Gas System Operator

OCM Contingency Exercise

national grid

Summary

- Our primary balancing tool for the NTS is the On-the-day Commodity Market ("OCM") – predominantly as title trades at the NBP.

- In the event National Grid can't access the OCM, and there is a requirement for balancing trades, National Grid will invoke contingency arrangements.

- This involves those who trade on the OCM using forms found on our website to submit bids/offers via email. Instructions provided via ANS.

- These have recently been reviewed, working with ICE and Xoserve.

- We'd like to test the OCM contingency arrangements and are therefore planning an exercise on the 09th March 2021.

Benefits

- Ensure familiarity with contingency procedures.

- Reduce your imbalance risk and exposure to cash out charges in contingency scenarios.

- Provide input and feedback to shape the future arrangements.

What do we need?

- Thank you to all shippers that have registered interest.

- We are still accepting more participants, if you would like to take part in the exercise please register your interest by emailing - box.NTS.EnergyBalance@nationalgrid.com.

- We will be in contact with all registered participants at the end of February 2021 to give an overview of the scenario.

- Please feel free to get in touch prior to this with any questions you may have.

High level plan for the day 09th March 2021

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10:00 – Start of exercise meeting	15 Mins
11:00 – GNCC request bids / offers via simulated ANS (Email)	10 Mins
12:00 – Shippers to supply dummy bids / offers via email	30 Mins
13:00 – GNCC will publish dummy bids offers and inform Shippers of accepted trades	10 Mins
14:00 – GNCC to provide Ice with Trades and Ice to recalculate SAP and SMP buy / Sell	00 Mins
15:00 – Market provided with prices via simulated ANS (Email)	10 Mins
16:00 – End of exercise National Grid to collate Shipper feedback	10 Mins
Total	1 Hour 25 Mins*

* Shippers may spend more time through out the day testing their internal contingency procedures

- **Lessons learnt and subsequent actions will be shared with participants and Ops Forum distribution list**