

CONSULTATION REPORT

Report on the public consultation on the proposal for amendments to the ToE Rules in context of the Synergrid ToE Game Plan

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1. Introduction

Elia organized a public consultation from 18 June 2025 to 1 August 2025 regarding the proposal for amendments of the ToE Rules, in context of the Synergrid ToE Game Plan. Due to the Holiday period, and on the request of market parties, the public consultation was extended until 15 August 2025. The purpose of the public consultation was to obtain comments and feedback from the market parties on the proposed amendments. The feedback is taken into account, leading to the current revised version of the ToE Rules, submitted to the relevant competent regulatory authorities.

Earlier this year, Synergrid and its members drafted a Transfer of Energy (ToE) design note¹, consulted by Synergrid from 20/01/'25 until 28/02/'25 included. The design note aimed to elaborate first on the need for ToE, second on the different ToE models under consideration (the Central Settlement Model (CSM) and the Corrected Model (CM)), as well as alternative ToE regimes (Opt-Out and Pass-Through). Finally, it presented the ToE Game Plan, i.e. the proposed plan for implementation of these different models and regimes for both Balancing Products (aFRR and mFRR) and across voltage levels.

This proposal for amendments to the ToE Rules reflects the design as proposed within the ToE design note, the related envisioned entry into force for the ToE Models for aFRR and mFRR, and extension to the Public Distribution Grid. It takes into account various comments received from market parties during the Synergrid public consultation on the ToE design note.

The changes within this current revision can be grouped as follows:

- 1. Inclusion of the Corrected Model: The text previously described market situations with ToE, and market situations without ToE; the latter being a market situation in either Opt-Out or Pass-Through. Within the market situation with ToE, there was only one model possible, i.e. the model now defined as the CSM. The CM model was added as an alternative. Several articles were updated to include the nuances to Roles & Responsibilities of various market parties opting for this model, as well as define which sections apply only in case the CSM is selected.
- 2. Extension of ToE to the Public Distribution Grid: Within this revision, the text is updated to allow for ToE on the Public Distribution Grid. To facilitate this, the Roles & Responsibilities of the Distribution Grid Operator were included. Note that in parallel, Synergrid organized a Public Consultation on Document Release 3, further specifying (among other topics) the practical data exchange related to ToE for the Distribution Grids.
- 3. Extension of ToE to aFRR: The text was updated to allow for ToE for aFRR.
- 4. Updates to the go-lives: The ToE Rules include a section detailing which market situation is available for what balancing product, depending on the voltage level. This section was updated to reflect when the new CM will be included, when ToE will be extended to aFRR, and when ToE will be made available on the Public Distribution Grid.

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^{1 1} The Synergrid ToE Design Note can be found on the **Synergrid website**.

- 5. Simplification of references to the T&C BSPs and T&C BRP: In certain cases, the conditions included in the ToE Rules overlapped with conditions included in the T&C BSP aFRR and mFRR, and the T&C BRP, such as for example the definition of baselines. Where possible, duplicate conditions were removed, to avoid any discrepancies that might arise at future updates of these T&Cs.
- **6.** Additional changes: Such as updates to definitions, removal of references to the obsolete Strategic Reserves, removal of the specification that only Delivery Points (DP) with net annual offtake can participate in ToE; update to the perimeter correction in case a DP has 2 different BRPs, one responsible for net offtake (BRP_o) and the other responsible for net injection (BRP_I); as well as changes related to market party feedback received during the Synergrid public consultation on the ToE design note, such as the provision of additional data to market parties involved in Opt-Out.

2. Feedback received

In response to the public consultation, Elia received non-confidential answers from the following parties:

- 1) Febeliec
- 2) FEBEG
- 3) European Commodities
- 4) Centrica
- 5) Bnewable
- 6) Abousco

All the non-confidential answers received are available in the Annexes of this report. These non-confidential reactions, together with the consultation report, will be made available on Elia's website.

Elia received one confidential answer, which will not be treated in this report but will be submitted to the competent regulators.

3. Instructions for reading this document

This consultation report is structured as follows:

- Section 1 contains the introductory context,
- Section 2 gives a brief overview of the responses received,
- Section 3 contains instructions for reading this document,
- Section 4 discusses the various comments received during the public consultation and Elia's position on them,
- Section 5 discusses the next steps,
- Section 6 contains the Annexes of the consultation report.

This consultation report is not a 'stand-alone' document but should be read together with the proposal submitted for consultation (and its explanatory note), the reactions received from the market participants (annexed to this document) and the final proposal submitted for validation to the CREG.

Section 4 of the document is structured as follows:

 The comments received by the different stakeholders have been clustered by topic. Each subsection addresses one such cluster; - Each subsection consists in the following table, with additional information on the content per column below.

Subject/Article/Title	Stakeholder	Comment	Justification
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- A. Subject matter covered by the various responses received.
- B. Stakeholder providing the comment.
- C. Description of the comment received.
- D. Elia's answer to the comment, including arguments as to why a comment was or was not included in the final proposal.

4. Comments received during the public consultation

4.1 General positioning with respect to Elia's analysis and proposals

This section provides an overview of the general reactions and concerns of market players that Elia received to the document submitted for consultation.

SUBJECT	STAKEHOLDER	FEEDBACK RECEIVED	ELIA'S VIEW
General position	Febeliec	Febeliec would like to thank Elia for this consultation re-	Elia wishes to thank all respondents for taking the time to participate in the public con-
towards Elia's		garding amendment to the ToE rules and unlocking flex-	sultation and for their feedback regarding Elia's proposal for amendments to the ToE
analysis and pro-		ibility. Febeliec wants to stress the extreme importance	Rules.
posals		to unlock the possibility to valorize all flexibility in the sys-	
		tem, to the benefit of society through lower overall sys-	
		tem costs as well as a more secure operation of the grid.	
		Febeliec strongly supports all initiatives which work to-	
		wards this goal, even though Febeliec finds the progress	
		not fast enough regarding all other rapid evolutions in the	
		energy landscape, including a.o. the issues of incom-	
		pressibility, balancing needs,	
	FEBEG	FEBEG appreciates Elia's initiative to launch this public	
		consultation. The Transfer of Energy (TOE) mechanism	
		is of significant importance to FEBEG members. The fi-	
		nancial implications can be huge for suppliers and BRPs	
		(missed revenues and imbalances) in case independent	
		aggregators interfere in their portfolios without the exist-	
		ence of a proper market model. FEBEG is therefore	
		happy that Elia together with Synergrid work on solutions	
		that mitigate those impacts.	

