

# Powering Up

Electricity Balancing System Industry Bulletin

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## EBS Programme Update – July 2017

### EBS Scheduling Goes Live!

When we last wrote to you, the Programme team were busy with several streams of activities in preparation for supporting the business to go live with EBS Scheduling;

- A scheduling parallel run with EBS processes carried out alongside BM activities.
- Certification of Control Room and other business groups in the use of EBS Scheduling Tools.
- A series of Scheduling Trials providing an end-to-end proving of the EBS scheduling processes in a live environment.

All of these activities have been successfully completed – culminating in a 66 hour run using EBS as the prime scheduling tool. The EBS Programme is therefore very pleased to announce that a ‘Go Live!’ decision was made for EBS Scheduling on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017. This significant milestone represents a major step towards the full implementation of the EBS System following our announcement in December 2016 of ‘EBS Scheduling Technical Go Live’. That milestone demonstrated operational readiness of the EBS resilient infrastructure, key interfaces and IS Operational Support.

Whilst implementation of EBS Scheduling represents a significant milestone for National Grid, there is no impact on external parties or interfaces.

## **EBS Dispatch Update**

Now that we have scheduling live, the project team will be focusing on delivery of the dispatch solution.

## **EBS EBSIT Forum and EBSUG**

Following the EBS Scheduling Go Live we will be reconvening the EBSIT external forums. This will include the new business orientated forum, The EBS User Group (EBSUG) which will allow discussion of operational considerations of implementing the EBS Dispatch functionality. (Terms of Reference for EBSUG will be discussed and agreed at the first meeting). We will be providing details of the EBSIT/EBSUG meeting in our next Powering Up Bulletin. We will request representations to the GCRP and the BSC panel, as well as extending invitations to the existing EBSIT distribution. If there are any additional attendees that you wish us to include, please send their email details to [ebs.it@nationalgrid.com](mailto:ebs.it@nationalgrid.com).

Please get in touch with [us](#) if you any questions regarding any of the information presented in our update.

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