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This newsletter provides a brief update of the key wholesale electricity market design changes currently being progressed within Great Britain, focusing on March 2008.

The newsletter aims to assist electricity market participants to keep track of the major consultations that affect the development of the wholesale electricity market. A number of other consultations/decisions that may be relevant are also noted.

This issue covers: Ofgem consultations; publications/announcements by a number of government and other bodies and new BSC and CUSC Modifications, decisions, and related matters. This edition also identifies press releases from the EU that may be relevant to the British electricity wholesale sector.

If readers need further information on any of the issues raised in this briefing note, or would like advice on how these changes and other market developments might affect their company, please contact IPA Energy + Water Economics on 44 (0) 131 240 0840.

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OFGEM PUBLICATIONS

Issue/Title: Renewables Obligation Annual Report 2006-07

Published: 4 March
Response due: n/a

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RenewablObl/Documents1/Annual%20report%202006-07.pdf>

Ofgem has published its annual report on the Renewables Obligation – covering 2006/07. Ofgem's costs in administering the scheme are quoted as around £900,000. The paper gives a comprehensive set of statistics for how suppliers discharged their obligations under the RO and the technologies awarded ROCs. These statistics indicate that the value of a ROC to a supplier rose in 2006/07 to £49.28 from a previous low of £42.54 in 2005/06.

All suppliers met their obligations, under the RO for 2006-07.

In Northern Ireland, suppliers met only 9% of their obligations by presenting ROCs.

Issue: Title: Ofgem to review regulatory regime for energy networks

Published: 6 March
Response due: n/a

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/RPI%20FINAL.pdf>

Ofgem has issued a press release announcing a two-year review of the current regulatory regime for networks that is to report to the Ofgem chairman and the governing board in summer 2010.

Whilst opening up the possibility of substantial changes to network regulation, the press release highlights the importance of having a stable and reliable regulatory regime and notes that, because the review will not report until 2010, work for the 2009 electricity distribution price controls will not be affected. The review is to be carried out by a

new team, with its own director, who will report to Steve Smith, Managing Director of Ofgem's Networks Division.

Issue: Ofgem review of the treatment of exported energy requested by the Treasury in last year's budget

Title: Review of the market for exported energy from microgeneration

Published: 11 March
Response due: n/a

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/Policy/SmallrGens/DomsScMicro/Documents1/Final%20MG%20report%2011%20March%202008.pdf>

The day before this year's budget, Ofgem published its review into microgeneration exports that was requested in last year's budget. The report indicates that there could be some 100,000 domestic level microgeneration installations producing electricity and that some 1,500 households have deals with suppliers to sell their exported energy. However, only 30 of these customers' exports have been registered in the industry's settlement arrangements and the report indicates that Ofgem "suspects" that "the direct and indirect costs of settlement provide a disincentive for suppliers to register export meters".

The analysis shows that, in general, the amount paid by suppliers to customers is greater than the value of the export to the supplier and concludes that "suppliers are offering a range of fair value tariffs to purchase exported electricity from microgeneration", but also notes that "it is possible that the tariffs may become unsustainable if the volume of take up by customers increases significantly".

Issue/Title: Approval criteria for redress schemes in the energy sector

Published: 14 March
Applications to be submitted by: 25 April 2008

Link:



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<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/Compl/ConsRep/Documents1/Redress%20Schemes%20Decision.pdf>

Ofgem has published the criteria it will use when assessing whether to approve proposed “redress schemes” under the Consumers Estate Agents and Redress Act 2007 (CEAR Act).

The document invites applications, by 25 April, from industry participants required to put such schemes in place (regulated electricity and gas suppliers, and operators of certain gas and electricity networks).

Issue: Formal notice of modification of Scottish Power Transmission Licence in respect of the SF₆ incentive scheme.

Title: SECTION 11 AND SECTION 49A(1) OF ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 - SPTL SF6 Incentive Scheme Licence Modification

Published: 27 March
Response due: n/a

Link:
http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Trans/PriceControls/TPCR4/ConsultationDecisionsResponses/Documents1/080327_SF6%20Incentive%20Directi on_FINAL.pdf

Ofgem has given formal notice of the modification of part 4 of Special Condition J5 of Scottish Power Transmission Ltd’s Licence relating to the calculation of parameters needed for the operation of the Sulphur Hexafluoride (SF₆) incentive scheme and its reasons for making the change.

