

Standing Issue

GB Implementation of the European Transparency Regulation

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Description of the Issue:

This issue is being raised to facilitate debate amongst industry participants in relation to the GB implementation of the European Regulation on submission and publication of data in electricity markets, commonly known as the 'Transparency Regulation'. The [Transparency Regulation](#) sets out a requirement on primary data owners to submit a number of data items to their TSO or to a third party acting as a data provider (with prior agreement of the TSO). This information will then be published on a central information platform (currently under development by ENTSO-E). Under Article 5 of the Regulation, ENTSO-E are developing a Manual of Procedures which will set out the details and formats for the submission of data to the central information platform, including standard submission methods and technical details data providers must meet.

The legally binding Regulation will come into force 20 days after publication in the Official Journal of the European Union with the Regulation currently expected to come into force in June 2013. There follows an 18 month implementation period before data has to be published, so the Regulation will apply fully from Q4 2014. The Regulation will place obligations on TSOs, DSOs, Generators, and large consumers to submit information for publication on a central information platform. The Regulation places an obligation on parties to submit additional data to that already submitted under various GB industry requirements, and the data that will be required under Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency (REMIT), and the European Network Codes being developed under Article 6 of Regulation (EC) No 714/2009.

The issues to be clarified in relation to the Transparency Regulation include:

- The identity of the GB central data provider for the submission of information to the central information platform. A large amount of information is published on the BMRS website for the benefit of GB market participants, some of this information is required to be published on the central information platform under the European Transparency Regulation. In the interests of efficiency the GB central data provider role could be fulfilled by Elexon; with new information not currently captured on the BMRS, but required under the Regulation, also submitted to the central information platform via Elexon.
- The mapping of individual data items required under the European Regulation, from data owner through to submission of the data to the GB central data provider and then to the central information platform. This would include identifying any changes required to GB industry codes (including codes other than the BSC) to facilitate data flows and also allow participants to begin making any IT system changes that may be required.

For each data item that is required to be submitted to the central information platform a number of decisions need to be made:

- If the Regulation or Manual of Procedures is not clear, who is the primary data owner(s)?
- Who is the data provider responsible for onward submission to the central information platform?
- If primary data flows need to be aggregated before submission to the central

information platform who is the party responsible?

- The definition of the format of data flows between the various GB parties.
- Identifying the obligations, including new obligations, on industry participants under the Regulation and ensuring industry awareness.
- Identifying if there is industry preference for some/all of the information supplied to the central information platform to also be published elsewhere, i.e. BMRS.
- Ensuring consistency between the Transparency Regulation solution and the P291 REMIT modification currently undergoing the BSC Modification process. The P291 modification will publish information on the BMRS website; some of this information is also required under the Transparency Regulation.

Standing Modification Group

National Grid recommends that a standing modification group debate the implementation of the European Transparency Regulation. The debate and discussion will facilitate any later modifications which may be raised; modifications will be able to be progressed more swiftly because a standing modification group has already debated and resolved any issues.

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