FEBEG	FEBEG appreciates Elia's efforts to include the Cor-
1	rected Model as an alternative within the ToE framework.
	FEBEG is convinced that this will lower the total societal
	cost of independent FSPs looking to activate flexibility in
	BRP-Suppliers' portfolio.
European Commodi-	With this document, European Commodities wants to re-
ties	ply to Elia's Public Consultation on the proposal for
	amendments to the ToE Rules.
	European Commodities (EC) acts as Balance Responsi-
	ble Party (BRP) for multiple electricity suppliers across
1	all regions in Belgium. In that capacity, EC is BRPsource
1	for several electricity suppliers and therefore highly im-
	pacted by the application of Transfer of Energy and the
	proposed changes to the Transfer of Energy (ToE)
	Rules.
1	In general, EC welcomes the changes that are brought
1	by Elia in the proposal and thanks Elia for the possibility
	to react to the proposed changes.
Centrica	Centrica welcomes the opportunity to provide feedback
1	on your consultation on the amended Transfer of Energy
1	rules (ToE Rules). We appreciate your efforts to facilitate
	market access and unlock additional flexibility. As a spe-
	cialised trading company with a substantial portfolio of
	optimised assets, we have strong views on the following
	areas:
	- We support a swift rollout of the Corrected
	Model, with the Central Settlement Model
	as a valuable fallback solution.
	- We believe that performing a perimeter
1	correction for the Pass-Through regime

	would simplify the settlement between all
	market parties.
	- In the absence of a perimeter correction for
	the Pass-Through regime, we reiterate the
	importance of adjusting the ToE Rules to
	ensure that suppliers are held accountable
	for updating their delivery point lists in a
	timely manner.
	- We request increased data transparency.
	- We request clarification on the risks asso-
	ciated with the Corrected Model and rec-
	ommend streamlining the grid user
	onboarding process.
	- We ask to remove rules creating market
	access barriers.
	- We ask to amend rules to ensure future-
	proofness and preserve freedom of choice
	for grid users.
	We recognise the complexity of these developments and
	trust that Elia will thoroughly assess our suggestions and
	consider the diverse perspectives across the industry.
	We look forward to continuing the dialogue and remain
	available to answer any questions or provide further in-
	formation as needed.
Bnewable	[English below] Bnewable is een Belgische energieon-
	derneming gespecialiseerd in behind-the-meter (BTM)
	energiebeheer. Wij investeren in, ontwikkelen en exploi-
	teren batterijopslagsystemen, voornamelijk geinstalleerd
	achter de meter bij middelspannings netgebruikers.

Onze missie is om de energieregisseur te zijn van deze sites, met optimaal energiebeheer en het valoriseren van flexibiliteit via Voltana, ons eigen platform.

Als operator van deze assets en aggregator van flexibiliteit hanteren we de volgende kernprincipes:

- Vrije leverancierskeuze: Onze klanten behouden volledige autonomie over hun energiecontracten voor niet-flexibele afname en injectie.
- Eenvoud en transparantie: Onze oplossingen zijn zo ontwikkeld dat ze eenvoudig en begrijpelijk blijven voor de klant.

Het kunnen aansturen, inzetten en valoriseren van achter-de-meter flexibiliteit in alle energiemarkten (wholesale en systeemdiensten) is essentieel voor onze werking

Bnewable is blij te zien dat er initiatieven genomen worden om flexibiliteit verder te ontsluiten voor FSP's. Zeker de opening van ToE voor aFRR en de introductie van het CM-model op transmissie- en lokaal transmissienet is een zeer positieve stap.

[EN translation by Elia]: Bnewable is a Belgian energy company specialized in behind-the-meter (BTM) energy management. We invest in, develop and run battery storage systems, primarily installed behind the meter at mid-voltage grid users. Our mission is to be the energy director of these sites, with optimized energy management, and valorization of flexibility via Voltana, our own platform. As operators of these assets and aggregator of flexibility, we work by the following core principles:

- Free choice of supplier: our clients retain
full autonomy over their energy contracts
for non-flexibile offtake and injection
- Simplicity and transparency: our solutions
are developed in such a way that they are
simple and understandable for the end-cli-
ent.
Being able to steer, use and valorize behind-the-meter
flexibility in all energy markets (wholesale and system
services) is essential to our way of working.
Bnewable is happy to see initiatives are taken to unlock
flexibility for FSPs. Especially the opening of ToE for
aFRR and the introduction of the CM-model on the trans-
mission and local transmission grid is a very positive
step.

4.2 Comments on the timing of the ToE implementation

SUBJECT	STAKEHOLDER	FEEDBACK RECEIVED	ELIA'S VIEW
Proposed go-live	Febeliec	Regarding the proposed go-lives, and as already indi-	Elia takes note that several market parties indicate they feel the go-live dates as in-
dates		cated during previous consultations, Febeliec wants to	cluded in the ToE Rules lack ambition, via the use of the marker 'TBD', or by not
		insist on a greater sense of urgency from grid operators	providing a date as to when the Corrected Model might be extended to the public distri-
		regarding the implementation of any measures that can	bution grid.
		help unlock the flexibility in all grids. Febeliec wants to	Regarding this, Elia would like to respond the following:
		point out that grid operators continuously refer to in-	
		creasing challenges, yet do not seem to speed up suffi-	
		ciently the implementation of solutions that could help	