Issue/Title: Energy Supply Markets Probe - Call for Evidence

Published: 27 March
Response due: 30 April

Link:
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensupro/Documents1/Energy%20Supply%20Markets%20Probe%20-%20Call%20for%20Evidence.pdf>

Ofgem’s letter, calling for evidence, states that its

investigation, which has been triggered by mounting consumer and public concern over the competitiveness of the market for gas and electricity, will cover:

- *“The customer’s perspective and experience of the market including access to information and barriers to switching suppliers;*
- *Suppliers’ market shares, switching rates for different groups of customers (such as online, dual fuel, single fuel and prepayment);*
- *The competitiveness of suppliers’ pricing of the different market segments and customer movement between payment types and suppliers;*
- *The relationship between retail and wholesale energy prices; and*
- *The economics of new entry and the experience of companies trying to enter the energy market.”*

The letter also states that, as well as gathering information under the Call for Evidence, Ofgem will be using its powers under the Enterprise Act 2002 to gather data and information from market participants and that it plans to undertake consumer research into customers’ experience of the gas and electricity retail markets and their ability to exercise choice.

Issue: First consultation document on the next DNO price control

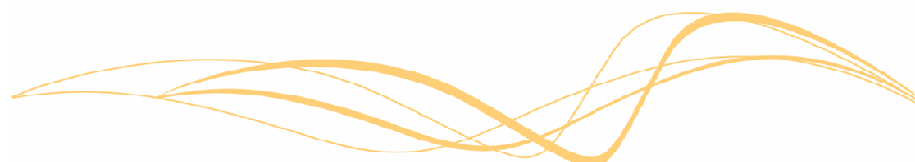
Title: Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Consultation Document

Published: 28 March
Response due: 23 June

Link:
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCntrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20consultation%20document.pdf>

Ofgem has published its initial consultation on the price controls for the 14 DNOs (Distribution Network Operators) to apply in the period 2010-2015 – Distribution Price Control Review 5 (DPCR5).

Ofgem states that it is focusing on three key themes/objectives:



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- **“environment:** ensuring that the price control gives the DNOs strong financial incentives to play a full role in tackling climate change. This price control needs to be flexible enough to accommodate technology change and other opportunities which may arise for DNOs between 2010 and 2015;
- **customers:** encouraging the DNOs to respond to the needs of current and future customers, and to strike the appropriate balance between delivering quality of service and managing network costs; and
- **networks:** incentivising DNOs to invest efficiently so that security of supply is provided at reasonable costs.”

The document confirms that the RPI-X framework will be retained for this price control.

The timetable for progressing the review is:

- Ofgem workshops: **May 2008**
- Response deadline: **23 June 2008**
- Ofgem policy decisions: **December 2008**
- Ofgem consultation on initial proposals: **July 2009**
- Possible further consultation if significant changes in Ofgem’s views in light of consultation responses: **September 2009**
- Ofgem publish final proposals: **December 2009.**

Issue: Further delay to timetable for a decision on zonal transmission losses

Title: Update on zonal transmission losses proposals/The Authority’s decisions on the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) modification proposals on zonal transmission losses

Published: 28 March

Response due: n/a

Link:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/LICENSING/ELECCODES/BSCODE/IAS/Documents1/080328_lossop enltr_2_LN\[1\].pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/LICENSING/ELECCODES/BSCODE/IAS/Documents1/080328_lossop enltr_2_LN[1].pdf)

Ofgem has published an open letter in which it indicates that it will defer further work on the analysis to support the Authority’s decision on zonal losses until after the outcome of the current

judicial review – which it states will not be known until late May at the earliest. Given this, it won’t now be in a position to make a decision on the various losses modification proposals (P198 - Introduction of a Zonal Transmission Losses scheme; P200 - Introduction of a Zonal Transmission Losses scheme with Transitional Scheme; P203 - Introduction of a seasonal Zonal Transmission Losses scheme; and P204 - Scaled Zonal Transmission Losses) until the second half of 2008.

