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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 April 2007.

The newsletter aims to assist electricity market participants who already have a good broad understanding of the GB electricity trading arrangements, and the key documents that underpin them, 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; the EU Emissions Trading Scheme; consultations and reports by National Grid (NGET), 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 Consulting on 0131 240 0840.

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Ofgem Issues and Consultations

Issue: Changes to NGET's licence to deal with potential double recovery of pension costs under the GB SO Internal SO incentive and clarify the use of 2004/5 prices for specifying the RAB value.

Title: Notice of Modification of the Special Conditions of National Grid Electricity Transmission PLC's Electricity Transmission Licence under Section 11 of the Electricity Act 1989

Issued: 3 April

Response due: 30 April (to be effective from 1 April 2007 if implemented)

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?docid=3&refer=LICENSING/WORK/NOTICES/MODNOTICE>

Ofgem has published a formal notification of its proposal to modify NGET's transmission licence to:

- define and exclude pension costs from its GB SO internal operating costs (there is a separate pension cost allowance within the internal cost incentive); and
- to clarify that the RAB (regulatory asset base) value is specified in 2004/5 prices.

Issue/Title: Renewables Obligation: Guidance for small generators (50kW or less)

Issued: 3 April 2007

Response due: n/a

Link:

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/SUSTAINABILITY/ENVIRONMENT/RENEWABLES/DOCUMENTS1/small%20generator%20guidance_7707.pdf

Updated guidance on the procedures for claiming ROCs for renewable generation produced by small generators.

Issue: Update on the development of DNO's charging methodologies and announcement of a new Distribution Charging Methodologies Forum (DCMF)

Title: Structure of electricity distribution charges: update on progress and next steps

Issued: 3 April

First meeting of DCMF: 3 May

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgs/Documents1/suppliers%20%20letter%20cons%20letter%20030407.pdf>

Ofgem has published an open letter summarising the development of distribution companies' charging methodologies and announcing the establishment of a new forum, the Distribution Charging Methodologies Forum (DCMF), to be chaired by Tony McEntee of Scottish Power.

The letter states that the first meeting of the DCMF will take place on 3 May 2007 and will meet every 6 to 12 weeks "to consider and progress policy relating to the network operators' use of system and connection charging methodologies". Further details are available from the Energy Networks Association's website (<http://www.energynetworks.org/spring/regulation/index.asp>).

Issue/Titles:

Gas and electricity licence applications - Draft Guidance Document

Gas and electricity licence applications - Application Regulations and Guidance Document

Issued: 5 April

Response due: 16 May

Link:

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Documents1/Supplementary%20Appendix%20-%20Draft%20guidance%20FINAL%20_2_.pdf

Link to application regulations document:

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/CustomPages/Documents1/19327_Application_Regs_and_Guidance_Cons_FINAL.pdf

Ofgem has published consultations on changes it is proposing to the Gas and Electricity Application Regulations and its Guidance Document on licence applications. Ofgem is proposing to make the changes by repealing the current Application Regulations and



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replacing them with new Application Regulations and by replacing the Guidance Document on licence applications.

Issue: new guidance document for “Agents” acting on behalf of small generators (generators 50kW or smaller) wishing to claim ROCs

Title: Renewables Obligation: Guidance for Agents

Issued: 5 April
Response due: n/a

Link:
http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/CustomPages/Documents/1/9324_8107.pdf

Ofgem has published a new guidance document covering the new arrangements introduced on 1 April that allow third parties (“Agents”) to undertake a wide number of activities under the RO on behalf of renewable Microgenerators wishing to claim ROCs.

Issue/Title: Ofgem launches new website

Issued: 11 April
Response due: n/a

Link:
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?docid=130&refer=Media/PressRel>

Ofgem has launched a new website <http://www.ofgem.gov.uk> (none of the old links appear to work and some documents have been uploaded with a different publication date to the original publication date)

Issue: Ofgem is inviting views on the arrangements that allow suppliers to seek to re-contract with customers transferring to another supplier, during the objection period

Title: Modifying the arrangements for the use of objections in the non-domestic market

Issued: 17 April
Response due: 31 May

Link:
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/Compl/Cust>

[Transf/Documents/1/Objections%20Consultation%20Letter%20170407.pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Transf/Documents/1/Objections%20Consultation%20Letter%20170407.pdf)

Link to MRA appeal decision:
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?docid=112&refer=Licensing/ElecCodes/MRA>

Ofgem has issued an open letter inviting views on whether it is appropriate for suppliers of non-domestic customers to be able to seek to re-contract with a customer, to prevent them transferring to another supplier, during the period set aside for notifying an objection to a customer transfer. This follows comments made in the course of Ofgem’s hearing of an appeal under the MRA. The letter seeks views on whether the current arrangements, which allows this, need amending and sets out a number of arguments for and against change.