	mitigate these challenges and avoid ever-increasing in-	-	Elia is committed to opening the ToE framework across voltage levels
	vestments (through the so-called CAPEX-bias), which		and products, in order to unlock flexibility, an ambition that is progressed
	continues to negatively impact consumers invoices and		via this proposition for amendments to the ToE Rules.
	threatens industrial competitiveness. Febeliec finds a	-	It should be noted, however, that the Synergrid ToE Game Plan, which is
	timeframe where half of the implementation deadlines		translated here into the ToE Rules, is not the prerogative of Elia alone.
	are "TBD" unsatisfactory, taking into account that all		The Game Plan is a result of close collaboration with Synergrid and its
	known timeframes are already extended till end of 2026,		members, and takes into account various concerns and limitations, such
	meaning (based also on other communications and con-		as the required changes in IT systems on Elia side, the DSO side and
	sultations) an expectation that a roll-out of most ToE so-		shared applications such as the Flexhub; an increase in data volumes re-
	lutions on low and medium voltage would extend beyond		lated to MV and LV grid users; as well as other concerns particular to the
	2026, without any guaranteed that these would be tack-		CM, such as end-consumer protection and the VAT technicalities. Elia
	led shortly after. In light of the billions to be invested in		proposes to share this feedback with Synergrid and its members, and to
	grids, any solution which could increase flexibility and		continuously evaluate if and how the ToE framework can evolve.
	lower investment needs should be prioritized, which	-	As mentioned in the Synergrid information sessions and Elia's Working
	does not seem to be the case. Febeliec strongly urges		Group Energy Solutions, Elia is working with Synergrid an assessment of
	all relevant regulators to ensure a higher prioritization		the technical constraints of extending the Corrected Model to the medium
	and a faster implementation of these.		and/or low voltage distribution grid.
Centrica	While we appreciate the clarity offered by the proposed	-	Elia takes note of the feedback regarding ToE DA/ID, which is treated in
	implementation plan, we urge setting more ambitious tar-		more detail further in this report.
	get dates for:	-	Elia takes note of the request to work on Supply Split with priority. While
	- The Corrected Model in aFRR and mFRR		this is not in scope the amendments to the ToE Rules, discussions on
	at DSO HV, MV, and LV levels.		Supply Split are ongoing within Synergrid. Elia will share this feedback
	- The Corrected Model in day-ahead and in-		with Synergrid and the members.
	traday across all TSO and DSO levels.		
	- The Central Settlement Model in day-		
	ahead and intraday markets at the DSO LV		
	level.		
	The introduction of four ToE models across three voltage		
	levels and four markets represents a major step toward		
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		enhancing market access and unlocking additional flexi-	
		bility. However, implementing these models will require	
		considerable effort. We expect that market participants	
		will primarily use options that are available across all lev-	
		els to minimize complexity. As such, the extent to which	
		a particular model is adopted should not be seen as an	
		indicator of its perceived value or preference.	
	Bnewable	[EN translation below] Zoals opgenomen in de tabel "In-	
		werkingtreding per marktsituatie" is het echter be-	
		treurenswaardig dat deze CM niet wordt doorgetrokken	
		naar het distributienet. Het ontbreken van een concrete	
		go-live datum duidt op een gebrek aan ambitie om deze	
		stap te zetten, wat wij ten zeerste betreuren. Bnewable	
		vraagt de netbeheerders met prioriteit werk te maken	
		van deze uitbreiding. Dit geldt eveneens voor de Supply	
		Split, die toelaat flexibiliteit of flexibele assets verder te	
		ontsluiten richting de markt voor FSP's	
		[EN translation by Elia] as included in the table 'go-live	
		per market situation', it's regrettable that this CM is not	
		extended to the public distribution grid. The lack of a con-	
		crete go-live date signals a lack of ambition to make this	
		step, which we strongly regret. Bnewable asks the grid	
		operators to work on this extension with priority. This is	
		also the case for Supply Split, which allows to further un-	
		lock flexibility or flexible assets for FSPs.	
VAT	FEBEG	Regarding VAT, we agree with Elia that VAT-related is-	Elia thanks FEBEG for the comment. A clear direction on VAT invoicing for CM for Grid
		sues must be resolved prior to go-live. This is indeed im-	Users connected to the Elia Grid will indeed be shared before the go-live of the model.
		portant, also for FEBEG.	An in-depth session on the treatment of VAT for Suppliers and FSPs is foreseen in one
			of the next Working Groups Balancing Design & Solutions (previously Working Group
			Energy Solutions).
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4.3 Comments on the ToE models

SUBJECT	STAKEHOLDER	FEEDBACK RECEIVED	ELIA'S VIEW
Corrected Model	Febeliec	Febeliec is strongly in favor of the inclusion of the Cor-	Elia takes note of the feedback regarding the market parties' welcoming of the Corrected
		rected Model, and ask to extend it to all voltage levels,	Model.
		including distribution grids, and this as soon as possible	
		to ensure unlocking all flexibility required to face the in-	Elia takes note of the market parties' request to further introduce the Corrected Model
		creasing grid challenges. Febeliec also strongly supports	on the public distribution grid. As outlined in the previous section, Elia is in close collab-
		the extension of all ToE solutions to the distribution grid,	oration with Synergrid and its members to evaluate this.
		as well as the extension of ToE to aFRR.	
	FEBEG	FEBEG is very pleased to see that Elia is working to im-	
		plement the "Corrected Model" (CM) approach for Trans-	
		fer of Energy (ToE) which improves and simplifies the	
		existing model for ToE. We have consistently advocated	
		for the CM as the most pragmatic and cost-effective op-	
		tion. FEBEG thus welcomes Elia's efforts to introduce	
		the Corrected Model (CM) as an alternative ToE regime.	
		It shares similarities with the pass-through regime, parti-	
		cularly since the settlement occurs directly between the	
		supplier and the grid user—an existing and familiar pro-	
		cess for both parties —thus avoiding additional comple-	
		xity. We support the implementation of a system that lo-	
		wers costs and burdens, especially for a market party	
		that does not have any benefits from ToE (BRP/Supp-	
		lier). The CM should become the standard approach, ap-	
		plicable to all types of delivery points, across all voltage	
		levels, and for all products covered by ToE.	

