

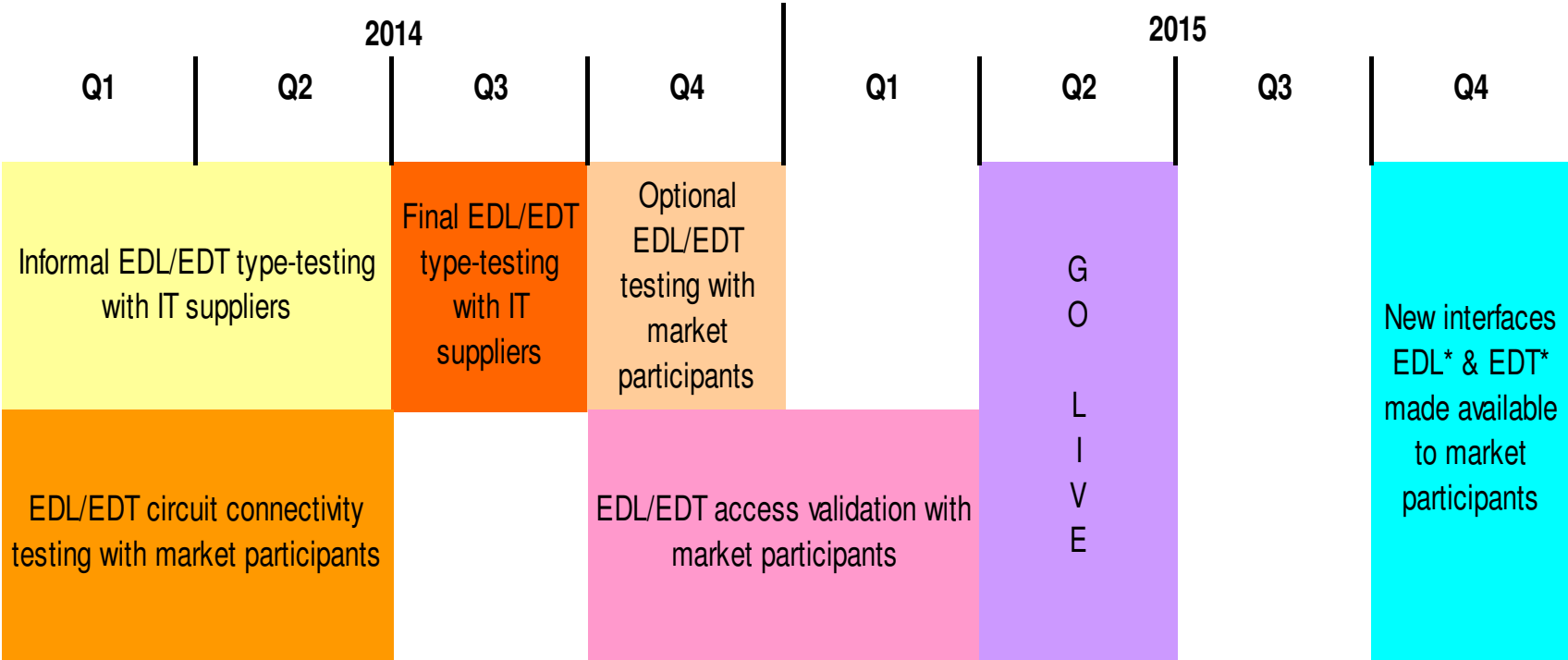
5 - Update on timescales

Robert Paterson

Timescales

- We're still finding substantial numbers of defects
- As the role of this system is key to:
 - Safeguarding supplies to customers
 - Receiving data from Market Participants
- We've delayed the system go-live date from September 2014 to April 2015
- And revised the high-level timescales as per the next slide
- We'll shortly include these revised timescales in an industry update

High-Level Timescales



7 - Testing Update

Steve Roberts

Initial Type Test Progress

- Initial EDT and EDL type tests are complete
- We think that the DIR and LS command response issue has been fixed
- We've successfully tested it with some of suppliers affected
- We had some issues with allowing passive FTP for EDT
 - We think these are now fixed
 - And have re-tested with some of the suppliers affected
- Still some environment-specific performance issues

Update on Circuit Connectivity Tests

- EBS Market Participant Access document circulated
- MPs programming firewall + ACL
 - 60% have confirmed complete
- EDT and EDL connectivity test scripts circulated
- DNS name and IP addresses finalised and circulated
- Proxy solution in place at Wokingham and Warwick
- Commenced circuit connectivity tests with MPs

Next Steps

- Will continue informal type-testing as appropriate
 - Gain confidence that problems are fixed
 - Ad-hoc testing
- Address performance issues
- Final type-testing with a resilient EBS environment to test handling of rapid National Grid end server failover etc.
- Looking for confirmation from MPs that they have complete their firewall and ACL changes
- Progress circuit connectivity tests with MPs

8 – EDL* & EDT*

Afe Ogun

Supplier connectivity to EBS test system

- We're now ready to configure the VPNs to allow suppliers access to the test EDL* and EDT* services over the internet
- Need to determine the first tranche of suppliers who will shortly need connectivity
 - Have you firm plans to develop EDL* or EDT* clients?
 - And you don't have an ISDN connection to National Grid (which you'll still need for remote EDL & EDT testing)

10 – Date of next meeting

Robert Paterson

Date of next meeting

- We propose that the next meeting is on Thursday 20th March
- Suggest deciding whether meeting is physical or virtual nearer the time
 - Like we did for the last couple of meetings
 - Are you in agreement with this approach?

11 – Any Other Business

Robert Paterson

Any Other Business

- To help us plan our testing, please can we have a view as to how many market participants intend using DNS with EBS EDT?
- Given that EBS will have a single production virtual ip address
- Any Other Business?