# **Fast Reserve Market Information from August-18**

Monthly Report Published Jun-18

#### **Key points**

This Market Information Report is relevant for tenders submitted in **July-18** for delivery from **August-18**.

Tenders from eligible service providers for Firm Fast Reserve should be submitted by **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018** (1<sup>st</sup> business day) for all tenders.

National Grid will notify service providers of the outcome of the tender assessment by **Tuesday 17**<sup>th</sup> **July 2018** (12<sup>th</sup> business day).

Firm Fast Reserve is required during the following hours:

- Mon-Fri:
- 06:00 23:30hrs
- Sat, Sun and Bank Holidays: 07:00 – 23:30hrs

The volume requirements are explained on the next page.

Tenders should be submitted on the ARIBA E-Tender platform. If you have not registered in ARIBA or received an invite to the event please contact your Account Manager in the first instance. If you have any questions about the event, email commercial.operations@nationalgrid.com

#### Introduction

Fast Reserve (FR) provides the rapid and reliable delivery of active power through an increased output from generation or a reduction in consumption from demand sources, following receipt of an electronic dispatch instruction from National Grid. Fast Reserve requires all units to have the capability to commence within two minutes following instruction, at rates of 25MW or greater per minute and providing a minimum of 50MW. Fast Reserve is an additional energy balancing service used to control frequency changes.

Fast Reserve may be provided as either a Firm service, procured through a tender process, or as an Optional service. Submitted tender prices are compared to the costs of alternatives to deliver the equivalent level of Fast Reserve. This report provides information to current and potential providers about the volume of, and time periods over which, Firm Fast Reserve is required.

## **Highlights**

In June-18, fifteen tenders were received; four from First Hydro, one from Peak Gen, and ten from UKPR. Following the June-18 assessment, we contracted 90 MW from First Hydro's FFES-4 unit for twelve months from November-18. More details on the tenders that have been accepted or rejected are available from the post-assessment tender reports.

In July-18 tender round we will look to procure Fast Reserve volume from November-18 to March-19 inclusive. Please note from Fig. 1 the open requirement from November-18 to March-19.

Please note once our requirement has been fulfilled we will not procure any further volume. If we require further volume, we will update you via this report.

As part of the August-18 tender round we will be procuring 180 MW of Fast Reserve volume for two weeks in September-18. Further details can be found on our website through the following link:

 $\frac{https://www.nationalgrid.com/sites/default/files/documents/Fast%20Reserve%20ad-hoc%20tender 0.pdf}{}$ 

The Market Report containing Post-Assessment details are available at: <a href="https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity/balancing-services/reserve-services/fast-reserve?market-information">https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity/balancing-services/reserve-services/fast-reserve?market-information</a>

The Fast Reserve Assessment Principles Report and other useful reports are available at:

https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity/balancing-services/reserve-services/fast-reserve

For a monthly cost summary of services procured please follow the below link to the Monthly Balancing Services Summary (MBSS), which breaks costs down by service including the Firm and Optional Fast Reserve costs.

https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity/market-operations-and-data/system-balancing-reports

#### **Fast Reserve Market Information**

## Firm Fast Reserve Requirement



The figures on this page show the amount of existing contracted Fast Reserve available per month and per day, against the optimal firm fast reserve requirement.

Fig.1 shows our monthly Fast Reserve requirement against our current contracts for the next 12 months.

Fig. 2 to Fig.4 shows our requirement by day and contracted Fast Reserve for the delivery month of August-18.

