

## **Codes Summary - March 2013**

This document provides a summary as to latest developments concerning the various other Industry Codes. Further detailed information can be found at:  
<http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/>

### **CUSC**

#### **CMP201 Removal of BSUoS charges from generation.**

CMP201 proposes that Balancing Services Use of System (BSUoS) charges, which are currently charged to all liable CUSC parties on a non -locational MWh basis, are removed from GB generators. This will effectively align the GB 'generation stack' with those in other EU markets, thus facilitate equitable competition with generation in other EU markets which are not subject to such charges.

Following the 'send back' of the final CMP201 Report by Ofgem, the CMP201 Workgroup reconvened and a second Workgroup Report was compiled and presented to the CUSC Modifications Panel. It was agreed that a second Code Administrator Consultation would be published and for the Panel to re-vote prior to the final report being re-submitted to the Authority.

The Code Administrator Consultation closes on the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

#### **CMP217 – Clarification of the CUSC “Interruption Payment” and “Interruption Period” definitions**

CMP217 proposes clarifying the 'Interruption Payment' and 'Interruption Period' definitions, which are set out in Section 11 of the CUSC, in order to allow the calculations set out by the legal text to be more easily derived.

CMP217 was presented to the CUSC Modifications Panel on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2013 and the CUSC Modifications Panel agreed that CMP217 should progress as Self Governance and for it to proceed straight to Code Administrator Consultation. The CUSC Panel vote will take place on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2013.

### **BSC**

#### **P291 (REMIT Inside Information Reporting Platform for GB Electricity)**

P291 was raised by SSE on 30 January 2013, and proposes to use the Balancing Mechanism Reporting System (BMRS) as a platform to publish the necessary information to meet the requirements of REMIT inside information reporting for the GB electricity sector. The Workgroup met on 25 February to clarify the potential solutions, and has identified three possible options. Two of these involve market participants submitting information for publication directly to BSC Systems, while the third seeks to enhance existing Grid Code OC2 mechanisms for submission of planned outage details, and would therefore require Grid Code changes.

#### **EU Transparency Regulation**

ELEXON took an information paper ([ISG42/04](#)) to the [Imbalance Settlement Group](#) (ISG) on 26 February, explaining the potential impact on the BSC and other GB industry codes of the [draft Transparency Regulation](#). This Regulation is currently in comitology, and is expected to come into force in Q2 2013 (after which market participants will have eighteen months for implementation). The paper suggests that the Regulation is best implemented in GB through modifications to existing industry codes e.g. BSC and Grid Code changes to require National Grid to forecast and report 'total load' (which is similar to National Demand but includes demand supplied by small embedded generators).

## **Operational Forum**

The Operational Forum was held on Wednesday 20th February 2013 where the following topics were discussed:

- Update on operational and system operator costs
- Managing frequency: Rate of Change of Frequency (RoCoF)
- EU Balancing Code from 2014

A Balancing Services Incentives Scheme (BSIS) workshop was held following the Operational Forum.