Issue: changes to reporting arrangements for aspects of the DNO price controls and incentives

Titles: Distributed Generation Incentive Innovation Funding Incentive Registered Power Zones Regulatory Instructions and Guidance - Version 2 & Electricity Distribution Price Control Revenue Reporting: Regulatory Instructions and Guidance - Version 3 &

Directions issued by the gas and Electricity Markets Authority to all Distribution Service Providers under Paragraph 10 (Modifications of the revenue Reporting RIGs) of Standard Condition 50 (Price Control Revenue Reporting and Associated Information) of the Distribution Licence; and

Notice of reasons Under Section 49A Electricity Act for the Decision to issue the direction &

Directions issued by the gas and Electricity Markets Authority to all Distribution Service Providers under Paragraph 9 (Modifications of the DG RIGs) of Standard Condition 51 (Incentive Schemes and Associated Information) of the Distribution Licence; and

Notice of reasons Under Section 49A Electricity Act for the Decision to issue the direction

Issued: 23 April; 20 April; 16 April (directions)
Response due:



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Link: n/a

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/DG%20Rigs%20v2%2012%20\(for%20publication\).pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/DG%20Rigs%20v2%2012%20(for%20publication).pdf)

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/Revenue%20Rigs%20V3.12\(for%20publication\).pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/Revenue%20Rigs%20V3.12(for%20publication).pdf)

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/Direction%20modifying%20revenue%20Rigs%20to%20%20version%203%20\(final\).pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/Direction%20modifying%20revenue%20Rigs%20to%20%20version%203%20(final).pdf)

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/Direction%20modifying%20DG%20Rigs%20to%20%20version%202.pdf>

Ofgem has published revised reporting arrangements for DNO price control/incentives purposes and directions to modify RIGs (Regulatory Instructions and Guidance).

Issue: Guidance notes for agents claiming LECs and REGOs

Titles:

Climate Change Levy exemption for renewables: Guidance for agents

&

Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin: Guidance for agents

Issued: 19 April

Response due: n/a

Link (CCL):

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environmnt/ccl/enexem/Documents1/Agent%20Guidance%20CCL%20_Final_%20RD.pdf

(REGOs):

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environmnt/REGOs/Documents1/Agent%20Guidance%20_Final_%20April%202007.pdf

Ofgem has published guidance notes on the role of agents in claiming LECs and REGOs.

Issue: Price differences between suppliers

Title: Big Price Gap Opens Up in the Energy Market as Switching Rates Rocket

Issued: 23 April

Response due: n/a

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/Ofgem17.pdf>

Ofgem has issued a press release stating that a big price gap has opened up between those suppliers who have announced or implemented price cuts and two suppliers, who have yet to make any announcement. The press release also states that (dual fuel) EDF Energy customers can save up to £140 by changing to the cheapest supplier and Scottish Power customers up to £122; although the press release also indicates that this excludes customers on a fixed price tariff.

Issue: open letters to Iberdrola and Scottish Power on the issue of debt build up due to delays in recalibrating token PPM meters

Title:

Token PPMs and debt – open letter to Iberdrola
Token PPMs and debt – open letter to Scottish Power

Issued: 23 April

Response due: n/a

Links

(Iberdrola):

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Publications/Documents1/Token%20PPMs%20and%20debt%20-%20Open%20Letter%20to%20Iberdrola.pdf>

(Scottish Power):

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Publications/Documents1/Token%20PPMs%20and%20debt%20-%20Open%20Letter%20to%20Scottish%20Power.pdf>

Ofgem has written to Scottish Power and Iberdrola (as the new owner of SP) on the issue of debt build up by token prepayment meters where meters have not been re-calibrated sufficiently quickly to catch up with price increases leading to a build up of debt. The letter indicates that this is a particular issue in Scotland and that some 50,000 meters need to be recalibrated in SP's area and that the issue is attracting a high level of political interest. The letter also notes that many of SP's competitors do not apply the increased tariff until the meter has been reset and that those (three) suppliers who apply it from the date of the tariff change have committed to improve performance. However, the letter notes that SP's progress appears to have slowed and that Ofgem will be looking at what further



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regulatory action Ofgem might take if deemed necessary.