	European Commodi-	We especially welcome the inclusion of the Corrected	
	ties	Model for ToE, which we believe will greatly improve	
		transparency and the availability of operational data in	
		the energy market, while still providing strong (and even	
		enhanced) protection to grid users. We urge the system	
		operators to extend the Corrected Model to all grids and	
		voltage levels.	
	Centrica	We support a swift rollout of the Corrected Model, with	
		the Central Settlement Model as a valuable fallback so-	
		lution.	
		We advocate for a swift rollout of the Corrected Model for	
		both TSO- and DSO-connected assets across all voltage	
		levels and markets. We view the Central Settlement	
		Model as a valuable fallback option. The Corrected	
		Model removes the need for supplier-FSP agreements,	
		significantly reduces administrative complexity, and sim-	
		plifies participation for smaller grid users. Most im-	
		portantly, it promotes fairer market access for a broader	
		range of participants, including residential users.	
One single model	FEBEG	In order to lower the costs and burdens for all market	Elia understands that FEBEG prefers there would only be one ToE model, and that this
		parties involved and thus to lower the total cost for soci-	model would be the Corrected Model. However, Elia believes that today it's not possible
		ety, FEBEG prefers one single ToE solution (less com-	to eliminate the CSM:
		plexity and overhead costs). The Corrected Model that is	- There are Grid Users that opt for the CSM today, due the aspect of confi-
		now being introduced by ELIA is superior from different	dentiality, by being able to not disclose information about their supply con-
		perspectives (risks, financial, operational and adminis-	tract to their FSP, and by being able to not reveal their participation in ex-
		trative burden, scalability,) and supported by all market	plicit flexibility to their Supplier. Eliminating the CSM might lead to losing
		parties. We therefore ask that all involved stakeholders	the flexibility these Grid Users offer.
		work together towards that single ToE solution with spe-	
		cific attention also to baselining for determining activated	

		volumes and visibility on grid user activations through notifications. Looking ahead, we ask for a phase-out of the current (central settlement) regime, to lower the overall complexity in the market. Indeed, we believe the number of regimes should be streamlined and simplified, to include only the CM, pass-through, and opt-out (as long as it remains in use by market participants). This simplification is essential to reduce operational complexity and associated costs. This being said, we also ask for some improvements in the CM and also for aFRR visi-	Today, a choice is made for the CSM as the default model and will be the only model (aside from Opt-Out and Pass-Through), available on LV and MV. As it is not clear if and when the CM would be rolled out on the distribution grid, it cannot be considered a possibility to eliminate the CSM at this time. Adaptations to the CM and notifications for aFRR activations are treated further below in this report.
	FEBEG	bility on activations through notifications. According to FEBEG, when an FSP opts for the CM approach, this choice should apply to all delivery points associated with a given BRP/supplier. This will result in less operational complexity of ToE (and thus less costs and risks). We ask Elia to make the necessary changes to encourage the use of the Corrected Model which is the only sustainable, enduring solution.	While Elia understands that this would be a simplification, it does not seem beneficial at this time. Opting for the Corrected Model is a choice made by the individual Grid User, and can therefore not apply to all Delivery Points associated with a given BRP/Supplier. This would mean that other Grid Users would be forced out of their CSM or Opt-Out, which is unacceptable at this time.
No default model	Centrica	Additionally, we suggest that the Central Settlement Model should not be set as the default. Instead, a dedicated field should be added to the Grid User Declaration, allowing customers to explicitly indicate their preferred ToE regime – whether Central Settlement Model, Corrected Model, Pass-Through, or Opt-Out. This approach would better reflect the principle of user choice.	Elia takes note of the suggestion made by Centrica. However, Elia believes there are risks associated for the Grid User with the Corrected Model, and insists that the FSP has a responsibility to inform the GU of these risks. By requiring the GU to explicitly deviate from the CSM in favour of the CM, Elia believes the consumer will be made aware of said risks (detailed further below in this report) and is consequently better protected.
ToE DA/ID	FEBEG	While FEBEG is very pleased that solutions are being developed to neutralize the impact of ToE on suppliers,	Elia takes note of the remark that the baseline 'High X of Y' might not be suitable for ToE DA/ID. Within this scope of the revision of the ToE rules, no revision to the ToE DA/ID

some key inaccuracies must be addressed. One issue that we see for the DA – Intraday ToE is that the "High X of Y" baseline is not a suitable method for calculating corrected volumes. It introduces volume inaccuracies that translate into unjustified financial risks for suppliers—risks they cannot identify nor mitigate. Mainly in the form of imbalance exposures. It is the responsibility of the system operator to design rules that do not unfairly disadvantage any party. FEBEG believes that the "High X of Y" baseline might be acceptable for customers with highly predictable consumption profiles, provided this is substantiated with concrete evidence on a case-by-case basis. However, this approach is inappropriate for BESS, renewables, generation units, and the vast majority of customers.

As scheduling obligations are expected to expand to more delivery points, the schedule should become the standard baseline. The SO should strive for fast implementation of voluntary schedules.

For delivery points without scheduling obligations, multiple options should be made possible and some options should be excluded for specific use cases. Some examples for baselines could be:

For upward activation the following correction method: Min [High X of Y; Previous QH].

Baseline = 0 for standalone BESS

In any case, the SO should ensure and follow up that the baseline is representative. In addition, an anonymized yearly reporting on the accuracy of the baseline use should be made available to the suppliers. product was considered, as the focus was on opening ToE for aFRR and extending ToE for mFRR and aFRR to the public distribution grid.

ToE DA/ID had a lower priority, due to the product not being used to this day. This in turn is due to the fact that at the time of development, BESS was not as commonplace today, and as such the product was developed without this in mind.

That being said, Elia does understand that the baseline might not be suitable for ToE DA/ID, especially now that use is being considered by market parties, mostly for BESS. Elia will investigate if and how the ToE DA/ID product can be improved, among others by evaluating other baseline methodologies, as well as evaluating the possibility to allow FSPs to offer both mFRR/aFRR and ToE DA/ID in the same quarter-hour. This will be done after submission of these revised ToE Rules to the regulator. Elia aims to perform this study on ToE DA/ID in the coming year. If the study reveals ways to improve ToE DA/ID, Elia will amend these ToE Rules and the FSP DA/ID contract, with the aim to start a consultation on these potential changes by the Summer of '26.

Elia thanks the market parties for their suggestions regarding potential ways to improve the baseline, and will take these suggestions into account in its study on ToE DA/ID.

Finally, market parties can be assured that if baselines are updated, and ToE DA/ID would consequently be more commonly used by market parties, Elia will monitor the effects and appropriateness of those baselines and communicate relevant insights to WG BD&S (previously WG ES).

