [12 month review of P305](#).

For more information, or if you have any questions, please email market.operations@elexon.co.uk.

Delivering a more flexible and risk-based BSC Audit

This year, we are splitting the BSC Audit into two distinct approaches:

1. 'Central Systems' and Central Volume Allocation Meter Operator Agents (CVA MOAs) will remain within scope of the ISAE3000 Assurance Opinion.
2. Suppliers and Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) agents will now be in scope of a new Process Assessment engagement under ELEXON's Performance Assurance Framework (PAF).

Why the change?

We have changed the approach and methodology to facilitate further changes to BSC Audit site work and testing, to maximise the level of insight that the BSC Audit can provide, for both the CVA and SVA market, and to improve Performance Assurance Parties' (PAPs') overall experience of the BSC Audit service.

Comparisons to last year

For SVA and CVA markets, the general approach to on-site audit testing will remain largely unchanged, however we have reviewed the audit testing work papers and have implemented various improvements. We assessed existing audit testing work papers to prioritise the most effective work papers with the most issues to test the highest risk (based on impact/materiality) processes. This means we have greater oversight of the detailed on-site work undertaken by the BSC Auditor.

The number of site visits will remain consistent with previous years, and we have greater control over the PAP selection process for audit and audit intensities, as well as more flexible audit site work.

The table below outlines changes to key areas, comparing activities performed in 2017/18 and the plan for 2018/19:

2017/18	2018/19
60+ annual site visits performed.	60+ annual site visits performed with an opportunity to flex scope for PAPs mid-year when required.
On-site testing of process and control design and effectiveness.	On-site testing of design and effectiveness of processes performed to deliver scope set by ELEXON.
Independent ISAE3000 Reasonable Assurance Opinion provided.	No independent opinion provided. BSC Audit findings sent to ELEXON.
BSC Auditor owns scope of work.	ELEXON owns scope of work and materiality.
BSC Auditor maintains independence from subject matter.	Extensive collaboration between BSC Auditor and ELEXON. The BSC Auditor remains independent for purposes of ISAE3000 opinion for 'central systems' and CVA.
Supplier request formal management representation letters.	Customised senior management sign-off requested from all Suppliers and SVA Agents in scope (equivalent to a management representation letter).
BSC Auditor determines materiality.	Worst-case Settlement error calculated in collaboration with ELEXON.
BSC Audit Report and ISAE3000 opinion presented to the Performance Assurance Board (PAB) and BSC Panel, including overview of key findings and insights.	ELEXON-owned Process Assessment Report delivered to PAB and Panel, including overview of key findings and insights. Similar format to previous years with improvements.

We have published information on this new approach on our website, so please visit the [BSC Audit](#) section of our website for more details.

If you have any questions about the BSC Audit approach, please email bscaudit@exxon.co.uk.

Modifications, Change and Implementation

CP1512 raised

CP1512 'Improving the format of BSCP11 forms' seeks to enable ELEXON to progress a Trading Dispute efficiently by addressing several examples of unnecessary, redundant or incorrect wording and formatting in BSCP11 that could create confusion for BSC Parties involved in the Disputes, or rectification of Disputes processes. We raised CP1512 on **26 October 2018** and we will present to the Trading Disputes Committee for information on **1 November 2018**.

For more information on CP1512 please contact **Ivar Macsween** on **020 7380 4270** or email bsc.change@exxon.co.uk.

Issue 74 raised and seeking Issue Group members

National Grid ESO raised [Issue 74 'Increased utilisation of non-BM STOR'](#) on **25 October 2018**. The Electricity System Operator (ESO) received feedback from stakeholders that increased utilisation of non-BM STOR is causing issues on service visibility by reduced visibility of non-BM STOR actions. This is compared to other actions taken in the market, and makes it harder for market Parties to react to signals relating to non-BM STOR utilisation.

If you would like to join the Issue group, please email bsc.change@exxon.co.uk.

P370 issued for Assessment Procedure Consultation

[P370 'Allow the Panel to designate non-BSC Parties to raise Modifications'](#) is out for Assessment Procedure

P370 seeks to allow the BSC Panel, instead of Ofgem, to designate interested third parties to raise Modification Proposals and for Ofgem to become the appeals body. P370 also opens up the Issues process to non-BSC Parties.

We invite you to respond to this Assessment Procedure Consultation to provide your views on the Workgroup's initial recommendations for P370. Please email your response to bsc.change@elexon.co.uk using the consultation form by **12 November 2018**, or contact **Lawrence Jones** on **020 7380 4118** or email bsc.change@elexon.co.uk.

CPC00790 Impact Assessment of CP1510

[CP1510 'Allow the online management of registrations, Market Entry and Market Exit'](#) seeks to amend the Code Subsidiary Documents (CSDs) to allow participants to use the Self-Service Gateway being developed under ELEXON's Foundation Programme for data submissions.

The Change Proposal was issued for industry consultation and impact assessment as part of Change Proposal Circular CPC00790. Please email your response entitled **CPC00790 Consultation** to bsc.change@elexon.co.uk by **17:00** on **2 November 2018**.

For more information on CP1510 please contact **Matthew Woolliscroft** on **020 7380 4165** or email bsc.change@elexon.co.uk.

Next BSC Panel meeting: 8 November 2018

The next BSC Panel meeting is on **Thursday 8 November** 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 on **Thursday 1 November**.

If you would like to attend or have any queries, please email the [Panel Secretary](#) by **Tuesday 6 November**.

ELEXON Circulars published last week

Since **22 October**, we have published six ELEXON Circulars. The Circulars were for information and related to:

[EL02902](#): RESOLVED: Central Data Collection Agent (CDCA) unable to collect Meter Data via Corporate Telephone Network (CTN)

[EL02901](#): Implementation of Dynamic LoLP for P305 Stage 2

[EL02900](#): Planned downtime required for the November 2018 BSC Release deployment

[EL02899](#): Central Data Collection Agent (CDCA) unable to collect Meter Data via Corporate Telephone Network (CTN)

[EL02898](#): Consultation on changing the value of De Minimis Acceptance Threshold (DMAT) and Continuous Acceptance Duration Limit (CADL)

[EL02897](#): '2 – 14 Day Ahead' forecast data not updated on BMRS

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

Upcoming meetings and events

8 November - [BSC Panel](#)

13 November - [Design Working Group](#)

13 November - [Joint European Stakeholder Group](#)

20 November - [Imbalance Settlement Group](#)



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