See subsequent consultation (Supply Licence Review: Further consultation on licence drafting for the obligation to reset prepayment meters following a price change issued on 26 April).

The letter also notes that Ofgem's first meeting with Iberdrola as the new owner is being arranged for early summer.

Issue: Changes to Scottish DNO licences covering provision of meter services

Titles:

Electricity Act 1989 Section 11 & Section 49A Modification of the Distribution Licence of Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution Plc and Notice of the reasons and decision to modify the licence

Electricity Act 1989 Section 11 & Section 49A Modification of the Distribution Licence of SP Distribution Limited and Notice of the reasons and decision to modify the licence

Issued: 25 April
Effective from: 1 April 2007

Links:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/LICENSING/WORK/NOTICE/S/MODNOTICE/Documents1/modification%20of%20DN%20licence%20SHEPD.PDF>
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/LICENSING/WORK/NOTICE/S/MODNOTICE/Documents1/modification%20of%20DN%20licence%20SPD.PDF>

Further to a notice issued on 14 March, Ofgem has published its decision to modify the distribution licences of the two Scottish companies to make changes equivalent to those progressed for the 12 England and Wales to clarify the sunset clause on provision of metering services obligations and amend the current asset-life adjustment mechanism in the prepayment meter charge restriction.

Issue: Clarifying the agreements where changes can be appealed to the Authority

Title:

Conclusions in respect of proposed modification of standard licence condition (SLC) C9 ('Functions

of the Authority') and Notice under Section 11A of the Electricity Act 1989

Issued: 26 April
Response due: 28 May

Links:

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Notices/ModNotice/Documents1/070426_ex_C9conclusions-section11ANotice_FINAL_LN.pdf

Ofgem has issued a statutory notice on its proposal to change the standard conditions in the Transmission Licence to clarify that paragraph 4 of SLC 9 (Functions of the Authority), which allows the Authority to settle disputes arising from variations to the agreement at the request of the licensee or other party to an agreement, applies to agreements made under SLCs 8, 9 and 18.

Issue: Clarifying the licence requirements on suppliers to recalibrate pre-payment meters following a tariff change

Title: Supply Licence Review: Further consultation on licence drafting for the obligation to reset prepayment meters following a price change

Issued: 26 April
Response due: 3 May

Link:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/Compl/SLR/Documents1/PPM%20recalibration%20open%20letter%20\(Apr%2007\).pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/Compl/SLR/Documents1/PPM%20recalibration%20open%20letter%20(Apr%2007).pdf)

Ofgem has issued a consultation on amending supply licences to require suppliers to "take all reasonable steps" to reset meters where there has been a price change, "even where the price change occurred before the new obligation is in place". However, the consultation also notes that the "reasonable period of time" in which all reasonable steps have to be taken does not begin until the modification is made.

NOTICES OF LICENCES REVOKED

Company/Licence: EdF Trading Limited– electricity supply licence.
Revoked at request of licensee (letter dated 19 February).

Notice issued/licence revoked: 23 April



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Link:

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/LICENSING/WORK/NOTICE/S/MODNOTICE/Documents1/070426_ex_C9conclusions-section11ANotice_FINAL_LN.pdf

GOVERNMENT AND OTHER BODIES

NFPA

Issue/Title: e-ROC Auction of Renewable Obligation Certificates

Issued: 24 April

Response due: n/a

The NFPA has published a press release giving results from their 24 April auction where nearly 75,000 ROCs were sold. The average price excluding co-fired ROCs was reported to be £47.51 (up from £46.18 in January) and the average price of co-fired ROCs was reported to be £46.41 (up from £35.50 in January).

Environmental Audit Committee

Issue/Title: NEW INQUIRY - The structure and operation of Government and the challenge of Climate Change

Issued: 23 April

Written evidence is requested by: 25 May

Link:

http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_committees/environmental_audit_committee/eac_23_04_07.cfm

The Environmental Audit Committee has launched a new inquiry which will focus on “the adequacy of the current structure and operation of government in dealing with the challenge posed by climate change”.

The Inquiry’s terms of reference include....

“Energy policy, where recent discussions by political and environmental commentators have focussed on the need better to take account of the environmental context of energy provision through a possible restructuring of the DTI and DEFRA.”