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В	newable	[EN translation below] Voor de toepassing van DA/ID	
		wordt momenteel een High X out of Y* baseline ge-	
		bruikt. Echter, bij sommige flexibele assets (bijvoor-	
		beeld batterijen) vinden activaties plaats gedurende	
		meerdere uren op vrijwel alle dagen, waardoor in alle	
		referentieperiodes in het verleden bestaande activaties	
		voorkomen. De huidige regeling voorziet de mogelijk-	
		heid om representatieve dagen uit te sluiten onder	
		voorwaarde b.i "een activatie van een Balancer-	
		ingsdienst of van een Flexibiliteitsdienst DA/ID waaraan	
		het Leveringspunt heeft deelgenomen". In dit geval	
		wordt het bepalen van een correcte baseline admin-	
		istratief moeilijk tot in vele gevallen zelfs onmogelijk	
		door het ontbreken van referentie dagen.	
		Bnewable stelt daarom voor om ook voor DA/ID te	
		werken met een declaratieve baseline, zoals reeds	
		toegepast bij aFRR.	
		Indien de implementatie hiervan bijkomende technische	
		ontwikkelingen vereist voor het communiceren van de	
		baseline, kan gewerkt worden met een vaste	
		declaratieve baseline (bijvoorbeeld bij batterijen).	
		[EN translation by Elia] For the application of DA/ID,	
		currently a baseline of 'high X of Y' is used. However,	
		for some flexible assets (such as batteries) activations	
		take place during multiple hours on virtually all days,	

and as a consequence in all reference periods there will be activations. The current set-up foresees the possibility to excluded representative days under condition of 'an activation of a balancing service or of a flexibility

		service DA/ID during which the Delivery Point partici-	
		pated'. In this case the determination of a correct base-	
		line become administratively impossible and in many	
		cases even impossible due to a lack of reference days.	
		Bnewable therefore proposes to work for DA/ID with a	
		declarative baseline, as applied for aFRR. If the implan-	
		tation of this would require additional technical develop-	
		ments for the communication of the baseline, we could	
		work with a fixed declarative baseline (e.g. for batter-	
		ies).	
CSM - CREG-de-	FEBEG	Very importantly, we also ask (CREG and Elia, together	Elia takes note of the remark made by FEBEG, and will communicate this feedback to
fined price for-		with the stakeholders) to review the Fall-Back formula	CREG. However, it is not in the competence of Elia to make changes to the regulated
mula		of the CREG for the clients that, in the short term, will	price formula, which is therefore out of scope of this public consultation.
		still be active in the current 'CSM' regime. The scope of	
		the ToE changes, so the formula needs to change as	
		well. This is particularly relevant for DSO-connected cli-	
		ents, since the formula is completely out of line with the	
		energy contracts (focus too much on the long term for-	
		ward markets, we propose an approach that is closer to	
		EPEX prices) for this group of clients, but also urgent	
		for TSO-clients. This formula change should ideally	
		take place before extending the ToE to other voltage	
		levels. Also, different formulas depending on voltage	
		level and direction (injection/offtake) might be needed	
		and reviewed on a regularly basis (as scope evolves).	
		This being said, a general price formula - based on	
		complete market - is never reflecting the position of a	
		specific supplier, and therefore impact on the supplier	
		will remain: another good and fair reason to go for the	

		Corrected Model (with compensation on individual sup-	
		ply price) as single ToE solution.	
		Meanwhile, since it will take time to implement the CM	
		and phase out the CSM, the Central Settlement Model	
		(CSM) should also be improved (especially since it will	
		be expanded to the DSO-level). For this we ask that the	
		fall back formula of the CREG (which we try to avoid) is	
		adapted and improved to be more realistic, based on	
		EPEX markets instead of long term markets (in case	
		that FEBEG members and FSPs would, unfortunately,	
		not be able to find an agreement).	
ToE for aFRR	FEBEG	Although FEBEG members have enabled the participa-	Elia takes note of the feedback from FEBEG.
		tion of many delivery points through opt-out agree-	
		ments, extending ToE to aFRR is a logical step, given	The notion of CM as a single ToE model is treated earlier in this report.
		its existing application in mFRR. FEBEG members en-	
		courage Elia to further work towards a single ToE solu-	
		tion for all voltage levels i.e. the Corrected Model.	
ToE for aFRR	ABOUSCO	[EN translation below] Extension du cadre ToE à	Elia thanks ABOUSCO for their response and questions for clarification. Elia hopes the
and introduction		l'aFRR et introduction du modèle Corrected Model (CM)	following offers an adequate response:
of CM		Je salue l'intention d'étendre les possibilités du ToE	- Eligibility criteria for CM: There is a need to clarify 'eligibility', as it can apply
		aux produits d'équilibrage tels que l'aFRR et d'intro-	to a number of different aspects. A Grid User can participate to mFRR,
		duire le modèle CM comme alternative au modèle CSM	aFRR or ToE DA/ID, for which there are eligibility criteria for each of these
		existant. Cependant, il serait utile de clarifier ad-	products, related to the Delivery Point and type of asset they use to partic-
		vantage:	ipate to flexibility, as well as requirements related to the role of FSP. Eligi-
		 Les critères d'éligibilité précis pour l'appli- 	bility criteria specific to each of these products can be found in the T&Cs
		cation du modèle CM ;	BSP aFRR and mFRR, as well as the FSP contract DA/ID, found on the
		- L'impact concret attendu pour les acteurs	Elia website. The CM and CSM are alternative ways that enable participa-
		connectés au réseau public de distribu-	tion to those flexibility products, and have no formal eligibility criteria as
		tion;	such. There are responsibilities for Grid Users defined within the ToE rules,
			to which the Grid Users that wishes to participate does need to comply.

