

Supplement to BPS version 1.0 (Effective from 26 February 2002)

- In Part C modify paragraph 2 to read as follows:

Having regard to information provided to us by BSC Parties (including their forecast levels of electricity demand and BMU dynamics) and to the requirements of the licensed transmission system security standards, we shall undertake operational planning for the timescales year ahead to day ahead:-

- In Part C modify paragraph 2(a)(i) to read as follows:

BM Unit availability, flexibility, prices and submitted dynamics;

- In Part E modify paragraph 2 step 6 as follows:

Insert new (iv) as follows:

where BOAs may extend beyond the wall, those Bid / Offer prices associated with all BOA timescales, PNs and dynamics for the BMU

All subsequent steps renumbered.

- In Part C insert new paragraph 8 as follows:

Paragraph 8

Beyond the Wall Actions

On occasion, National Grid will issue BOAs that extend to the end of the current BM window ('the wall'). On these occasions, National Grid will issue BOAs to return the BMU to its PN level in line with submitted dynamics (subject to no change in the prevailing BMU data). Further details of these circumstances are provided below.

National Grid continually assess the various factors that affect system conditions. This may lead to a requirement for a continuing increase or decrease in BMU output some time in the future that extends beyond the end of the current Balancing Mechanism window ('beyond the wall'). System conditions and special circumstances may require National Grid to indicate that the BOA issued will extend to periods beyond the wall in order to honour the relevant BMU dynamics.

Beyond the wall actions will be taken on a BMU specific basis, taking into account the following information:

- indicative Physical Notifications
- dynamic data
- indicative Bid/Offer prices
- export and import limits
- location of BMU
- reactive capability
- frequency response performance
- system conditions
- predicted weather conditions
- ancillary service contracts

The intention to extend a BOA “beyond the wall” will be communicated to the relevant BMU in cases where a current BOA has been issued that extends up to the end of the current Balancing Mechanism window (‘the wall’).

The intention to issue a BOA “beyond the wall” will be based on the submitted dynamic and price data for all anticipated BOA timescales. It is assumed that all dynamics and prices remain as submitted for the duration of the BOA, including those for periods beyond the wall. For the avoidance of doubt, if the intention is to extend a BOA beyond the wall, indicative prices, dynamics and PN for periods beyond the wall must not change from those that were used in assessing the requirement for the BOA.

This intention to issue a BOA will be translated into a actual BOA after the start of each applicable gate closure period. Prior to the BOA being issued, all BMU data will be checked against that used during the initial assessment. Any changes made from the data used during the initial assessment will lead to a review of the requirement.

Cancelling of BOAs that extend beyond the wall

The unwinding of BOAs that extend beyond the wall will be in line with that of standard Bid/Offer acceptances.

BOAs that extend beyond the wall will be cancelled by returning the BMU to its PN in line with submitted dynamics taking into consideration any applicable price changes.