Issue: formal notification of modifications to electricity transmission licences to insert the funding mechanism for payments made to generators under CAP 048

Title: Section 11 and 49A(1) of Electricity Act 1989 - Recovering the Costs of Temporary Physical Disconnection

Published: 28 March

Effective from: 1 April 2008

Link:

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Trans/ElecTransPolicy/Charging/Documents1/080328_CAP048%20Licensee%20Direction_FINAL2.pdf

Ofgem has published formal notification of the changes (and reasons for the changes) to the transmission licences of National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (NGET), Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission Ltd (SHETL) and Scottish Power Transmission Ltd (SPTL) to deliver the mechanism for funding compensation payments to generators in the event of disconnection in accordance with arrangements introduced when CAP048 (“Firm Access and Temporary Physical Disconnection) came into effect on 1 April 2004.

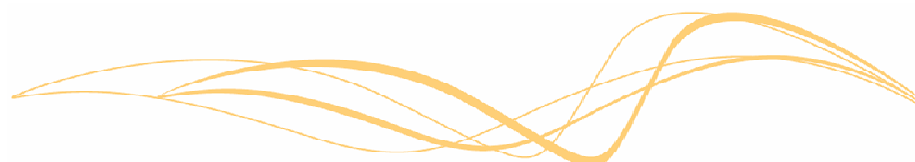
Issue/Title: Guidance on Impact Assessments March 2008

Published: 31 March

Effective from: 1 May

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/BetterReg/A/Documents1/GUIDANCE%20ON%20IMPACT%20ASSESSMENTS.pdf>



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Ofgem has published updated guidance on its approach to conducting impact assessments and its approach to cost-benefit analysis. It comes into effect on 1 May, replacing the guidance issued in 2005.

Issue/Title: Corporate strategy and plan 2008-2013

Published: 31 March
Response due: n/a

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/CorpPlan/Documents1/CORPORATE%20STRATEGY%20AND%20PLAN%2028%20MARCH%202008.pdf>

Following consultations in January and August of 2007, Ofgem has now published the final version of its strategy for 2008-13. As in previous strategies Ofgem's strategy is based around seven themes:

1. *"Creating and sustaining competition"*
2. *Regulating networks effectively*
3. *Helping to protect the security of Britain's energy supplies*
4. *A leading voice in Europe*
5. *Helping to achieve sustainable development*
6. *Helping to tackle fuel poverty*
7. *Better regulation"*.

LICENCES

NOTICES OF ELECTRICITY LICENCES APPLIED FOR IN MARCH

Company/Licence: Haven Power Limited - extension to electricity supply licence

Notice issued/licence extension applied for: 26 March/ 25 February

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Notices/AppNotices/Documents1/Haven%20Power%20website%20notice.pdf>

NOTICES OF ELECTRICITY LICENCES ISSUED IN MARCH

Company/Licence: Dudgeon Offshore Wind Limited/ electricity generation licence

Notice issued/licence granted: 5 March /25 February

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Notices/Licences/Documents1/Dudgeon%20website%20notice.pdf>

GOVERNMENT AND OTHER BODIES

TREASURY

Issue/Title: Budget 2008

Published: 12 March
Response due: n/a

Link to environmental headlines:

http://budget2008.treasury.gov.uk/the_environment.htm

Link to full budget: http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/media/9/9/bud08_completereport.pdf

This year's budget contained a number of measures that are relevant to the UK electricity sector including:

- the climate change levy is to rise in line with inflation; and
- a statement that 100% of allowances required by the power sector under Phase III of the EU ETS will be auctioned.

BERR

Issue: NDA announcement inviting responses from parties interested in acquiring nuclear sites and assets

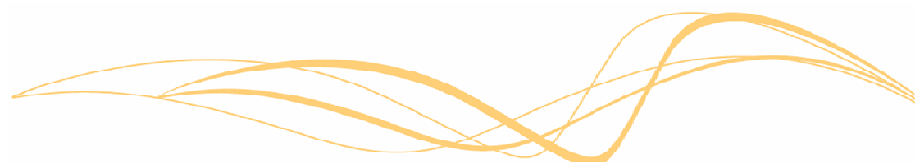
Title: NDA Market Engagement Announcement