The European Union’s Emissions Trading Scheme

Issue: Approval of more NAPs

Titles:

Emissions trading: Commission adopts decision on Austria's national allocation plan for 2008-2012 &

Emissions trading: Commission adopts decision on Hungary's national allocation plan for 2008-2012

Issued: 2 April & 16 April

Response due: n/a

Link (Austria):

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/07/459&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

Link (Hungary):

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/07/501&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

The Commission has approved Austria’s and Hungary’s NAPs subject to changes, that include a reduction in the total number of emission allowances proposed. The cleared annual allocation is 6.4% less than Austria had proposed and 12.4% less than Hungary had proposed.

The European Union - Electricity industry related press releases (titles & links)

Brussels, 2 April 2007

Emissions trading: Commission adopts decision on Austria's national allocation plan for 2008-2012

Link:

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/07/459&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

Brussels, 2 April 2007

Stavros Dimas (Member of the European Commission, responsible for environment Opening speech by Commissioner Dimas)

8th Session of Working group 2 of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

Link:

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?referen>



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Brussels, 6 April 2007

Climate change: IPCC report supports EU goal of limiting global warming to 2°C

Link:

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/07/491&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

Brussels, 16 April 2007

Emissions trading: Commission adopts decision on Hungary's national allocation plan for 2008-2012

Link:

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/07/501&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

EREG (European Regulators Group for Electricity and Gas) Press Releases

Issue/Title: EU energy regulators recommend measures for an EU electricity grid

Issued: 30 April

Link to press release:

http://www.ereg.org/portal/page/portal/EREGE_HOME/EREG_ADMIN/PR-07-06_CB_Framework_Network_Infrastructure_2007-04-30.doc

THE BSC AND CUSC

The BSC

BSC Modification Proposals

New Modifications

P211 (Main imbalance price based on ex-post unconstrained schedule)

Raised by: EdF Energy

On: 16 April

The Mod seeks to change the BSC rules to introduce the concept of an “ex-post unconstrained schedule”

which is constructed from the volume of least costly bids and offers that were available to the GB SO in each half hour (ignoring the impact of dynamic parameters) and are required to resolve the net imbalance on the system. This is then used in the calculation of SBP when the system is short and SSP when the system is long in a similar way to the current price stacks (derived from accepted bids and offers). The Modification proposes keeping the PAR (price average reference) adjustment at the current level but suggests that the Mods Group should consider whether other adjustments (such as CADL (Continuous Acceptance Duration Limit)) would still be needed.

P212 (Main Imbalance Price based on Market Reference Price)

Raised by: Bizzenergy

On: 27 April

The Modification proposes changes to the calculation of the Main Imbalance Prices (SBP when the system is short and SSP when the system is long). Under the proposed changes the main price would be calculated from the Market Reference Price (which is currently used to set the reverse price (SBP when the system is long and SSP when the system is short)) plus or minus a predetermined percentage adjustment (5% is suggested). The modification also contemplates changes to the calculation of system length.

P213 (Facilitating microgeneration (Optional Single MPAN))

Raised by: E.ON UK

On: 30 April

The Modification seeks to make changes to the BSC that are necessary to support wider industry changes that would allow a supplier to register both the export and the import from a customer with microgeneration under a single MPAN (Meter Point Administration Number).

BSC Review 2006/7 – Funds Administration

Issued: 5 April

Response due: raised as a BSC Issue

Link:

http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Publications/Publications_-_BSC_Review/BSC_Review_06_07_-_Final_Report.pdf



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ELEXON has published a review of the Funds Administration activity undertaken as part of its obligation to undertake a biennial review of the BSC. The report concludes that the arrangements specified in the BSC “do not always align with modern banking practices or provide the most efficient and cost effective way of operating”.

The report includes both minor proposals for change to improve practices and some more substantive changes that require further debate on industry objectives/requirements of the process. It is for the industry to determine whether or not to progress these issues – the report suggests that progression through a Standing Modification Group would be the most effective route for considering the changes (see new “BSC Issue” below).

BSC Issue

Issue 27 (Funding Administration)

Raised by: Scottish Power
Raised on: 23 April

Issue 27 has been raised to address a number of issues and potential solutions associated with the BSC funding arrangements that were identified during the BSC Review.

BSC – joiners and leavers and change of name

Magnox Electric plc (Party ID: MAGNOX) has changed its registered Party name to Nuclear Decommissioning Authority.

