

In April 2011, the BSC panel established the BMRS Zones Review Group. This group was set up to review BMRS zonal information, and the potential benefits in alignment of BMRS Zones with eight OC2 zones or 17 SYS zones. This work was a strand initiated at the CBSG.

The review group issued a consultation on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011 with ten questions (below), the final report has not yet been produced. For information and to update the CBSG the numerical summary (Yes/No/Neutral) to the ten questions is shown below. Some questions called for a text based answer, these are not shown, the additional comments to the questions are also not shown.

## BMRS Zones Review Consultation Responses:

### Consultation issued on 1 July 2011

Question 1: Please state your current uses of the "Day and Day Ahead Demand" and "Day and Day Ahead Margin" data published on the BMRS?

#### Summary

Yes	No	Neutral/Other

#### Responses

#### Non Numerical Response

Question 2: Does your Party use each of the three types of forecast data, namely BMRS, OC2 and SYS?

#### Summary

Yes	No	Neutral/Other
5	2	1

Question 3: Do you agree with the Group's conclusion that the current configuration of 5 BMRS Zones is inappropriate?

#### Summary

Yes	No	Neutral/Other
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Question 4: Would you be more likely to use "Day and Day Ahead Demand" and "Day and Day Ahead Margin" data if it was supplied:

- a) in a different number of Zones? and / or
- b) in a single downloadable file (irrespective of the number of BMRS zones)?
- c) Or would your Party be disadvantaged in any way if the number of BMRS Zones changed?

#### Summary

Yes	No	Neutral/Other
a) - 5	a) - 3	a) - 0
b) - 6	b) - 2	b) - 0
c) - 0	c) - 8	c) - 0

Question 5: Do you agree with the Group's conclusion that:

- a) 8 BMRS zones which align with the current OC2 zones would be an improvement over the current 5 BMRS zones?
- b) 17 BMRS zones which align with the current SYS zones would be an improvement over the current 5 BMRS zones?
- c) 17 BMRS zones which align with the current SYS zones would be an improvement over the alternative to aligning 5 BMRS zones with 8 OC2 zones?
- d) Do you believe that aligning the number of zones for BMRS, OC2 and SYS would provide the greatest benefit?

#### Summary

Yes	No	Neutral/Other
a) - 6	a) - 2	a) - 0
b) - 8	b) - 0	b) - 0
c) - 8	c) - 0	c) - 0
d) - 8	d) - 0	d) - 0

Question 6: What benefit would you see in aligning the current 5 BMRS zones to the 14 GSP group zones?

#### Summary

Yes	No	Neutral/Other

#### Non Numerical Response

Question 7: Is there any other configuration for BMRS zones that you believe should have been considered by the Group?

#### Summary

Yes	No	Neutral/Other
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Question 8: Is there any specific way in which you would like to see Day and Day Ahead Demand" and "Day and Day Ahead Margin" presented on BMRS?

#### Summary

Yes	No	Neutral/Other
2	3	3

Question 9: a) Do you agree with the Group's recommendation that 17 BMRS zones is the best solution?

b) Is your answer to the above dependent upon National Grid changing to 17 OC2 zones too?

#### Summary

Yes	No	Neutral/Other
a) - 8	a) - 0	a) - 0
b) - 0	b) - 8	b) - 0

Question 10: Do you have any further comments on the BMRS Zones Review Report?

#### Non Numerical Response