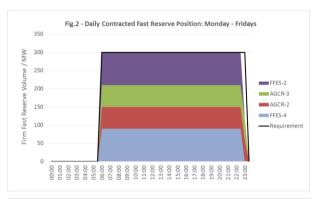
The Firm requirement is 300MW for all periods between

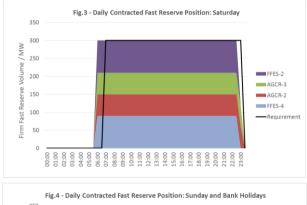
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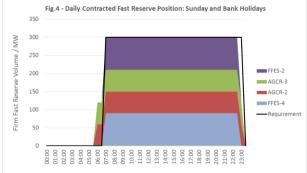
Table 1: 12 month requirement

Month	Additional Optimal Max Firm Requirement (MW)
Aug-18	0
Sep-18	0
Oct-18	0
Nov-18	110
Dec-18	110
Jan-19	110
Feb-19	110
Mar-19	50
Apr-19	210
May-19	210
Jun-19	210
Jul-19	210

The data used to produce the graphs of the Firm Fast Reserve requirement and contracted volume for each delivery month is available in the 'Fast Reserve Market Information Data' spreadsheet.







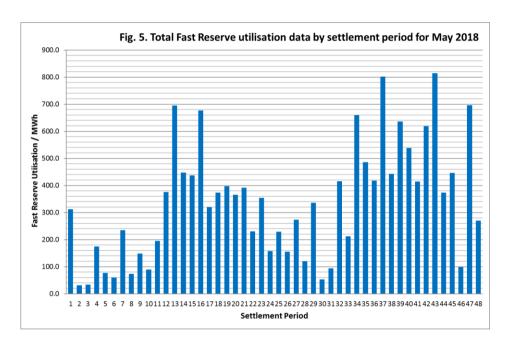
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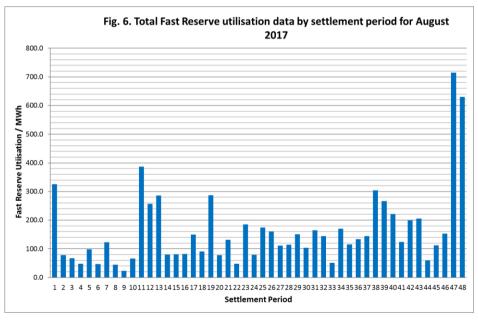
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#### Fast Reserve Utilisation data

The following information is based on the aggregate of all accepted Offers from BM and NBM units to provide Fast Reserve.

Figure 5 and 6 are bar charts of the total utilisation by Settlement Period over one month. This data therefore represents the daily profile of Fast Reserve utilisation from the last month, May-18 (Figure 5) and the daily utilisation profile of the next delivery month from last year, August-17 (Figure 6). Please note that each bar chart is the total utilisation for the whole month across all settlement periods and is not the average utilisation by settlement period.





### **Reason Codes**

The table below provides guidance as to the reasons that a tender has been rejected. They can be matched against the numbers in the 'Reason Code' section of the Post Tender Report. This will be effective for tenders submitted from November 2017.

No.	FR Reason Codes	Definition
1	Price not beneficial	The price submitted was too high and did not
	across tendered	provide any contract benefit against alternative
	period	actions.
2	Tender was not	The tender submitted was not considered beneficial
	beneficial across any	when evaluated against the forecasted cost of
	duration of the tender	alternative actions over any duration of the tender
	period	period.
3 received for the unit	Multiple tenders	Only the most valuable tender of the total group of
	received for the same	submitted tenders was considered.
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4	Beneficial but the	While the tender submitted was considered as
	benefit is lower than	beneficial, on this occasion there were tenders that
	that of other tenders	provided a higher benefit.
5	Beneficial but requirement already satisfied	While the tender submitted was assessed as
		beneficial, the benefit was not determined as
		sufficient for us to contract above our procurement
		requirement.
1 h		Please refer to the 'Technical requirements' and
	Does not meet tender prerequisites and rules	'How to participate' sections using the following link
		to determine the criteria necessary to participate in
		the FR market.
		https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity/balancing-
		services/reserve-services/fast-reserve?how-to-
		<u>participate</u>

Where appropriate, new reasons will be added following each tender round.

This report is under continuous review and development, therefore if you have any comments or suggestions of information you would like to see in the future reports, please contact your account manager or email the assessment team: <a href="mailto:box.AncillaryAssessment@nationalgrid.com">box.AncillaryAssessment@nationalgrid.com</a>