



Draft Meeting minutes	
	14.10.2024
Meeting	PDG Forecasting & Settlement
Date	08.10.2024
Location	Atrias – Meeting Room “Pacifique”

Attendance List

A. Market Parties

Name	First name	Organisation
Butaye	Frédéric	Transfo.energy
Callebaut	Santini	Energie.be
Chong	Jean-Paul	Avanade
D’Hollander	Gert	Luminus
Dangila	Stefania	Cogenius
De Staercke	Alexis	Eneco
De Wel	Bo	Elindus
Delcoix	Joline	Yuso
Devale	Neha	Yuso
Dey	Indrajit	Accenture
Dubois	Pierre	Totalenergies
El Jaafari	Nadia	Engie Belgium
Emons	Andy	Accenture
Henderson	Sven	Energy Global
Hendrix	Johan	Ebem
Lange	Amandine	Ngage consulting
Marcos	Alejandro	Totalenergies
Mastour	Lahcen	Axpo
Mélard	Thibaut	Octaplus
Metten	David	Luminus
Mirtchev-Neiryck	Vladimir	Eneco
Olivier	Eric	European Commodities
Olivier	Florence	European Commodities

Pirotte	Sébastien	Mega
Pycke	Bart	Yuso
Redwam	Adem	Axpo
Reggers	Johannes	Totalenergies
Sagory	Olivier	Avanade
Sandro	Michetti	Eneco
Six	Levi	Aspiravi
Souilem	Esma	Haulogy
Stojanov	Dimitar	Yuso
Vaes	Koen	Luminus
Van Den Vroeck	Lies	Dats24
Vandenberghe	Thamas	Elindus
Verdonck	Kathleen	Engie Belgium
Verhegge	Karen	Luminus
Vivijs	Tineke	Eneco
Walmagh	Gunter	Delta advice
Wéry	Sébastien	Luminus

B. Network Operators

Name	First name	Organisation
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Amzile	Taoufik	Siblega
Bougrine	Hamza	Atrias
Clemminck	Geert	Fluvius
Colas	Jean-Louis	Ores
Cosijn	Floris	Atrias
De Pelssemaker	Annabelle	Resa
De Schouwer	Stefan	Atrias
Degand	Jean-Philippe	Sibelga
Doms	Christian	Arewal
Donnay	Eric	Resa
Doumont	Dimitri	Ores
Glorieux	Jacques	Synergrid
Gosselin	Lionel	Arewal
Jeunieux	Eric	Ores
Malfait	Olivier	Ores
Matthys	Sandra	Fluvius
Milis	Kevin	Synergrid
Nguyen	Toan	Arewal
Salden	Christina	Fluvius
Tranchet	Steven	Fluvius
Verbiese	Michaël	Atrias
Verscheure	Peter	Atrias
Wynants	Bram	Atrias
Zeebroek	Guido	Fluvius

The slides presented during this meeting are available on the Synergrid website, on the page of the PDG Settlement¹

The goal of this meeting was to have a first discussion with market parties on the planned changes coming to Settlement. These planned changes are a mix of the implementation of regulatory requirements (the capture of 15' values for Flanders, and Tariff Wallonia for Wallonia) as well as a number of improvements to settlement, called the Settle 2.0 project. As the finalisation of the corresponding business requirements is planned further towards the end of 2024, the presented design is not the final design for Settle 2.0, but only contains those scope elements that are already certain. A next stakeholder meeting will be held at the end of November 2024 to discuss further changes with the stakeholders. It is also important to note that the Settle 2.0 project and its current scope is not meant to be the end point of changes and improvements to settlement, as other improvements are sure to follow at a later date.

The stakeholder meeting was organised jointly between Synergrid and Atrias, as it covered both proposed model changes, discussed within Synergrid, as well as the implementation/project track managed by Atrias. These meeting minutes aim to capture the oral discussion that took place during the stakeholder meeting, as the presentation can be found online as described previously, and the full chat log, containing writing interactions during the meeting is append to these meeting minutes.

1. Synergrid PDG

Tariff Wallonia:

When it comes to the changes discussed in light of Tariff Wallonia, European Commodities wishes to know why the decision was made to implement such a scheme for points in SMR1, and why it is not restricted to only points in SMR3, as European commodities feels that an hourly ToU with only daily volumes being collected is hard to understand. The Walloon DSOs clarify in response that it is a regulatory choice, made by the CWaPE, as the regulation stipulates that the new tariffication is available also for clients in SMR1. Furthermore, Fluvius indicates that there might also be a new ToU in Flanders in the future, and that Fluvius is in favor that it will not be on an opt-in/opt-out basis as it is in the Walloon area since this will yield less benefits than a mandatory static ToU for everyone. This means that the way of handling ToUs needs to accommodate both SMR3 and SMR1. Additionally, the DSOs clarify that, for any point opting in to the incentive tariffication, the allocation will use quarter hourly data. Whether or not the Walloon DSOs will capture 15' data for all SMR1 points in 2026 is a matter still under investigation and discussion.

