

Fast Reserve

Market Information for Tenders for May 2009

National Grid publishes this information, in order to inform potential participants for the Fast Reserve tender round for May 2009.

Fast Reserve Availability

Our indicative requirement for Fast Reserve in May 2009 is shown on a Settlement Period basis in Figure 1. This requirement covers weekdays, Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Fast Reserve Daily Requirement for May 2009

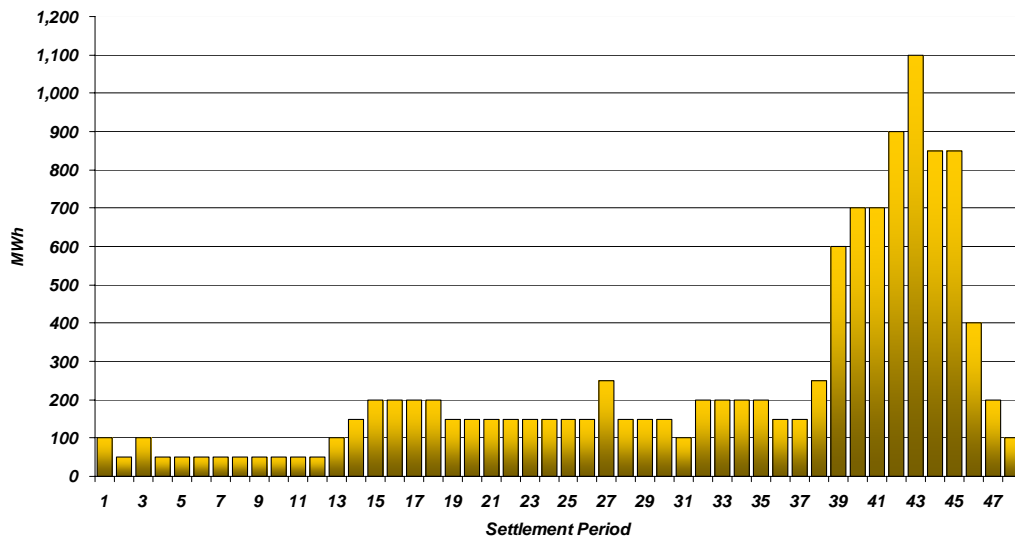


Figure 1

Figure 1 gives an indication of the times of day when Fast Reserve is most useful to National Grid. The actual amount of Fast Reserve "holding" varies from day to day, according to system conditions.

Fast Reserve Utilisation

The following BM information is based on the aggregate of Offers plus Bids accepted to provide Fast Reserve or an equivalent service. Note that the data for March 2009 contains both out-turn and forecast.

Figure 2 shows the daily utilisation of Fast Reserve in the BM and elsewhere during February 2009 and March 2009.