Published: 6 March
Response due: 3 April

Link to NDA announcement:

<http://www.nda.gov.uk/news/market-engagement.cfm?CFID=7546003&CFTOKEN=f4940c1a5cbad8d8-AE1F05D3-0B2F-DF37-7A5AF2B082DF74F4>

Link to accompanying BERR Press release:



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<http://www.gnn.gov.uk/Content/Detail.asp?ReleaseID=358129&NewsAreaID=2>

The NDA ((Nuclear Decommissioning Authority) has issued an invitation to parties wishing to use NDA land, the fuel manufacturing business at Springfields, and its Uranic material to write to the NDA setting out their interests. The NDA will then determine the competition process going forward.

The NDA announcement states that where “*the use includes new nuclear build parties should be aware that this process does not replace the Strategic Siting Assessment which is proposed by the Government to commence in Spring 2008*”. It also states that it is continuing the process of consulting with stakeholders, and its local communities, through the site end state consultation initiated in 2006.

To register an interest, or for more details, email assetuse@nda.gov.uk

Issue: Statutory consultation on proposed policy statement for new nuclear stations

Title: Consultation on strategic environmental assessment scoping report for proposed national policy statement for new nuclear power

Published: 13 March
Response due: 21 April

Link:
<http://www.berr.gov.uk/consultations/page45265.html>

In preparation for the Planning Bill becoming law, the Government has issued a statutory consultation on the scope of the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) required for a proposed National Policy Statement (NPS) on planning for new nuclear power stations.

The statutory consultees are the Environment Agency, English Heritage, Natural England, the Department of the Environment (Northern Ireland), Scottish Ministers, Historic Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage, the Scottish Environment Protection Agency, the Welsh Assembly Government, CADW, Countryside Council for Wales and the Environment Agency

Wales. However, BERR indicate that they are also consulting the Department of Health, the Health Protection Agency, the Nuclear Installations Inspectorate, Defra and the Industrial and Radiochemical Inspectorate (Northern Ireland) because of their roles in relation to the regulation of nuclear facilities. It also states that it will consider any comments from other persons, or organisations, submitted before the consultation closes on 21 April 2008.

If the reforms in the Planning Bill do not become law, BERR indicate that the Government would expect to produce a Strategic Siting Assessment (SSA) Policy Statement rather than a Nuclear NPS.

Issue: New report on UK and European costs in meeting the EU commitment to 20% renewable energy target by 2020

Title: Compliance Costs for meeting the 20% Renewable Energy Target in 2020

Published: 13 March
Response due: n/a

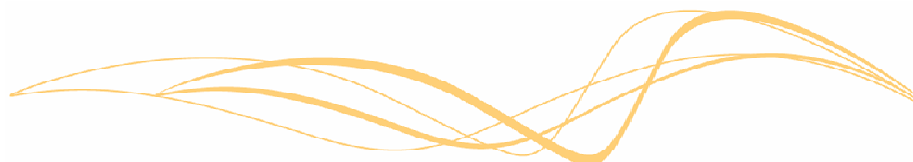
Link: <http://www.berr.gov.uk/files/file45238.pdf>

BERR has published a consultants' report that assesses the impact of the commitment made at the Spring Council 2007 to deliver 20% of EU energy consumption from renewable sources by 2020 both in the UK and across the EU.

The report concludes that the target is realisable subject to four main conditions being met:

- the reported biomass potential being realisable;
- sustainability and land use competition considerations not adversely affecting assumed global biomass volumes;
- all technologies being capable of implementing a step change in build rates; and
- additional support being provided to incentivise incremental investment above that in the projected baseline.

The incremental annual cost to the UK (over and above the cost of current policy measures) of meeting its share of the EU burden is estimated to



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be in the range €5.0bn – €6.7bn/year – with the lower end of the range being based on the UK supplementing domestic measures by trading.

Issue: Publication of Energy Trends and Quarterly Energy Prices

Title: Statistical Press Release

Published: 27 March
Response due: n/a

Link to PR:

<http://www.gnn.gov.uk/Content/Detail.asp?ReleaseID=363187&NewsAreaID=2>

Link to Energy Trends:

<http://www.berr.gov.uk/files/file45397.pdf>

Link to stats:

<http://www.berr.gov.uk/files/file45393.pdf>

BERR has issued a press release to accompany the latest quarterly publication of energy statistics.