¹ <https://www.synergrid.be/nl/marktoverleg/pdg-settlement> or <https://www.synergrid.be/fr/concertation-du-marche/pdg-settlement>

There are also some further clarifying remarks in response to questions from the market parties:

Weekdays that are public holiday will be treated as a normal day as far as the ToU is concerned, and in response to the tariff tensions between the colours, figure 1 is posted in the chat of the meeting.

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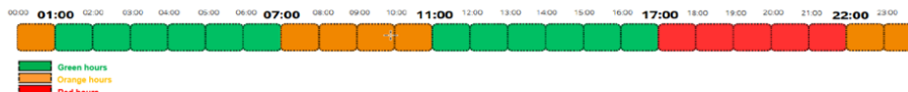


Figure 1: Tariff tensions

SMR1 15' & Daily Photo Provisional allocation

In response to questions from the market parties related to the timing and roll-out of the use of SMR 15' data, the DSOs state that there will be different time lines and not one fixed deadline. In any case the priority is quality and only if the different market parties can agree on a feasible high-quality implementation with the necessary testing a data can be fixed. Sibelga clarifies that they will be using the RMV for SMR1 until 2028. For Flanders, Fluvius clarifies that the change is planned for somewhere in 2026, with the exact date to be fixed in the coming weeks. Additionally, the long term goal of Fluvius is to have as few non-profiled points as possible. Note that there probably will always remain some non-profiled points, due to for instance non-communicating meters.

In response to concerns of the market parties that this seemingly creates a risk that the same settlement method code in the TMD might have a different meaning across the regions, the DSOs clarify that the TMD codes will be harmonised: so while the used settlement method for an SMR1 might vary from region to region, the methods themselves will remain harmonised across the region (and so each settlement method will have its unique TMD encoding).

Market parties also wonder what the impact will be of the proposed change on the reconciliation. Fluvius answers that the expected impact on the reconciliation is positive, as the volumes implicated in the reconciliation are expected to diminish.

During the discussion various market parties indicate that they strongly support this move towards the capture and use of SMR1 15' data. Yuso indicates that this will help improve allocation results, especially of intermittent renewables. Yuso estimates that this change will have a big, transformative impact on the Belgian market, so they ask the DSOs to work on a timely implementation. Luminus states that the push towards the capture and use of SMR1 data as outlined here for Flanders will also be indispensable for Wallonia. Furthermore, both Yuso and European Commodities are of the opinion that this change will probably trigger a large uptake in SMR3, as this way of working provides a large tangible benefit for suppliers and BRPs to switch to SMR3, so SMR1-based contracts might become more scarce and more expensive. While the

DSOs welcome the enthusiasm of these forward looking market parties, they do caution that there are different customer (and supplier) needs where SMR1 can be beneficial. For the end consumer, SMR1 offers better privacy, as their 15' data is not exposed to the market. Additionally, the market-wide costs to properly set-up a data chain for all the portfolio where it is only beneficial/proportionate for a part of the portfolio would mean an unnecessary increase in data traffic and thus cost. The choice should remain within the supplier-customer relationship.

Two attention points are also raised by market parties pertaining to devices behind the meter:

- European Commodities would like to know how suppliers and BRPs will be informed about the existence of batteries at points under SMR1. The DSOs respond that modalities of sharing information on customer devices behind the meter (legal framework, ...) has to be part of a regulatory framework. Currently, not all devices are reported.
- Luminus has a similar question regarding plug & play PV. They would like that these would be treated in the same way as fixed PV is treated today. The question of Luminus is noted, and will be revisited during another meeting. In relation to this topic, regulatory and market debate will follow.

2. Atrias Implementation

Market parties voice a concern surrounding data integrity. Atrias responds that they are aware that this is an important aspect, and it is certainly on the radar of the project. How exactly the data integrity will be ensured however, is currently still under investigation, as the architectural discussions are currently ongoing within Atrias.

Yuso would also like to know if Settle 2.0 will also support supplier split. Atrias states that this is currently not part of the project roadmap, but if the business requirements are received from the DSOs, Settle 2.0 will support this. Fluvius indicates that the drafting of the business requirements for Supply split are taking place within separate projects. Debate with market and regulator will also start following a "supply split" project roadmap. Since supply split is a cross-domain topic relevant information is being passed along to the Settle 2.0 team, so that the Settle 2.0 project is kept in the loop.

Total Energies wants to know if the settlement timings will be reviewed as part of the Settle 2.0 project. Atrias clarifies that this is not a project goal as such, but that Settle 2.0 can support this should the relevant requirements be received from the DSOs.

