

TF Implementation of Strategic Reserve for Winter 2016-2017

2nd of September 2015

Agenda

Task Force Strategic Reserves Implementation

1. Stand van zaken van de lopende zaken:
2. Resultaten Studie Pöyry
3. Resultaten van de consultatie 'Methodologie Volumes'

Strategic Reserves for winter 2016-17

Feedback from Task Force of 2/9

1. Planning and organisation of Task Forces were presented:

- Main change regarding timing: Functioning rules introduced earlier in order to be published prior to call for candidates

2. Main topics foreseen to evolve for winter 2016/2017:

- SoS analysis methodology and transparency
- Product design: adjustments based on lessons learned (submetering process, formulas, new units...)
- Tender design: analyze how to simplify and deal with volume changes

3. Stakeholders presented their experience feedback and expectations:

- More transparency: on volumes, on offers, on activation rules, on conditions for return to market, on closing units, on CREG methodology
- Timing: information regarding requirements available earlier, more time to prepare offers
- Increase possibilities for product combination
- Reduce requirements in terms of activations (#, reaction time....)
- Importance of submeters stressed
- Possibility of Royal Decree imposing SDR
- ...

⇒ **Elia is currently analysis those requests in order to provide evolutions where possible and/or an adequate answer**

MARKET RESPONSE ESTIMATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Overall objective of the survey is to better understand how the Belgian market participants would react in extreme situations

Challenge

This survey intends to **better understand how the demand side in the market** would react to extreme situations in the Belgian electricity system with a **focus on a working day during winter evening peak**.

Objective

This approach **analyzes each source** (Grid User, BRP, Aggregator) **separately and aggregates** the results to obtain overall results **for Belgium as a whole**

- The questionnaire is designed specifically for three market participant groups
 - Grid Users: Big consumers, directly connected to the Elia grid
 - BRPs: those with physical position (suppliers + generators)
 - Aggregators: Specific demand side possibilities
- The response rate
 - Grid Users: ~75% of the volumes of Elia Grid Users
 - BRPs: ~85% of total Belgian load
 - Aggregators: 80% of aggregators but limited volume

CONCLUSION

174 MW
contract-based with
BRPs

438 MW
price-based
from TSO GU
and gen.
assets

64 MW
price-based
from DSO
GU

150 MW
voluntary
reduction
from DSO
GU

- The presented **MWs are aggregated results** coming directly from answers received in the survey (high response rate) after cross-checks and logical corrections/ extrapolations in a limited number of cases.
- **The flexibility of those MWs is subject to a variety of limitations** that characterize demand response, such as a limited number of occurrences, limited duration, reaction time...therefore **they cannot be added as such; they cannot be considered as such as the equivalent of a SR unit**
 - For contract based volumes, the limits are fixed in the contracts
 - For price based and voluntary based the behaviour of each grid user towards price spikes may be different and vary for one unique price spike hour to several consecutive price-spikes in a winter, and depending on when the situation is known.
 - Some qualitative information on those limitations has been collected in the survey.
- **Next steps:** based on the MWs and limitations collected from the survey Elia will take that flexibility of the demand into account in the Volume Model.

Volume calculation 2016/2017

Request from market: transparency on the calculation method of the volume



Key requirement to improve the **buy-in** and **good understanding** of Elia's adequacy assessments : 3 step approach

**Step 1:
Consultation**

**Step 2:
Communication**

**Step 3:
Reporting**

During each Task Force

Methodology & Process

Add a technical analysis (based on € and market)

In case of fundamental analysis: recalculation on the moment of contracting (latest hypotheses)

In case of fundamental analysis: put a cap on volume of SR (limit interference with market to a strict minimum)

Take into account load flexibility (impact on peak demand)

Change the law in case necessary (timing of the process and role of FPS)

Allow emergency generators to participate in SDR products

Increase certainty of the business opportunity -> barrier for growth of SDR

Reduce uncertainty on the volumes

Compact window allowing a longer sourcing window

Consultation of stakeholders on input and output

Take not only into account officially announced closures (estimate risk of further degrading market conditions)

Improve on TSO coordination (no double counting on available capacity)

The methodology should evolve towards a more integrated approach (generation + transmission)

Methodology is currently being improved; some remarks are already captured by ongoing improvements; others are open for further discussion. Points of attention: legal provisions; responsibility Elia. We will elaborate in more detail on concrete actions during next TFs.

Communication & Reporting

Permanent publication of details on generation plants (capacity, date of closure, ...)
Publish evolution of demand flexibility
Publish more information on output (missing MW per hour, how often shortage driven by FR, ...)
Publish information neighbouring countries (available capacity in periods of cold spell)
Publish contribution of interconnectors (available technical transfer capacity)
Publish impact N-1 criterion and loop-flow issues on new interconnection project
Include back-testing winter 2014/2015
Provide more information on load data (history, temperature sensitivity, ...)
Provide more information on RES (installed capacity, evolution, ...)
Provide more information on how reserves are taken into account (no double counting with unplanned outages)
Provide more information on how neighbouring countries are taken into account (import/export)
More communication afterwards (for example after the tendering procedure in case of gap in contracted volume)

Requested information is to some extent already transparent; further improvements are already ongoing and possible. Points of attention include confidentiality and transparency obligations of different actors in liberalised market . We will elaborate in more details on concrete actions during next TFs.