		- Les implications techniques et administra-	- At this time, there is no concrete impact specifically for Grid Users con-
		tives pour les petits consommateurs ou	nected to the public distribution grid related to the roll-out of CM, as this
		producteurs souhaitant participer au ToE	model is not being opened to MV and LV in the scope of this revision. There
		sous le modèle CM.	is, however, an introduction of CSM for aFRR within this revision. As
		[EN translation by Elia] Extension of the ToE framework	consequence, Grid Users connected to the public distribution grid can par
		to aFRR and introduction of the Corrected Model (CM):	ticipate, as of approval of the ToE rules, to aFRR via CSM. All impacts of
		I welcome the intention to extend the possibilities of	the Grid User can be found in the Synergrid ToE design note mentione
		ToE to balancing products such as aFRR and the intro-	earlier in this document.
		duction of the CM as alternative to the existing CSM.	- Assuming that 'small consumers/petits consommateurs' or 'produc
		However, it would be useful to clarify:	ers/producteurs' means consumers or grid users with small production fa
		- The eligibility criteria for the application of	cilities connected to the public distribution grid, there will be no impact re
		the CM	lated to the CM, as it is not available today for those grid users.
		- The concrete expected impact for actors	Finally, Elia wishes to reiterate that it is open to further discussing questions, request
		connected to the public distribution grid	for clarifications or concerns with all market parties.
		- The technical and administrative implica-	
		tions for small consumers or producers	
		who wish to participate to ToE under the	
		CM model.	
Pass-Through	Centrica	We believe that performing a perimeter correction for	Elia takes note of the remark that Centrica would prefer there be a perimeter correction
		the Pass-Through regime would simplify the settlement	for the Pass-Through regime. After further discussion with Centrica, it seems there is
		between all market parties.	need to further clarify which perimeter correction is to be considered:
		Articles 7.4 and 14.2 of the consulted ToE Rules fore-	A perimeter correction for deviations by the Grid User in function of the imba
		sees no correction of the BRPsource / BRPBSP perim-	ance price
		eter for the Pass-Through regime.	- The Pass-Through regime is designed specifically for a Grid User to dev
		As expressed in previous consultations, we believe that	ate from their intended consumption, and valorize their flexibility at the in
		applying a perimeter correction for imbalance exposed	balance price. A perimeter correction would undo this effect, and is there
		grid users would streamline settlements between all	fore considered to be opposed to the intended use of the Pass-Throug
		market parties. This approach would harmonise the	regime.
		treatment of imbalance and non-imbalance exposed	- Elia understands after further discussion with Centrica that this was no
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their request.

grid users, and address the recurring issue of suppliers

		not maintaining up-to-date lists of imbalance-exposed	2. Maintaining imbalances when the Grid User deviates, but with a perimeter cor-
		delivery points (see section below). Implementing this	rection in context of activations of aFRR/mFRR (the actual request of Centrica):
		change would require only minor amendments to the	- In this case, a Grid User would still be exposed to imbalances when they
		DSO rules (e.g., C8/05 Article 3), adjustments to the	deviate from their intended consumption/injection, which allows them to
		combinability of FRR with day-ahead and intraday activ-	valorize their flexibility via the imbalance price.
		ities (cf. section below), and a revision of the day-	- The perimeter would be corrected in case there is an activation of
		ahead/intraday ToE baseline methodology – shifting	aFRR/mFRR. Elia understands that this would help Centrica or FSPs in
		from a High-X-of-Y approach to a declared baseline.	general, by simplifying the situation where now these imbalances are set-
			tled between the FSP and the Grid User.
			- However, in case a perimeter correction would be performed, this model
			would essentially come down to a type of ToE model that does have a
			perimeter correction for FRR, but without (agreement on the) Supplier com-
			pensation. Since for Elia the Supplier compensation and perimeter correc-
			tion are linked within ToE, this does not seem beneficial, and might create
			possibilities for gaming. Consider as an example a Pass-Through where
			the BRPsource and Supplier are different parties. If the BRPsource would
			have their perimeter corrected, the FSP could activate flexibility within the
			portfolio of the Supplier without having to compensate this Supplier.
			- While Elia can understand that this is a simplification, Elia would prefer to
			investigate this further, discuss it with different market parties impacted by
			this type of change, and, if ultimately considered beneficial, put this up for
			public consultation. Making this change now would constitute a significant
			change which is not consulted, therefore not allowing market parties that
			would be impacted to react to those changes.
			The comments on the Supplier updating the list of delivery points and the ToE DA/ID
			baseline are treated elsewhere in this report.
Corrected Model	Bnewable	[EN translation below] Bnewable begrijpt niet dat er in	Elia does not agree with the remarks made by Bnewable. Bnewable mentions that the
- consumer risk		het kader van Bijlage 2 over risico's wordt gesproken.	term 'risk' is misleading since the grid user will be invoiced for their consumed energy
		Het gebruik van deze term is misleidend, aangezien het	and flexibility. However, the message is more nuanced. Effectively, in the CM, the Grid
		in essentie gaat om het informeren van de netgebruiker	User is invoiced for the energy they would have consumed had there been no activation,
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	dat hij gefactureerd zal worden voor zijn effectief ge-	i.e. their assumed baseline energy consumption, and not for the energy they did con-
	bruikte energie en de geactiveerde flexibiliteit. Dit in-	sume. The Grid User will need to compare this baseline energy invoiced by their Sup-
	duceert geen enkel risico voor de eindgebruiker.	plier, which might be higher than what they actually consumed. Then, the Grid User
	Daarnaast is Bijlage 2 zeer complex opgesteld voor een	needs to make sure that the remuneration they receive from their FSP is sufficiently high
	eindgebruiker die de markt niet kent, en dient deze ve-	to at least cover this, in addition to a fair remuneration for their flexibility. This places a
	reenvoudigd te worden.	burden on the Grid User, that is otherwise (in CSM) carried by the FSP. Bnewable men-
	[EN translation by Elia] Bnewable does not understand	tions Grid Users that might not be familiar with the energy market, but this Appendix
	why in context of Appendix 2 there is a mention of risks.	serves precisely to ensure that the FSP makes the Grid User aware of the functioning of
	The use of this term is misleading, since in essence the	this mechanism before signing on to a flexibility services leveraging the CM.
	point is to inform the Grid User that they will be invoiced	Elia acknowledges that the appendix might be complex, but is convinced that it has its
	for their effectively used energy and activated flexibility.	place, and that it should be digestible for Grid Users connected to the Elia Grid.
	This induces not a single risk for the end consumer.	
	Aside from this, appendix 2 was drafted in a very com-	
	plex way for an end consumer who is not familiar with	
	the market, and should be simplified.	
Centrica	We request clarification on the risks associated with the	Elia takes note of the comment made by Centrica:
	Corrected Model and recommend streamlining the grid	- Regarding Annex 2: Elia is aware that having a separate Grid User decla-
	user onboarding process.	ration and Annex 2 of these ToE Rules to be signed by the Grid User leads
	According to Article 6.1, selecting the Corrected Model	to a certain increase in administrative burden. Elia will investigate how this
	requires the grid user to sign a separate mandate (An-	could be simplified without diminishing the importance of both documents.
	nex 2). We suggest integrating this mandate into the	- Regarding the risks related to the Corrected Model, Elia sees the risks as
	existing Grid User Declaration of the reserve program to	twofold:
	avoid additional administrative burden and simplify the	 Financial risk, as outlined in the response just above. The burden falls
	onboarding process.	on the Grid User to ensure their remuneration covers both the energy
	Furthermore, the same article requires FSPs to inform	for which they will be invoiced by their supplier (but did not use), and
	grid users opting for the Corrected Model about the as-	fair remuneration for their flexibility
	sociated risks and financial consequences. We would	o Granular data sharing: Data on the level of an individual Delivery Point
	appreciate it if Elia could clarify the specific nature of	is shared with the Supplier to facilitate settlement. This is important for
	those risks and potential financial consequences for	Grid Users to be aware of, as they are relinquishing confidentiality re-
		lated to their flexibility potential to their Supplier.