Issue: BERR webpage on Renewable Energy Strategy

Title: Renewable Energy Strategy

Published/updated: 29 March
Views invited prior to formal consultation being issued in summer

Link:

<http://www.berr.gov.uk/energy/sources/renewable/s/strategy/page43356.html>

BERR gives background to the development of the strategy for meeting the EU 20% Renewable Energy Target and invites views prior to the publication of the formal consultation in summer 2008.

Issue: Call for applications to seek a “Justification” decision in relation to new nuclear power

Title: Next step taken towards new nuclear power with start of justification process

Published: 31 March
Response due: 7 June

Link to PR:

<http://www.gnn.gov.uk/environment/fullDetail.asp?ReleaseID=363848&NewsAreaID=2&NavigatedFromDepartment=True>

Link to BERR webpage:

<http://www.berr.gov.uk/energy/nuclear-whitepaper/justification/page45386.html>

BERR has issued a call for applications to seek a justification decision for new nuclear power reactor designs. The Justification process is described as “a necessary step to meet the requirements of EU regulation to ensure that the benefits and detriments are properly evaluated before new nuclear power stations can be built in the UK.”

The process is expected to take around 18 months to complete.

DEFRA

Issue: Government decisions on the Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC)

Title: Implementation proposals for the Carbon Reduction Commitment (formerly the Energy Performance Commitment) Report on the public consultation (June 2007) and Government’s policy decisions

Published: 13 March
Response due: n/a

Link to Government response:

<http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/climatechange/uk/business/crc/pdf/crc-implementation-response-0803.pdf>

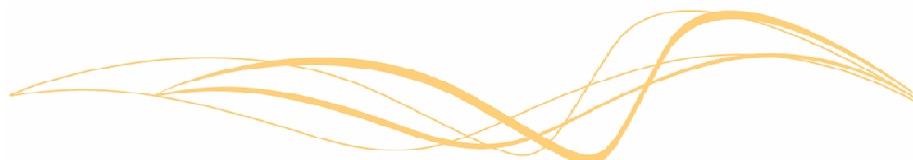
Link to analysis of consultation responses:

<http://www.defra.gov.uk/corporate/consult/carbon-reduc/analysis-responses.pdf>

Link to press release:

<http://www.gnn.gov.uk/Content/Detail.asp?ReleaseID=360430&NewsAreaID=2>

DEFRA has published an analysis of consultation responses together with the Government’s decisions on the Carbon Reduction Commitment and implementation proposals. A further consultation, on the draft regulations to implement the scheme, is planned for “summer”. The scheme is due to be introduced on 1 January



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2010.

The report covers:

- Scheme coverage;
- Phases and Cap Setting;
- Scheme Market Design; and
- Monitoring, Reporting and Audit.

Subject to consultation over summer, Government plans an introductory phase allowance price of £12/tCO₂ for the CRC.

Issue: Provisional statistics on UK green house gas emission in 2007

Title: UK on track to meet Kyoto targets as emissions continue to fall

Published: 28 March

Response due: n/a

Link to PR:

<http://www.gnn.gov.uk/Content/Detail.asp?ReleaseID=363562&NewsAreaID=2>

Link to statistics:

<http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/statistics/globalatmos/index.htm>

DEFRA has issued a press release following publication of data on green house gas emissions for 2006 (final figures) and 2007 (provisional figures). The press release indicates that both green house gas and CO₂ emissions were lower in 2007 than in 2006; it also states that the decrease in CO₂ emissions was a result of a combination of fuel switching from coal to natural gas for electricity generation and lower fossil fuel consumption by households and industry.