CUSC

CUSC Amendment Proposals

Withdrawn Caps

CAP147: Deemed Access Rights to the GB Transmission System for Renewable Generators

This CAP has now been withdrawn.

New CAPs

CAP148: Deemed Access Rights to the GB Transmission System for Renewable Generators

Raised by: Wind Energy (Forse) Limited

The CAP proposes changes to the GB access arrangements to give renewable generators priority referencing the requirements of Article 7 of the Renewables Directive 2001/77. The CAP proposes giving renewable generators firm access to the GB Transmission System up to their CEC (Connection Entry Capacity) limit by a fixed date with compensation, in the form of a new category of Interruption Payment, being payable if they are constrained from exercising this right. Compensation will be payable irrespective of whether or not any associated deep reinforcement works have been constructed and/or commissioned by the relevant date.

The CAP proposes creating a Deemed Transmission Entry Capacity (DTEC) which will apply to the portion of a User's output that is generated from renewable sources, (as defined by the Electricity (Guarantees of Origin of Electricity Produced from Renewable Sources) Regulations 2003).

The key elements of the amendment specified in the CAP are reproduced below.

- a) “ *under its Connection Agreement(s), a renewable generator will be deemed to have TEC on the earlier of (1) the date by which NGET can deliver Transmission Entry Capacity (“TEC”); or (2) three years after the later of: (i) the date on which the generator obtains its project planning consents; or (ii) the date on which it accepts a Connection Offer from NGET, subject in both cases (1) and (2) to a local connection having been consented and commissioned: such date being the “DTEC Completion Date”;*
- b) *for renewable generators, the concept of TEC will be abolished and replaced by DTEC, which will apply on a permanent basis. NGET will not be obliged to carry out deep reinforcement works in order to guarantee firm access if it considers it to be more economic to make constrained payments but this will not override the provisions of (a)(1) above;*
- c) *in the event that NGET has to constrain generators as a consequence of the GB Transmission System being unable to meet the usage requirements of generators with TEC (including STTEC and LDTEC) and DTEC then it shall be contractually obliged to pay compensation for associated losses;*



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- d) *the additional category of Interruption Payment will be funded through NGET's regulated income from Transmission Network Use of System Demand Charges ("TNUoS Charges"); and*
- e) *NGET shall be obliged to constrain conventional generators off the GB Transmission System, where technically possible, rather than constrain off renewable generators."*

CUSC Decisions

CAP126 (Clarification of the applicability and definition of Qualifying Guarantee and Independent Security)

Decision: REJECT

Date of decision: 18 April

Panel recommendation: Approve (unanimous recommendation)

The CAP had proposed clarifications to the application and definition of "Qualifying Guarantees" and "Independent Security Arrangements".

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SUMMARY OF APRIL 2007 CONSULTATIONS & NEW BSC AND CUSC MODS AND DECISIONS

Please note that whilst considerable effort is made to keep this up to date some, possibly important, consultations and announcements will inevitably have been missed. Readers should also refer to the relevant documents to confirm response dates.

CARRIED FORWARD FROM LAST EDITION...		Issued	Response Due
DEFRA	Title: Operation of the UK National Emission Reduction Plan (NERP) Link: http://www.defra.gov.uk/corporate/consult/emission-reductionplan/consultation.pdf Link to draft regulations: http://www.defra.gov.uk/corporate/consult/emission-reductionplan/nerp-consultationdraftregs.pdf	27 Feb	22 May
DEFRA	Title: Draft Climate Change Bill Link to consultation page for Bill: http://www.defra.gov.uk/corporate/consult/climatechange-bill/index.htm Link to press release: http://www.defra.gov.uk/news/2007/070313a.htm	13 March	12 June
DEFRA	Title: Marine White Paper Link to press release: http://www.defra.gov.uk/news/2007/070315a.htm	15 March	8 June
Ofgem	Title: National Grid's Winter 2007/08 Consultation Document March 2007 Link to Ofgem PR: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/temp/ofgem/cache/cmsattach/19162_R12.pdf?wtfom=/ofgem/press/pressrelease-list.jsp Link to consultation: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/temp/ofgem/cache/cmsattach/19161_50b07.pdf Link to cover letter: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/temp/ofgem/cache/cmsattach/19160_5007.pdf	27 March	14 May
Ofgem	Title: Electricity Distribution Licence Review Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/ofgem/whats-new/archive.jsp?section=whats-new&levelids=&upper=2008&lower=2007#top17146	27 March	11 May