		grid users, and whether these risks differ depending on	- Note that these risks are also described in the ToE design note mentioned
		the market segment or voltage level.	earlier.
			- Elia considers that these risks would be the same for LV and MV consum-
			ers (for which CM is not available today), but would be exacerbated by the
			fact that these Grid Users are typically less energy market-savvy than Grid
			Users connected to the Elia Grid. This is an important consideration in the
			analysis as to whether CM would be extended to the public distribution grid.
Extension of ToE	ABOUSCO	[EN translation below] Extension du ToE au réseau	First of all, Elia wishes to acknowledge that indeed, this implementation has impacts on
to the distribu-		public de distribution	all parties involved in the energy market, requiring changes to the ways of working and
tion grid		L'extension du ToE à ce réseau représente une évolu-	IT systems of the Distribution Grid Operators, the Suppliers, the FSPs, the Grid Users
		tion importante. Il serait pertinent de préciser :	and Elia itself.
		 Les modalités concrètes de mise en 	However, the ToE Rules do not serve as the document to specify those impacts or detail
		œuvre pour les gestionnaires de réseau	the changes to the systems required. It serves as the definition of the rules that the dif-
		de distribution (GRD) et les utilisateurs	ferent market parties must abide by to use any of the ToE models or regimes available.
		finaux ;	To answer the question in more detail:
		 La compatibilité du cadre proposé avec 	- Concerning the impact on the DSOs: Elia has been in close collaboration
		les obligations existantes des GRD vis-à-	with Synergrid (representing the Belgian Grid Operators) and its members,
		vis des petits producteurs décentralisés.	in drafting the ToE design note, taking into account the impacts of the par-
		[EN translation by Elia] Extension of ToE to the public	ties involved. These amendments of the ToE Rules take into account the
		distribution grid	various constraints.
		The extension of ToE to this grid represents an im-	- Concerning the impact on the Grid Users: Elia hopes these amendments
		portant evolution. It is important to clarify:	to the ToE Rules represent additional opportunities for Grid Users to offer
		- The concrete modalities for this implemen-	flexibility. While there is a certain complexity to the ToE Rules, Elia hopes
		tation for the DSOs and the end consum-	it offers possibilities to participate. In case there would be specific con-
		ers;	straints or ways of improvements that the Grid Users would identify, Elia
		The compatibility of the proposed frame-	would be very happy to receive any feedback you might have.
		work with the existing obligations imposed	- Concerning the existing obligations imposed by the DGOs on small decen-
		by the distribution grid operators towards	tralized producers. While this is broadly defined, Elia appreciates that the
		the small decentralized producers.	

different rulesets might be complex, and attention is required to the inter-
action between them. Note that Elia and the DGOs understand this, and
are working on this.

4.4 Comments on the text

SUBJECT	STAKEHOLDER	FEEDBACK RECEIVED	ELIA'S VIEW
Entry into force	Febeliec	In title 5, Elia refers to the entry into force of the ToE rules	Elia thanks Febeliec for pointing out this oversight. The mentioning of this date was spe-
		at the earliest on April 1st 2021. Febeliec wonders to	cific to the initial introduction of ToE DA/ID, and is therefore now removed.
		what extent this is an error in the modifications, as this	
		date is already several years in the past and thus all rules	
		should be applicable.	
Order of alloca-	Febeliec	In 12.4, Febeliec reads that the order of allocation of	The order was determined as such since the aFRR volumes require the most/ most com-
tion of ToE vol-		compensation volumes is mFRR, DA/ID and then	plex calculations, and this way all other volumes are filtered out first. In any case, regard-
umes		aFRR, where Febeliec wonders why this order is used	less of the order there should be no undue advantage to offering one product compared
		as aFRR is often considered the balancing service with	to another.
		the highest value. Febeliec wonders whether this ap-	
		proach is chosen to ensure that all volumes are duly	
		delivered, in order to avoid free-riding on the residual	
		balancing of Elia for all subsequent services (after	
		aFRR if it would be allocated first), in which case Febe-	
		liec could be in favor. For Febeliec it is essential that	
		services that are contracted and paid for by consumers	
		are also correctly delivered.	
aFRR notifica-	FEBEG	FEBEG regrets that for aFFR no notifications are fore-	Elia takes note of the remark made by FEBEG. It's important to point out that the notifi-
tions		seen to inform the BRP. Notifications are foreseen for	cations related to aFRR activations are not particular to ToE, but rather to the aFRR
		activations in mFRR and DA/ID and should also be	product itself, and can't be considered for adaptation within the scope of this revision of
		foreseen in case of an aFRR activation. The BRP is re-	the ToE rules.
		sponsible to maintain the balance within his portfolio, so	

