

## Welcome to our October Flexibility Services news update

Northern Powergrid aims to provide you with information that's interesting and relevant, so we're interested in your feedback and what you'd like to hear more about. Contact us at <a href="flexibility@northernpowergrid.com">flexibility@northernpowergrid.com</a>

#### Autumn tender round now live

We're calling for flexibility services for winter 2023/24 and winter 2024/25. We are seeking demand turn down/generation turn up at HV or LV to support three primary substations, and at LV to support ten distribution substations. We are also calling for expressions of interest in providing demand turn down/generation turn up services from winter 2027/28 to support six other primary substations.

You can find details of the flexibility requirements and locations on the Piclo Flex dashboard



To take part in any of our tenders you will need to register an account on Piclo Flex and complete the pre-qualification process there. Since the previous tender we have revised the pre-qualification questions and our contract for flexibility services so that they align with the industry wide work so far on standardisation.

Piclo Flex displays our competition zone on a map, and assets that you register will be placed on the map. We have published a file with details of our competition boundaries for the current competitions. This can be downloaded from the Piclo datahub.

#### Key dates are:

 Tuesday 17 October 23:59 deadline to complete the DPS (company registration)

- Tuesday 24 October 23:59 deadline to complete asset registration
- Tuesday 31 October competition bidding window opens
- Monday 6 November 23:59 competition bidding window closes

Visit our <u>Piclo Energy homepage</u> for more information and support.

# Webinar: How to participate in Northern Powergrid's flexibility competitions

Thursday October 12th, 11:00 - 12:00



This joint Northern Powergrid and Piclo webinar is for Flexibility Service Providers (FSPs) in the North East, Yorkshire and Northern Lincolnshire, interested in registering and qualifying to bid in the Autumn 2023 tender.

To register for the online event please see further details here.

### **Community DSO Project**

Community DSO will empower and advance locally owned and operated smart energy systems that will deliver low voltage (LV) network flexibility, network resilience, and social and environmental benefits. Project Trial 1 tender will be going live soon.

To find out more please see Community DSO website



For any questions or queries about the project, please contact

CommunityDSO@northernpowergrid.com

# **Chris Palmer and Jane Watson join the team**





We have two new additions to the System Flexibility Team. Chris Palmer and Jane Watson both have extensive Northern Powergrid experience. Chris has joined the team as the Community DSO Technical Lead and Jane the Engagement Lead. But they will also be involved in System Flexibility activities working alongside the rest of the team of Maurice Lynch, Laura Brown, Liz Sidebotham Jeremy Meara and Nicole Butterworth.

### **Open Data Plan Workshop**

Northern Powergrid are supporting our region to meet net zero at least cost through how we operate and develop our distribution network. In addition, we are making data about our current and future network more accessible to enable us to work collaboratively with stakeholders, to both inform our strategic plans and their decisions to optimise the whole system solution.



Committed to our principles of transparency, accessibility and interoperability, we are sharing how we have recently updated our <a href="Open Data">Open Data</a>
<a href="Portal">Portal</a> and checking that our plans for future development meet your needs to maximise your value.

We want to share what open data is available and capture your data needs now and for the long term as well as all the data challenges you face.

Please register here

### **Energy Innovation Summit**

The flexibility team will be at the Energy Innovation Summit this year! It is being held 31 October - 1 November 2023 in Liverpool.

The summit is a chance to speak and connect with like-minded people across the industry. There are also sessions throughout the day with a jam-packed agenda. In addition to this there will be plenty of opportunity for networking and round table discussions.

Please register <u>here</u> and to find out more please visit the <u>Energy Innovation Summit website</u>

### **Regional Decarbonisation Conference**

Last month we welcomed many of our key stakeholders to our Regional Decarbonisation Conference in Leeds. This event marks the beginning of the ED2 regulatory period, in which our ability to enable the net zero aspirations of Yorkshire and the Northeast is a key priority for us.

We will be sharing more following this event including a brief video summary, but if you have any questions in the meantime please get in touch at

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### Other stakeholder events

Check out upcoming Northern Powergrid events or catch up on previous events <u>here.</u>