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Electricity Settlement Reform Newsletter:

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Dear Colleague,

This is the third edition of our monthly newsletter, which provides a roundup of all that is happening within the Settlement Reform programme. This month we are focussing on the working groups' progress through May.

We continue to welcome any feedback on work being carried out, and also on any preferences you have for how we keep you updated on progress, especially during the current period when organisations' time is so limited.

An archive of previous editions of this newsletter can be found under the Newsletter subheading on the [Settlement Reform webpage](#). The first edition, [March 2020](#), includes useful background information.

For any questions or feedback, please get in touch via the Half-Hourly Settlement team mailbox:

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Draft Impact Assessment and consultation

As discussed in our [May Newsletter](#), we recently published our draft impact assessment and consultation document. The consultation is now open for just over 12 weeks, and will close 14/09/2020. Responses should be sent to the team at half-hourlysettlement@ofgem.gov.uk no later than 5pm Mon 14th September 2020. Non-confidential responses will be published on our website. Please see [our website](#) for more details about the consultation and how to respond.

Target Operating Model Working Groups

Due to the coronavirus national emergency and the subsequent social distancing measures put in place by the Government, the CCDG and AWG meetings have moved to remote meetings over skype. Further information on our approach to the TOM working groups during this time can be found in the [May edition](#) of our newsletter.

ELEXON experienced a cyber-attack on their internal IT systems on the 14th of May. While this did not affect core BSC systems, members of ELEXON staff working on the TOM working groups had limited access to internal IT systems from the time of the incident to early June. This lack of access limited the progress ELEXON could make between working group meetings, which has affected the progress of meetings 6 and 7 of both the AWG and CCDG. More information can be found on [the ELEXON website](#).

Code Change and Development Group (CCDG)

Due to the cyber-attack on ELEXON's IT systems, CCDG meeting 06 was held over Ofgem's teleconference facilities. The Q&A session with the ELEXON Technical Lead of the AWG that was scheduled for CCDG06 also needed to be postponed and will now take place at CCDG07.

[CCDG06](#) – 19th May 2020: The group continued to discuss the approach to settlement run-off, registration data items, the appointments process, Load Shape categories, defaulting rules, and the transition approach to GSP Group Correction Factors and Scaling Weights. You can find more detail in the [CCDG06 Headline Report](#) which will be published on the ELEXON website shortly.

The main points of note from the above CCDG discussions are as follows:

- The group is continuing to consider different options for handling the Settlement run-off arrangements, including one that would set a cut-off beyond which no further amendments could be made to Non Half Hourly Settlement data for migrated MPANs. This will be discussed further at a future CCDG.

- The group refined the approach to suppliers appointing their TOM service providers for settlement purposes. They agreed to pursue a solution where the notification of appointments go through SMRS. SMRS will notify service providers of appointments, and notify suppliers if a service provider rejects an appointment. The working group also agreed to review the registration design after the AWG-CCDG subgroup has completed its review of the business requirements for data exchange between registration services and other TOM services.
- The group also discussed defaulting rules, and agreed to use data from the load shaping service for all three market segments for active import and default to zero for active export.
- The group discussed possible approaches to the transition to the new scaling weights for GSP Group Correction, including a proposal to use a threshold of MPANs or volume of energy that has transitioned to the TOM services before the new scaling weights are introduced. This will be discussed further at CCDG07.

Next CCDG meeting: at CCDG07 on 16 June 2020 the group will continue to discuss the transitional approach for GSP Group Correction Factors. It will also review the first output from the joint CCDG/AWG subgroup (see below).

Architecture Working Group (AWG)

[AWG06: 26th May 2020:](#) The group reviewed the outputs from the CCDG/AWG subgroup and have translated them to the interface specifications template for the Registration to Metering Services. The group also began a discussion on the concept of integration and the different ways this could be carried out for MHHS. You can find more detail in the [AWG06 headline report](#).

Next AWG meeting: at AWG07 on 23rd June 2020 the group will provide feedback on the completed interface specifications for the Registration to Metering Services, and will review the further outputs from the CCDG/AWG sub-group – which will be the Registration to Data Services and Registration to BSC central systems.

Sub-group updates

Code change and central body sub-group: The code body representatives are continuing to work on incorporating the feedback they received from the CCDG into the matrices that identify affected areas of their code documents and share any outstanding questions with the group. The CCDG members aim to provide their comments to the code body representatives by CCDG07. These matrices will ultimately feed into the CCDG consultation, along with the CCDG's work on the detailed TOM design areas.

AWG/CCDG subgroup update: As agreed in the AWG04, a sub-group made up of members of both the CCDG and the AWG has been formed to identify the business requirements for data exchange, to help the AWG prepare specifications for the interfaces between TOM services. This group has met five times and has completed an initial tabulation of the interactions between metering services and the registration service (SMRS); the group has progressed to looking at the interactions between SMRS and the TOM data services and SMRS and BSC central services. The tabulations include the information that will need to be exchanged to enable the TOM, identifies the parties sending and receiving data, and estimates the expected frequency and size of the data exchanges. As these tabulations are completed, they will be used to populate the interface documents the AWG will use as part of the solution architecture recommendations.