GB SO

Issue: Publication of National Grid's recommendations on Offshore Electricity Transmission Access and Compensation

Title: Offshore Electricity Transmission Access and Compensation - Consultation Conclusion

Published: 20 March

Response due: n/a

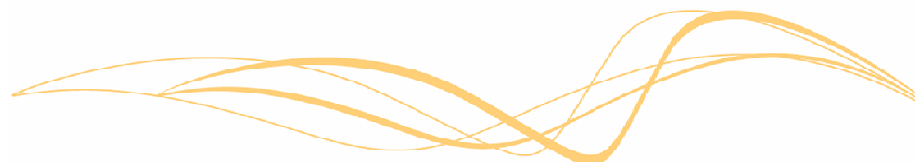
Link:

<http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/rdonlyres/9A9C1C08-8801-46FF-97C5-8DF4E733AAB1/24366/OffshoreElectricityTransmissionAccessandCompensation.pdf>

National Grid has published a summary of the response it received following publication of the notes of its December workshop on Offshore Electricity Transmission Access and Compensation together with its recommendations. The recommendations are reproduced below.

- **“Recommendation One** - *The principles applied to customer requested design variations (as represented in the current arrangements or in the CUSC amendment CAP149) should be extended to offshore connections.*
- **Recommendation Two** - *If a restricted capacity has to be shared between parties, entitlements should be set by pro-rating the different parties' capacities.*
- **Recommendation Three** - *Offshore transmission users should be compensated for a loss of access due to a problem on the onshore component of the transmission system on the same basis as onshore users.*
- **Recommendation Four** - *A possible source of compensation to offshore users in the event of an offshore access restriction could be the Offshore Transmission Owner under an OFTO Incentive framework. This framework could be included in the OFTO's licence which is currently being developed by Ofgem.*
- **Recommendation Five** - *'CAP048' style compensation payments will only be available to offshore users who have a connection standard equivalent to the minimum standard specified in the SQSS for onshore users.*
- **Recommendation Six** - *Any 'CAP048' compensation should cover the onshore component of charges as well as the offshore component.”*

These recommendations will be used to inform proposed drafting changes for the CUSC which will be consulted on, by Ofgem, in its next



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consultation on the implementation of the offshore electricity transmission arrangements.

Issue/Title: Constraint Management Service Tender

Published: 28 March
Response due: see below

Link:
http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Balancing/services/systemsecurity/constraint_agree/

National Grid has published its second tender for the Constraint Management Service.

The key dates for this tender are reproduced below:

- Market Day: 17:00 hours on Friday 11th April 2008
- Tender Opening: Monday 14th April 2008
- Tenderers notified of results: Friday 25th April 2008
- Service commencement: Monday 5th May 2008

THE EUROPEAN UNION - ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY RELATED PRESS RELEASES (TITLES & LINKS ONLY)

Brussels, 4 March 2008
Commissioner Piebalgs outlines EU renewable energy policy at International Renewable Energy Conference

Link:
<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/08/375&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

Brussels, 10 March 2008
Commissioner Piebalgs welcomes energy efficiency and renewable energy agreement by European Retailers

Link:
<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/08/410&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

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Brussels, 28 March 2008
New €80 million fund to boost energy efficiency and renewables in the fight against climate change in developing countries.

Link:
<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/08/473&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

Brussels, 28 March 2008
Climate change: Continued momentum needed as formal negotiations on new UN climate agreement get under way

Link:
<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/08/475&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

THE BSC AND CUSC

BSC – joiners and leavers in January

Joiners...

Danske Commodities A/S, as a Non Physical Trader and Interconnector User.

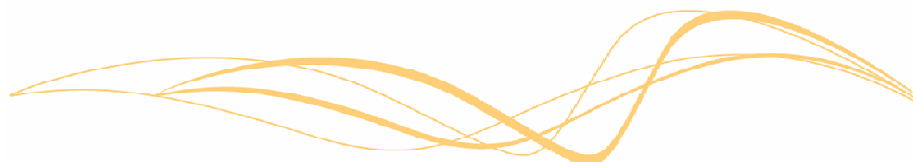
Other BSC Business

Issue: Resetting of the electricity price used in calculation of credit cover requirements

Title: Credit Assessment Price (CAP) Consultation

Published: 13 March
Response due: 31 March

Link:
[http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Consultation_on_Credit_Assessment_Price_\(C.A.P.\)/Credit_Assessment_Price_Consultation.pdf](http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Consultation_on_Credit_Assessment_Price_(C.A.P.)/Credit_Assessment_Price_Consultation.pdf)



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ELEXON has issued a consultation on the proposal, from the Credit Committee, that the Credit Assessment Price (CAP) be increased to £61/MWh.

