BSUoS Forecast for Nov-22

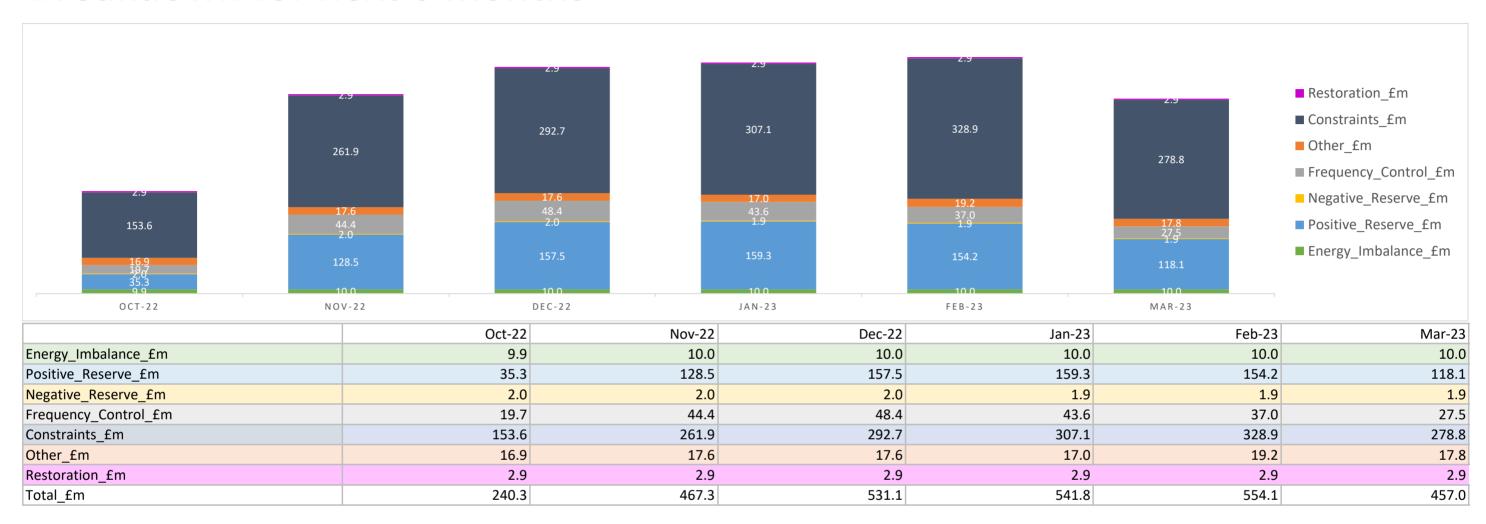




Please note: As a result of the approval of CMP308, BSUoS charges are being removed from Generation from 1 April 2023. Therefore the chargeable volume approximately halves and the BSUoS charge (£/MWh) approximately doubles

Balancing Costs Central Forecast Breakdown for next 6 months





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Balancing Costs	Forecast for November 2022 is £467 million. The report includes the forecasted cost of the Winter Contingency Contract for the period October 2022 to March 2023. CMP395 - We have not included any potential deferral of costs from this winter into next years forecast, we intend to provide this information in the next forecast, due to be published in the middle of November.
Energy model considerations	The Balancing Costs model uses the patterns of costs historically which are then adjusted for changes in prices, changes in wind outturn/forecast to create a baseline which can then be projected forward and shaped based on an understanding of the shaping of costs through the year.
	This is lower than the forecast produced in September (£585 million). This is primarily due to a decrease in the wholesale costs from £737/MWh forecast in September, to £522/MWh forecast based on the latest prices. This drives a reduction in the largest cost components.
	The forecast was produced based on an average of the forward price curves derived between 30th September and 6th October 2022. This approach has been taken over using a single forward curve due to industry feedback at the recent consultation.
	A consistent change in the wholesale electricity forward curve of \pm 20% would lead to a change in central forecast over the next 12 months of approximately \pm 13%.
	No new planned or current outages on interconnectors or the Western link.
Constraint model considerations	The new constraint forecast (available on the data portal) has been incorporated as an input to model.
Estimated internal BSUoS	The costs are the latest version of the Price Control Financial Model (PCFM) for the Electricity System Operator (ESO) under the RIIO-2 network price controls, based on the Ofgem publication on 22 July 2022. The sheet "SOIAR" in the PCFM spreadsheet shows the allowed revenue for 2022/23 and a forecast for future years.
	https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/eso-price-control-financial-model
ALoMCP	Following discussion at the Steering Group, it was agreed that there was a need for additional activities in this final year in order to maximise the Loss of Mains risk reduction that the programme can deliver. Activities include supporting generators to undertake initial site compliance checks and assurance of compliance declarations. Activities are expected to continue a reduction in costs that the ESO incurs through managing the Loss of Mains risk in other ways. These assurance and programme close down activities will run through the 2022-23 financial year (rather than ending at the end of August, which our provisional forecast had accounted for. As the deadline is August this year we are expecting a last minute push from all DNO's.
CMP381 Deferred Costs	No change since May 2022 forecast. There is £43.9m deferred to 2022/23. Cost recovery has been included from 3rd May 2022 as per the approval of CMP383. This has been updated since May 2022 forecast based on the outturn SF data
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Winter Contingency Contracts	In response to the disruption of gas supplies to Europe following Russia's invasion of Ukraine, the Secretary of State approached ESO to secure additional non-gas capacity over winter 22/23. This capacity would provide electricity should it be needed to ensure electricity security of supply. Central forecast of the Winter Contingency Contracts is ~£367.5m.

	BSUOS Reform	This forecast does not currently contain any allowance for the outcome of CMP361/362 whereby charges would be fixed in advance by the
		ESO. Once further detail is known in regards to the outcome of this process we will update our forecast accordingly.