In response to Luminus wondering if there will be an impact on message content and interfaces, Atrias states that the message content will not be impacted by Settle 2.0. As for the interface, no decision has been made yet as this is a topic that will be discussed first with the market parties, before a decision is made.

Eneco raises a concern related to the impact from Settle 2.0 on the business as usual incident handling, and the currently scoped data quality improvements, as they want to be sure that Atrias will still allocate sufficient resources to these topics. Atrias understands the concern, but they guarantee that the current servicing will not be impacted, nor will the Electra process. Some continuous assessment will however take place of course, to see how relevant it is to keep investing in the current system, as it is scheduled to be sunset in the future.

3. Closing Remarks

The DSOs thank all parties present for their participation and the lively interaction and debate during the stakeholder meeting, and warmly invite everyone to share their feedback by 3/11, via marketconsultation@synergrid.be

Annex A: Q&A via chat

Edited for clarity & affiliation of participants added. Content exactly as typed in during the meeting. Any question marked as "Answered orally." means that the response to this question has been included in the main body of the meeting minutes.

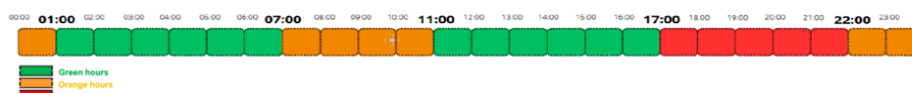
Q1: Bart Pycke (Yuso): Does it mean that Walloon DSO will capture 15-min meter values also for the digital meters in SMR1 ?

A1: Answered orally.

Q2 : Degand Jean-Philippe (Siblega): Quel sera le rapport entre le tarif actuel Low et le taris vert, et entre le tarif High et le tarif orange ou rouge?

A2 : Hamza Bougrine (Atrias):

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Q3: Thamas Vandenberghe (Elindus): Would it be possible to keep to 1 language (preferably english)?

Q4: Kathleen Verdonck (Engie Belgium): It's good to hear that 15 minute data will be used in allocation for SMR1. Will we continue to receive the allocation per SDP for these SDP's ?

A4: Christina Salden (Fluvius): yes

Q5: Michetti, S (Sandro) (Eneco): will we receive some kind of ExV for NON_PROFILED_SMR1 (as is now the case), in the snapshot ?

A5: Michaël Verbiese (Atrias): Yes, the existing ExV logic will still be applied (and is not dependent of the settlement method)

Q6: Bart Pycke (Yuso): Is er al een datum (target) gekend vanaf wanneer de SMR1 digitale meters in SMART allocatie zullen gaan in Vlaanderen ?

A6: Answered orally

Q7: Kathleen Verdonck (Engie Belgium): Will these EAV's be recalculated on a monthly basis ? so always taking into account the most recent metering data ?

A7.1: Michaël Verbieese (Atrias): The ExV calculation trigger is the BRV. So it depends of the BRV frequency

A7.2: Jean-Philippe Degand (Siblega): Except for Sibelga where it is foreseen to communicate a new EAV each time we receive a new RMV (en calculate an corresponding EMV). You confirm Michael?

A7.3: Michaël Verbieese (Atrias):Sibelga has default monthly BRV for Smarts, so we recalculate monthly, yes.

Q8: Kathleen Verdonck (Engie Belgium): Ideally EAv's for SMR1 are recalculated on a monthly basis if RMV or 15 minute data are used in allocation, even if BRV is yearly.

A8: Michaël Verbieese (Atrias): This is noted Kathleen. We'd like to take some time to understand better the underlying need, let's take some time to discuss later

Q9: Gert D'Hollander (Luminus): how will the reconciliation be impacted

A9: Answered orally

Q10: Nadia El Jaafari (Engie Belgium): will the calculation of RLPs be impacted in a way or another?

A10: There will be no impact on the RLPON, as it will remain the difference between the infeed and the AMR readings. The calculation methods for the other RLPs will also not change, but the underlying volumes might change.

Q11: Gert D'Hollander (Luminus): How will we ensure data integrity between the different systems.

A11: Answered orally

Q12: Bart Pycke (Yuso): Will the Atrias Settle 2.0 Engine also support the 'supplier split' / MLOEA (Meerdere Leveranciers achter EEN Aansluiting) ?

A12: Answered orally

Q13: Gert D'Hollander (Luminus): same interfaces and message content as today?

A13: Answered orally

Q14: Alejandro Marcos (Totalenergies): Is it foreseen to review the settlement timings (allocations + recons)?

A14: Answered orally

Q15: Mirtchev-Neiryck, V (Vladimir) (Eneco): how will this project impact the current bau incident handling and how will we tackle the improvement of data quality in future months? Want to be sure there will be enough capacity left at Atrias to tackle the current tickets and improve the process.

A15: Answered orally