The Settlement Process
Distribution Losses

**'A Settlements Eye View'** 

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# **Presentation Objectives**



• Distribution Losses

**Perspective from Settlements** 

- Root Causes
- **ELEXON** initiatives



#### **Settlements**





## **Distributions Losses**





#### **Uncorrected Energy Vs GSP Group Take**





#### **GSP Group Correction Factors**







Where  $\Sigma$  is the sum of energy within a half hour, this equation produces the GSP Group Correction Factor for that half hour settlement period.

# Long-term average correction





#### **Annual Demand Ratio (ADR)**







Where  $\Sigma$  is the sum of energy within a year, this equation produces the GSP Annual Demand Ratio (ADR), which is used to measure market performance.





- time-weighted average CF over a year measures 'shape' and 'volume' error
- ADR measures 'volume' error only

#### **ADR values**





#### Net Magnitude of Settlement Error ELEXON

From	То	as at	above unity	below unity	total error
08/02/99	07/02/00	NHH Review	221	6,764	6,985
08/02/99	07/02/00	Final Rec	276	3,559	3,835
11/01/01	10/01/02	latest RF	222	1,610	1,832
17/03/02	16/03/03	latest data	509	1,710	2,219

error in GWh

# **Potential Causes of ADR deviation from 1.0?**





# **GSP Metering**





- High Volumes / Low Numbers
- Strict Controls and Monitoring
- Long Established Systems
- CDCS / CDCA teething troubles
- CDCA Improvement

# **GSP Metered Volumes**



• PDSOs registrants of GSP metering



- Monitoring of Transmission Losses
- CVA registered embedded generation
- PDSOs review Aggregation Rules and submit LLFs for embedded generation

# HH Import





- Half Hourly Aggregation Exception Report
- ELEXON monitor missing half hourly data
- RF 27/03/2001 275
- RF 18/02/2002 61
- Over 1 year, this equates to 0-321 GWh improvement
- Access Issues: e.g. MOD, railways



#### NHH





- EAC / AA
- D0095 aggregation exception report
- Reading Frequency
- Unmetered Supplies

#### **NHH: EAC / AAs**





• EAC / AA

- Large EACs and AAs send ADR below 1.0.
- Negative EACs send ADR above 1.0
- ELEXON: large EAC / AA monitoring
- Poor Performance = Escalation to the Performance Assurance Board (PAB)

# **NHH: EAC / AAs Statistics**





- Erroneously Large EACs and AAs
  - Gross uncorrected energy error (Magnitude of issue) crystallised at RF or DF
  - Audit Year 2000/2001
     625 GWh
  - Audit Year 2002/2003
     354 GWh
  - Effect on ADR

#### NHH: D0095s





- The D0095 Aggregation Exception Report is Produced by the Non Half Hourly Data Aggregator (NHHDA)
- Reports on inconsistencies between SMRS and DC and missing consumption Data

# **Reading Frequency**





- Less Frequent Reads leads to seasonal profile
   error
- Only creates volume error if meters are not read by RF
- The Target for NHH is 97% of NHH energy on Annualised Advances (AAs)
- PAB escalation Process
- Vacant but energised premises will be settled on EACs until access is gained

# **Unmetered Supplies**





- Load Research on Street Lights (Currently in Progress)
- EACs and inventories are then responsibility of the UMSO (Distribution)
- This represents 1% of the total energy in the market.

## **Unmetered Supplies**

#### **Continued... (Market Share)**







## **Unmetered Supplies**





- Suppliers have the option to choose equivalent metering (e.g. LAMP and FLARE) and trade Half Hourly
- This increases accuracy

# **HH Export**





- Cannot be estimated without a Meter Advance Reconciliation (MAR)
- Suppliers incentivised to account for all export volumes





• Represents a small slice of the pie





- Registration, connections / disconnections not registered in SMRS
- Energisation Status
- Line Loss Factor Estimate Accuracy
- Illegal Abstraction
- Metering

#### Registration, Connection and Disconnection **ELEXON**



- Unregistered metering
   systems
- Untraded MPANs in SMRS
- ELEXON has no visibility of magnitude of error
- Retrospective correction of (dis)connection in SMRS (review of MAP04)

## **Energisation Status**



- Issue raised by PDSOs that DUoS revenue was being lost due to inaccurate data on energisation at SMRS
- ELEXON project concluded that areas of noncompliance that are impacting Settlements data
- SVG have approved a programme of quarterly monitoring, guidance to Suppliers, and improvements to the current process.
- Monitored by the PAB



#### Line Loss Factor Estimate Accuracy ELEXON



- Seasonal Errors are inevitable.
- Shape Errors resulting from the application of LLFs to profile data (which itself contains shape errors)
- Established Distribution Business
   Processes for deriving Line Loss Factors

   (with long series of sales/purchase
   ratios) should mitigate risk of volume
   errors.

# **Illegal Abstraction**





- ELEXON has no visibility of this issue
- The responsibility for this falls under Revenue Protection
- Settlement supports Revenue Protection adjustments
- Low Volume?

# Metering





- Codes of Practice
- Technical Assurance
- Certification of Meters
- Proving Tests

#### and finally... Settlement Vs DUoS Measurement ELEXON



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- NOT a cause of Error
- Two different views
- This can decrease visibility
- SVG agreed regular comparisons of DUoS and Settlement in order to improve settlement data quality
- PDSO involvement in progressing Change Proposal
- Post Final Disputes agreed outside settlement

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**Perspective from Settlements** 

Root Causes

• What are we doing about Losses?





#### Lunch