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DEFRA	<p>Title: Commission's proposal to include aviation in the EU Emissions Trading Scheme</p> <p>Link: http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/open/aviationemissions/trading/</p>	30 March	1 June
DEFRA	<p>Issues Paper and questionnaire on the EU ETS Review</p> <p>Link: http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/climatechange/trading/eu/future/review/index.htm#5</p>	30 March	11 May
<p>New in April ... (this does not include all the details of licence notices/modifications/applications/revocations/licences granted or EU press releases)</p>			
EU ETS	<p>Titles:</p> <p>Emissions trading: Commission adopts decision on Austria's national allocation plan for 2008-2012</p> <p>Emissions trading: Commission adopts decision on Hungary's national allocation plan for 2008-2012</p> <p>Issued: 2 April & 16 April Response due: n/a</p> <p>Link (Austria): http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/07/459&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en Link (Hungary): http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/07/501&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en</p>	2 & 16 April	n/a
Ofgem	<p>Title: Notice of Modification of the Special Conditions of National Grid Electricity Transmission PLC's Electricity Transmission Licence under Section 11 of the Electricity Act 1989</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?docid=3&refer=LICENSING/WORK/NOTICES/MODNOTICE</p>	3 April	Response due: 30 April (to be effective from 1 April 2007 if implemented)



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Ofgem	<p>Title: Renewables Obligation: Guidance for small generators (50kW or less)</p> <p>Issued: 3 April 2007 Response due: n/a</p> <p>Updated guidance on the procedures for claiming ROCs for renewable generation produced by small generators.</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/SUSTAINABILITY/ENVIRONMENT/RENEWABLOBL/Documents1/small%20generator%20guidance_7707.pdf</p>	3 April	n/a
Ofgem	<p>Title: Structure of electricity distribution charges: update on progress and next steps</p> <p>Issued: 3 April First meeting of DCMF: 3 May</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistributionChrgs/Documents1/suppliers%20%20letter%20consent%20letter%20030407.pdf</p>	3 April	3 May
Ofgem	<p>Titles:</p> <p>Gas and electricity licence applications - Draft Guidance Document</p> <p>Gas and electricity licence applications - Application Regulations and Guidance Document</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Documents1/Supplementary%20Appendix%20-%20Draft%20guidance%20FINAL%20_2_.pdf</p> <p>Link to application regulations document: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/CustomPages/Documents1/19327_Application_Regs_and_Guidance_Cons_FINAL.pdf</p>	5 April	16 May
Ofgem	<p>Renewables Obligation: Guidance for Agents</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/CustomPages/Documents1/19324_8107.pdf</p>	5 April	n/a



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Ofgem	<p>Title: Ofgem launches new website</p> <p>Issued: 11 April Response due: n/a</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?docid=130&refer=Media/PressRel</p>	11 April	n/a
Ofgem	<p>Title: Modifying the arrangements for the use of objections in the non-domestic market</p> <p>Issued: 17 April Response due: 31 May</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/Compl/CustTransf/Documents1/Objections%20Consultation%20Letter%20170407.pdf Link to MRA appeal decision: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?docid=112&refer=Licensing/ElecCodes/MRA</p>	17 April	31 May
Ofgem	<p>Titles: Climate Change Levy exemption for renewables: Guidance for agents & Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin: Guidance for agents</p> <p>Issued: 19 April Response due: n/a</p> <p>Link (CCL): http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environmnt/cclrenexem/Documents1/Agent%20Guidance%20CCL%20_Final_%20RD.pdf (REGOs): http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environmnt/REGOs/Documents1/Agent%20Guidance%20_Final_%20April%202007.pdf</p>	19 April	n/a