CUSC Panel Election

Two nominations have been received for the mid-term election for the CUSC Panel: Barbara Vest of the AEP (<http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/rdonlyres/E3DFB852-842E-4FC3-9D1C-41B1E857FF04/24360/BarbaraAnneVest.pdf>) and Dave Wilkerson of Centrica (<http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/rdonlyres/4E89295B-88DB-4424-A312-906BC33AF420/24359/DaveWilkerson.pdf>).

Voting papers should be returned to National Grid by **5pm 18th April 2008**. The Results will be made known as soon as possible but no later than 31st May.

SUMMARY OF MARCH 2008 CONSULTATIONS & NEW BSC AND CUSC MODS AND DECISIONS

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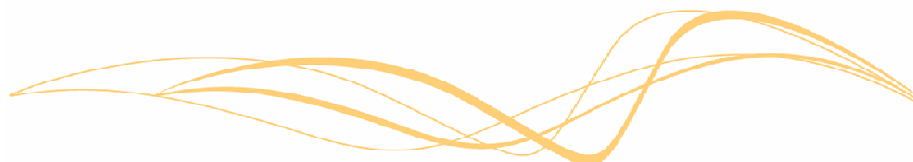
IPA NEWS

The latest edition of PowerView, IPA's forecast of GB wholesale electricity and ROC prices is now available. The flier for this product is attached with this briefing paper.

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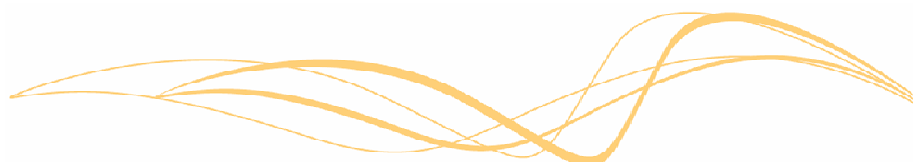


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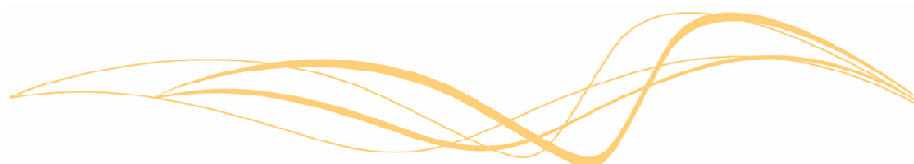
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BERR	<p>Title: Clean up fund is precondition for new nuclear – Hutton/Consultation on funded decommissioning programme guidance for new nuclear power stations</p> <p>Link to PR: http://www.gnn.gov.uk/Content/Detail.asp?ReleaseID=354629&NewsAreaID=2 Link to consultation: http://www.berr.gov.uk/consultations/page44784.html</p>	22 February	16 May
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Ofgem	<p>Issue/Title: Renewables Obligation Annual Report 2006-07</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/Renewable/Documents1/Annual%20report%202006-07.pdf</p>	4 March	n/a
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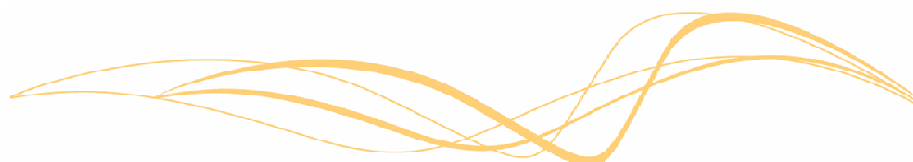
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ELEXON	<p>Title: Credit Assessment Price (CAP) Consultation</p> <p>Link: http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Consultation_on_Credit_Assessment_Price_(C.A.P.)/Credit_Assessment_Price_Consultation.pdf</p>	31 March	31 March
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BERR	<p>Title: Consultation on strategic environmental assessment scoping report for proposed national policy statement for new nuclear power</p> <p>Link: http://www.berr.gov.uk/consultations/page45265.html</p>	13 March	21 April
BERR	<p>Title: Compliance Costs for meeting the 20% Renewable Energy Target in 2020</p> <p>Link: http://www.berr.gov.uk/files/file45238.pdf</p>	13 March	n/a



