

## TARIFF FOR EXTERNAL INCONSISTENCY – Period 2020-2023

In addition to the tariff for maintaining and restoring the residual balance of individual balance responsible parties, a **tariff for inconsistency** is applied to energy exchanges on the grid as per the Federal Grid Code. This tariff is intended to give balance responsible parties an economic incentive to ensure consistency between their respective exchange programmes.

Nominations announced by two balance responsible parties are externally inconsistent when the nomination announced by the seller differs from that announced by the buyer.

The following tariffs apply to absolute value differences between the quarter-hourly volumes nominated by these two parties:

- when the volume nominated by the buyer is less than that nominated by the seller: the tariff (absolute value) applies to a balance responsible party's positive imbalance;
- when the volume nominated by the buyer is more than that nominated by the seller: the tariff (absolute value) applies to a balance responsible party's negative imbalance.

Should Elia accept the nominations in question, the tariff is applied as follows:

- if Elia has only received the nomination from one balance responsible party and not from a counterparty, the balance responsible party pays the tariff in full;
- if Elia has received nominations from both balance responsible parties, the tariff is split 50-50 between the two;
- in the event of an internal commercial exchange of energy blocks on a Belgian market pursuant to the Royal Decree Exchange<sup>1 2</sup>: the respective balance responsible party pays the tariff in full.

## TARIFF FOR INCONSISTENT PROGRAMMES

Elia also fines balance responsible parties for submitting inconsistent programmes more than once within a 30-day period.

This fine is currently set at 0.00 EUR/MWh, partly because virtually almost no inconsistencies were recorded during the previous regulatory period. Should it become apparent, however, that such a fine is necessary to ensure the smooth operation of the market, Elia would suggest increasing it, subject to CREG's approval.

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<sup>1</sup> However, if the market operator's counterparty contests the invoice and proves that the situation in question is the result of an error made by the market operator (a company that fulfils the criteria set out in the Royal Decree Exchange), Elia shall issue a credit note to this counterparty for the full amount of said invoice and issue a new invoice to the market operator.

<sup>2</sup> Royal Decree of 20 October 2005 concerning the establishment and organisation of a Belgian market for the exchange of energy blocks.