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Ofgem	<p>Titles: Distributed Generation Incentive Innovation Funding Incentive Registered Power Zones Regulatory Instructions and Guidance - Version 2</p> <p>&</p> <p>Electricity Distribution Price Control Revenue Reporting: Regulatory Instructions and Guidance - Version 3</p> <p>&</p> <p>Directions issued by the gas and Electricity Markets Authority to all Distribution Service Providers under Paragraph 10 (Modifications of the revenue Reporting RIGs) of Standard Condition 50 (Price Control Revenue Reporting and Associated Information) of the Distribution Licence; and</p> <p>Notice of reasons Under Section 49A Electricity Act for the Decision to issue the direction</p> <p>&</p> <p>Directions issued by the gas and Electricity Markets Authority to all Distribution Service Providers under Paragraph 9 (Modifications of the DG RIGs) of Standard Condition 51 (Incentive Schemes and Associated Information) of the Distribution Licence; and</p> <p>Notice of reasons Under Section 49A Electricity Act for the Decision to issue the direction</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/DG%20Rigs%20v2%2012%20(for%20publication).pdf http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/Revenue%20Rigs%20V3.12(for%20publication).pdf http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/Direction%20modifying%20revenue%20rigs%20to%20%20version%203%20(final).pdf http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/RevandPrice/Documents1/Direction%20modifying%20DG%20rigs%20to%20version%202.pdf</p>	23 April; 20 April; 16 April (directions)	
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EAC	<p>Title: NEW INQUIRY - The structure and operation of Government and the challenge of Climate Change</p> <p>Link: http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_committees/environmental_audit_committee/eac_23_04_07.cfm</p>	23 April	Written evidence is requested by: 25 May
Ofgem	<p>Title: Big Price Gap Opens Up in the Energy Market as Switching Rates Rocket</p> <p>Issued: 23 April Response due: n/a</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents/1/Ofgem17.pdf</p>		n/a
Ofgem	<p>Title: Token PPMs and debt – open letter to Iberdrola Token PPMs and debt – open letter to Scottish Power</p> <p>Links (Iberdrola): http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Publications/Documents1/Token%20PPMs%20and%20debt%20-%20Open%20Letter%20to%20Iberdrola.pdf (Scottish Power): http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Publications/Documents1/Token%20PPMs%20and%20debt%20-%20Open%20Letter%20to%20Scottish%20Power.pdf</p>	23 April	n/a
Ofgem	<p>Titles: Electricity Act 1989 Section 11 & Section 49A Modification of the Distribution Licence of Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution Plc and Notice of the reasons and decision to modify the licence</p> <p>Electricity Act 1989 Section 11 & Section 49A Modification of the Distribution Licence of SP Distribution Limited and Notice of the reasons and decision to modify the licence</p> <p>Links: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/LICENSING/WORK/NOTICES/MODNOTICE/Documents1/modification%20of%20DN%20licence%20SHEPD.PDF http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/LICENSING/WORK/NOTICES/MODNOTICE/Documents1/modification%20of%20DN%20licence%20SPD.PDF</p>	25 April	Effective 1 April



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Ofgem	<p>Title: Conclusions in respect of proposed modification of standard licence condition (SLC) C9 ('Functions of the Authority') and Notice under Section 11A of the Electricity Act 1989</p> <p>Links: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Notices/ModNotice/Documents1/070426_ex_C9conclusions-section11ANotice_FINAL_LN.pdf</p>	25 April	Effective 1 April
Ofgem	<p>Title: Supply Licence Review: Further consultation on licence drafting for the obligation to reset prepayment meters following a price change</p> <p>Link: http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/Compl/SLR/Documents1/PPM%20recalibration%20open%20letter%20(Apr%202007).pdf</p>	26 April	3 May
EREG	<p>Title: EU energy regulators recommend measures for an EU electricity grid</p> <p>Link to press release: http://www.ergeg.org/portal/page/portal/ERGEG_HOME/ERGEG_ADMIN/PR-07-06_CB_Framework_Network_Infrastructure_2007-04-30.doc</p>	30 April	n/a



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BSC Modifications and CUSC Amendments April 2007.....			
New BSC Mods			
	Proposal	Raised by	On...
P211	Main imbalance price based on ex-post unconstrained schedule)	EdF Energy	16 April
P212	Main Imbalance Price based on Market Reference Price)	Raised by: Bizzenergy	27 April
P213	Facilitating microgeneration (Optional Single MPAN)	Raised by: E.ON UK	27 April
CUSC Decisions			
CAP126	Clarification of the applicability and definition of Qualifying Guarantee and Independent Security Panel recommendation: Approve (unanimous recommendation)	REJECT	18 April
New CAPs			
CAP148	Deemed Access Rights to the GB Transmission System for Renewable Generators	Raised by: Wind Energy (Forse) Limited	April
Withdrawn Caps			
CAP147:	Deemed Access Rights to the GB Transmission System for Renewable Generators	Withdrawn	April