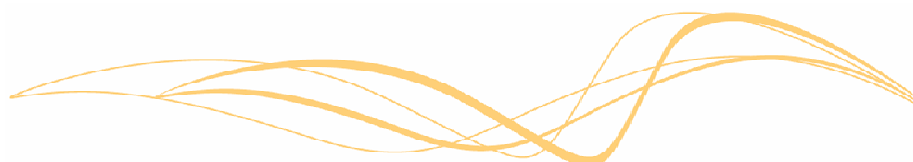
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Ofgem	<p>Title: Approval criteria for redress schemes in the energy sector</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/Compl/ConsRep/Documents1/Redress%20Schemes%20Decision.pdf</p>	14 March	Applications to be submitted by: 25 April
GB SO	<p>Title: Offshore Electricity Transmission Access and Compensation - Consultation Conclusion</p> <p>Link: http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/rdonlyres/9A9C1C08-8801-46FF-97C5-8DF4E733AAB1/24366/OffshoreElectricityTransmissionAccessandCompensati.pdf</p>	20 March	n/a
Ofgem	<p>Title: SECTION 11 AND SECTION 49A(1) OF ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 - SPTL SF6 Incentive Scheme Licence Modification</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Trans/PriceControls/TPCR4/ConsultationDecisionsResponses/Documents1/080327_SF6%20Incentive%20Direction_FINAL.pdf</p>	27 March	n/a
BERR	<p>Title: Statistical Press Release</p> <p>Link to PR: http://www.gnn.gov.uk/Content/Detail.asp?ReleaseID=363187&NewsAreaID=2 Link to Energy Trends: http://www.berr.gov.uk/files/file45397.pdf Link to stats: http://www.berr.gov.uk/files/file45393.pdf</p>	27 March	n/a
Ofgem	<p>Title: Energy Supply Markets Probe - Call for Evidence</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensuppro/Documents1/Energy%20Supply%20Markets%20Probe%20-%20Call%20for%20Evidence.pdf</p>	27 March	30 April
DEFRA	<p>Title: UK on track to meet Kyoto targets as emissions continue to fall</p> <p>Link to PR: http://www.gnn.gov.uk/Content/Detail.asp?ReleaseID=363562&NewsAreaID=2 Link to statistics: http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/statistics/globatmos/index.htm</p>	28 March	n/a



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Ofgem	<p>Title: Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Consultation Document</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20consultation%20document.pdf</p>	28 March	23 June
Ofgem	<p>Title: Update on zonal transmission losses proposals/The Authority's decisions on the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) modification proposals on zonal transmission losses</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/LICENSING/ELECCODES/BSCODE/IAS/Documents1/080328_lossopenltr_2_LN[1].pdf</p>	28 March	n/a
Ofgem	<p>Title: Section 11 and 49A(1) of Electricity Act 1989 - Recovering the Costs of Temporary Physical Disconnection</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Trans/ElecTransPolicy/Charging/Documents1/080328_CAP048%20Licensee%20Direction_FINAL2.pdf</p>	28 March	Effective from: 1 April 2008
BERR	<p>Title: Renewable Energy Strategy</p> <p>Link: http://www.berr.gov.uk/energy/sources/renewables/strategy/page43356.html</p>	29 March	Views invited prior to formal consultation being issued in summer
Ofgem	<p>Title: Guidance on Impact Assessments March 2008</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/BetterReg/IA/Documents1/GUIDANCE%20ON%20IMPACT%20ASSESSMENTS.pdf</p>	31 March	Effective from: 1 May
Ofgem	<p>Title: Corporate strategy and plan 2008-2013</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/CorpPlan/Documents1/CORPORATE%20STRATEGY%20AND%20PLAN%2028%20MARCH%202008.pdf</p>	31 March	n/a



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BERR	Title: Next step taken towards new nuclear power with start of justification process Link to PR: http://www.gnn.gov.uk/environment/fullDetail.asp?ReleaseID=363848&NewsAreaID=2&NavigatedFromDepartment=True Link to BERR webpage: http://www.berr.gov.uk/energy/nuclear-whitepaper/justification/page45386.html	31 March	7 June
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