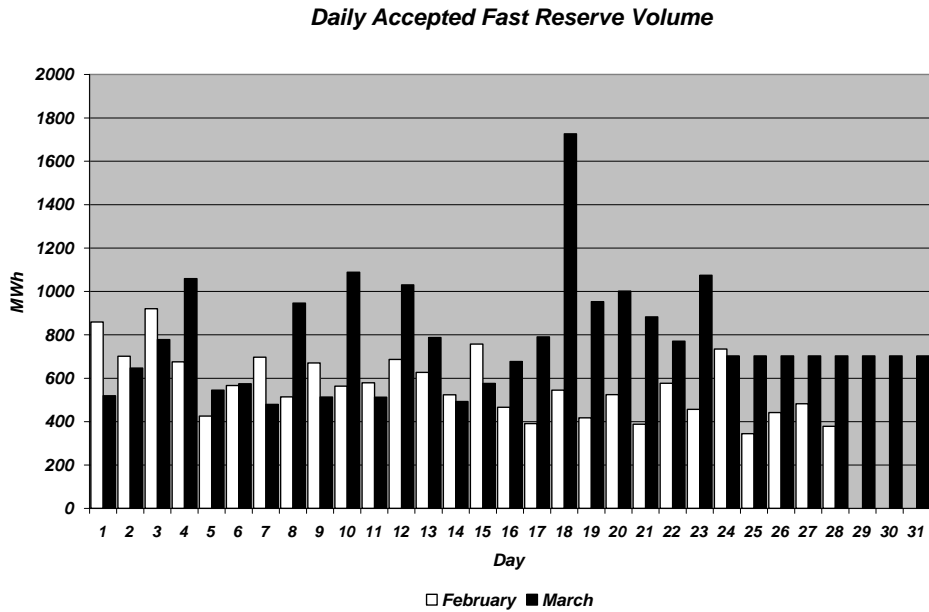


Figure 2

Figure 3 represents this data as total utilisation by Settlement Period across each month. This shows the daily profile of Fast Reserve utilisation.

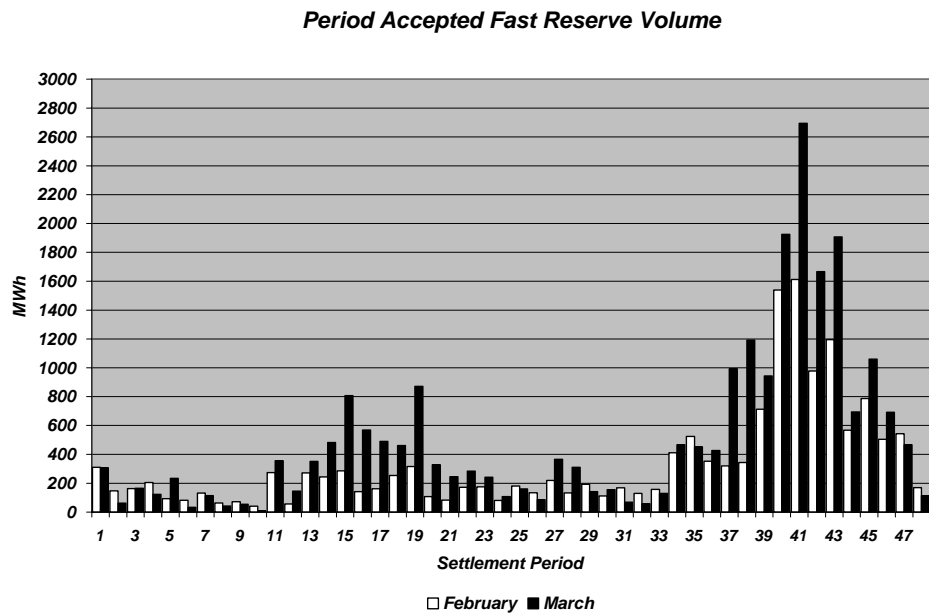


Figure 3

Figure 4 represents the same historical data, as an average utilisation price per Settlement Period for each month.

Period Average Fast Reserve Utilisation Price

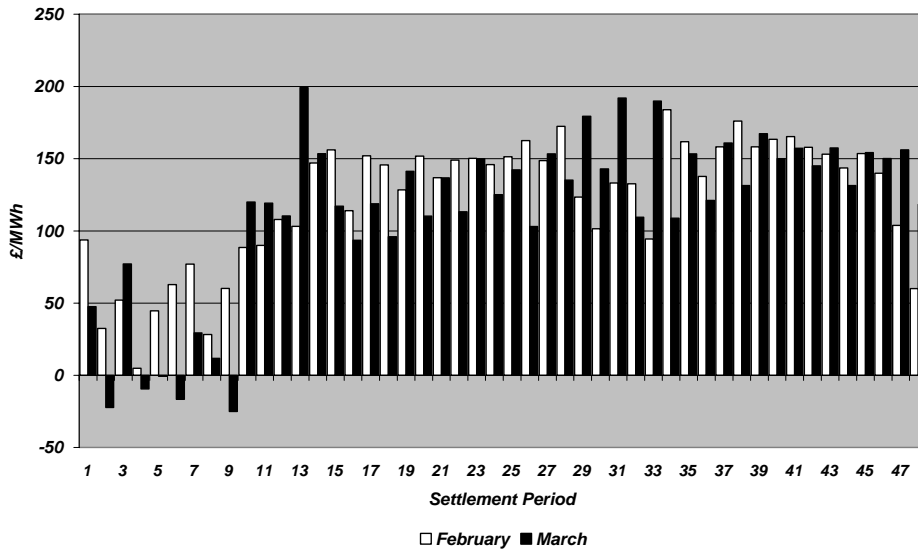


Figure 4

Finally, the same data is used in Figure 5, below, to show the profile of total Fast Reserve utilisation expenditure per Settlement Period for each month.

