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1.0 Document Purpose

1.1 Preamble

This document provides links to National Grid’s published data sets in relation to upcoming, awarded and archived procurement for flexibility.

1.2 About Our Procurement Activities

National Grid facilitates its procurement activity through its online portal, [Market Gateway](#). FSPs seeking to deliver flexibility services should register on the Market Gateway and complete the pre-qualification requirements to enable their eligibility to enter into flexibility Trades.

Pre-qualification is always open and can be completed at any time. Further Guidance can be found on the National Grid DSO [website](#).

1.3 About Our Engagement Activities

In addition to our formal engagement activities, we are happy to engage with interested parties at any time, please email nged.flexiblepower@nationalgrid.co.uk.

Where registration for engagement activities are TBC, we will update relevant document and the National Grid DSO [website](#) as early as possible after these are known

1.4 Modifications

We reserve the right to add, amend or remove procurement and engagement activities at any time and will update relevant document accordingly and periodically when required.

1.5 Further Guidance and Contact

| Document | Description |
|--|--|
| Flex in Five | A brief overview of flexibility |
| End to End Market Gateway Guide | A guide through the process of using Market Gateway for trades |
| Participation Diagrams | An overview of the steps to participation |
| Procurement and Engagement Timetable | Timetable and dates of our activities |
| Guidance for Electricity Distribution FSPs | A complete in-depth guide to flexibility |

Contact us:

The Flexibility team can be contacted with the details below.

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1.6 About Annual Flex Assessment Data

We conduct an assessment of our flexibility needs every year; this assessment forecasts the flexibility requirements that we may go on to procure in the future. Each year, the flexibility assessment may identify new CMZ locations where flexibility is needed, identify adjustments to volumes of flexibility we need in existing zones and identify CMZs that are no longer viable for flexibility. We name each annual flexibility assessment with a Tranche number and letter so they can be separately identifiable, for example, 2024 data was T9A and 2025 was T10A

1.7 About Trade Opportunity Data

This data set is informed by the flex assessment data and details the actual flexibility needs we are taking out to procurement in our long-term and short-term Markets. Our procurement timetable can be viewed [here](#).

1.7 About-Short Term data

Our long-term flexibility needs are procured for delivery on an April-March basis. From March 2026, we will be procuring flexibility in our short-term market on a day-ahead procurement, based on requirements published in our latest Flexibility Assessment Tranche, currently located in our Archive folder. We will publish a separate [Short Term Trade Opportunity](#) data set on a month ahead basis to make clearer and more accessible requirements for each month of our day-ahead market, this data set will continue as a single static location for all ongoing short-term data. All short-term needs have been migrated to the new ENA standard flexibility products.

We have published a can [Day-Ahead Flexibility Fact Sheet](#), which highlights some key information.

For information on flexibility products and to understand how NGED will implement the new ENA standard flexibility products take a look at our guidance documentation [here](#).

2.0 Table

| | | | Low Voltage CMZ's | High Voltage CMZ's | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|---|---|
| | Dataset | Description | Long Term Market SU_SPP (Scheduled Utilisation-specific periods) | Long Term Market SAOU_DA (Scheduled Availability, Day Ahead Operational Utilisation) OU_15 (15 minute notice Operational Utilisation) | Short Term Market SU (Scheduled Utilisation) |
| Annual Flexibility Assessment Data | WHERE; Postcode and polygon data | Ahead of registering MPAN data with us, you can get a good indication of whether your assets are with a CMZ using these files. | Click here | | |
| | HOW MUCH; Ceiling prices | We have set ceiling prices for all Zones, this data set outlines the maximum price of bids we'll accept. | Click here | Click here | |
| | WHEN; Requirement volumes | A forecast of what peak volume we potentially need in each CMZ. | Click here | | |
| | WHEN; Requirement profiles | A forecast of what volumes we may need in each CMZ per settlement period. | Click here | | |
| Trade Opportunity Data | Trade Parameters | The actual flexibility needs that we want to buy. Detailed per settlement period, with ceiling prices and volumes. We also publish graphs to support the Long Term Trade Parameter Data. | Click here | Click here | Click here |
| Archive Data | Flex Assessment Data | Records of previous Annual Flex Assessment data. | Click here | | |
| Result Data | Long Term Trade Results | Published information on our Long Term procurement activities to date. | Click here | | Click here |
| Visibility Data | Flexibility Reporting | The data we share with Ofgem to report on our flex activities, including transparent data on our utilisation decisions. You will need to have registered a registered account to access this data which you can do here . | Click here | | |

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