Period Total Fast Reserve Utilisation Expenditure

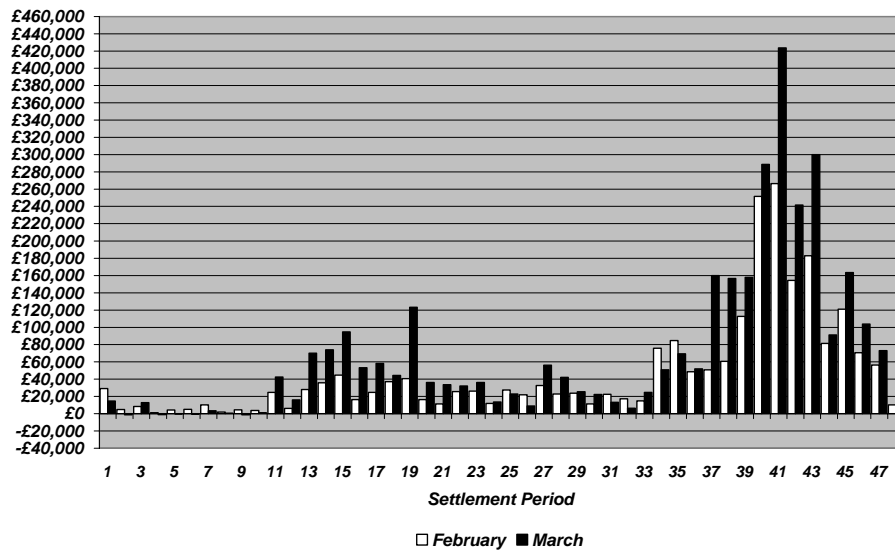


Figure 5

The total volumes of Fast Reserve utilisation of **15.91GWh** for February 2009 and **24.05GWh** for March 2009, broken down into price bands are as follows:

February	Price band (£/MWh range)	Volume (MWh)	Average Price (£/MWh)	Cost (£m)
	2000 to 99999	0	n/a	n/a
OFFERS	1000 to 2000	0	n/a	n/a
	300 to 1000	2	350	0.00
	0 to 300	14,452	147	2.12
Total		14.45GWh		£2.12m
BIDS	0 to 300	-850	20	-0.02
	-300 to 0	-546	-198	0.11
	-1000 to -300	-57	-527	0.03
	-2000 to -1000	0	n/a	n/a
	-99999 to -2000	0	n/a	n/a
Total		-1.45GWh		£0.12m
Total		15.91GWh		£2.24m

March	Price band (£/MWh range)	Volume (MWh)	Average Price (£/MWh)	Cost (£m)
	2000 to 99999	0	n/a	n/a
OFFERS	1000 to 2000	0	n/a	n/a
	300 to 1000	41	361	0.01
	0 to 300	19,857	161	3.21
Total		19.9GWh		£3.22m
BIDS	0 to 300	-3,306	17	-0.05
	-300 to 0	-815	-174	0.14
	-1000 to -300	-26	-450	0.01
	-2000 to -1000	0	n/a	n/a
	-99999 to -2000	0	n/a	n/a
Total		-4.15GWh		£0.1m
Total		24.05GWh		£3.32m

For the month of May 2009, tenders from eligible Service Providers for firm Fast Reserve should be submitted to National Grid by Thursday 10th April 2009 (business day 10). National Grid will notify Service Providers of the outcome of the tender assessment by Thursday 23rd April 2009 (business day 15).

Tenders should be sent for the attention of:

Bea Ennim
Network Operations
National Grid Electricity Transmission plc
National Grid House
Warwick Technology Park
Gallows Hill
Warwick
CV34 6DA

Tenders can be sent by fax to Bea Ennim on 01926 656612.