		the BRP needs to be properly informed (also to avoid	
		counterbalancing) when a third party intervenes in its	
		portfolio. Therefore, the system operator should foresee	
		a solution to inform the BRP as they would otherwise	
		undermine the role of the BRP. FEBEG could accept -	
		seeing complexity - a work around/proxy, for example	
		the aFRR band and period scheduled on the supplier's	
		portfolio. FEBEG cannot accept that no notification is	
		sent.	
Multiple FSP un-	FEBEG	Managing multiple FSPs under a single access point	Elia understands that the notion of multiple FSPs behind an Access Point leads to com-
der an Access		appears highly complex. Concrete use cases and set-	plex calculations of volume attributions. Elia has added an additional example in the ToE
Point		tlement examples would greatly aid understanding. Fur-	rules (Appendix 3) to further clarify. After analysis, however, Elia has not found an easier
		thermore, we are deeply concerned about complex use-	way to allocate the volumes (aside from ruling out multiple FSPs, which is not desirable).
		cases that would be rolled out and result in misalign-	Furthermore, Elia thanks Centrica for the supplied example.
		ments, risks of misinterpretations, high follow-up costs,	
		etc. We prefer that basic solutions and options are	
		tested first before going into more complex combina-	
		tions.	
	Centrica	Regarding Article 12.2 and the example provided in An-	
		nex 1, we suggest following clarifications	
		[example provided by Centrica found in their public re-	
		sponse, and not reiterated here for readability]	
Supplier respon-	Centrica	In the absence of a perimeter correction for the Pass-	Elia understands that Centrica requests that Suppliers be held accountable to keep the
sibility for DP list	Centilica	Through regime, we reiterate the importance of adjust-	list with DPs under Pass-Through up to date, and that in the current set-up there might
Sibility for DF list		ing the ToE Rules to ensure that suppliers are held ac-	be a late reaction from Suppliers in renewing information about these DPs.
		countable for updating their delivery point lists in a	Centrica proposes a number of ways to address this, to which Elia would like to respond:
		timely manner.	- A perimeter correction for the Pass-Through regime. As indicated earlier in this
		Suppliers must provide Elia with a list of imbalance-ex-	report, this would be a change to the Pass-Through regime that Elia would want
		posed delivery points. However, the current ToE rules	to investigate further, and in any case not introduce without public consultation.

fail to address the consequences of non-compliance, a concern we have raised on multiple occasions. This gap introduces significant operational and financial risks for BSPs, and creates competitive distortions:

- When contracts are tacitly renewed near their end date, suppliers often fail to update delivery point lists, resulting in unintended removal of sites from BSP pools.
- The current framework does not incentivise suppliers to maintain accurate lists in a timely manner. Instead, it places the burden of penalties on BSPs.
- Suppliers can also block or delay the signing of the document confirming a grid user's imbalance exposure. In some cases, they may attempt to convince the grid user to contract with them directly, undermining third-party BSP arrangements.

We believe these issues must be addressed to ensure a fair and efficient market environment. As highlighted in the previous section, we suggest performing a perimeter correction for imbalance-exposed grid users. This would effectively resolve the issues related to supplier non-compliance and ensure a more robust settlement process.

If this option is not retained, we propose targeted adjustments to the ToE rules to ensure suppliers are held accountable for maintaining accurate delivery point lists:

- Within article 6.2 and 6.3, remove the need for an end-date to Pass-Through contracts, which removes the need for Suppliers to renew the relevant information in a timely manner, when the contract is renewed. Elia can agree to removing this obligation for an end-date to a Pass-Through contract, but will still allow it as an option. Consequently, Grid Users and Suppliers can agree on an end-date, but also have the option to create a contract without an end-date. This way, a situation would be avoided where either party might not want to sign an open-ended contract, blocking the possibility.
- Elia is not convinced an amendment to art. 14.2 is necessary, as it describes the procedure in case either the supplier or the grid user would not provide the declaration that a certain DP is in Pass-Through. After all, this is an agreement between a Grid User and the Supplier. While Elia understands that there is an administrative overhead in case the Supplier submits the contract late, a penalty scheme seems excessive, and the Supplier needs to retain the possibility to not agree with a contract renewal. In any case, by removing the need to specify an end-date, Elia hopes the issue related to tacit renewals will already be addressed.

		- ToE Rules, Art. 6.2 and 6.3: Elia should	
		no longer require suppliers and grid users	
		to specify an end date for contracts. In-	
		stead, changes should be triggered either	
		by the initiation of a new contract from an-	
		other supplier or by the current supplier	
		raising modifications.	
		- ToE Rules, Art. 14.2: The penalty regime	
		should be revised to incentivise suppliers	
		to keep their lists of imbalance-exposed	
		clients up to date. BSPs should not be pe-	
		nalised for supplier non-compliance. Spe-	
		cifically, delivery points should remain in	
		the BSP's pool when the supplier is re-	
		sponsible for communicating contractual	
		updates.	
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Combinability	Centrica	We ask to remove rules creating market access barri-	Elia confirms the interpretation that the provision indeed excludes that a DP participates
DA/ID and FRR		ers. We ask Elia to reconsider and remove rules that	in both ToE DA/ID on the one hand, and aFRR or mFRR on the other during the same
		create unnecessary barriers to market access. Specifi-	quarter-hour.
		cally, Article 14.4 of the ToE Rules prohibits participa-	
		tion in day-ahead and intraday markets during the same	Elia understands that this might be a barrier and will investigate if this provision can be
		quarter-hour as an FRR activation. We are concerned	removed or amended within the aforementioned study on ToE DA/ID, to be conducted
		that this restriction limits the ability to optimise assets	in the coming year.
		across different market timeframes and hinders efficient	
		market participation.	
		We kindly ask Elia to confirm our interpretation of this	
		provision. If confirmed, we urge the removal of this re-	
		striction to enable more flexible and efficient asset opti-	
		misation across all relevant markets.	

Elia | Consultation report - Proposal for amendments to the ToE Rules in context of the Synergrid ToE Game Plan Bnewable [EN translation below] Bnewable begrijpt niet waarom er penaliteiten bestaan voor de gelijktijdige deelname van een leveringspunt aan een activatie van DA/ID en aan een mFRR- of aFRR-energiebieding. Het moet perfect mogelijk zijn om met een asset deel te nemen aan aFRR en bijkomend vermogen te leveren via DA/ID. Bnewable vraagt hiervoor een oplossing te voorzien. Voor het bepalen van geleverde volumes kunnen eenvoudig volgende regels toegepast worden: Het geleverde DA/ID-volume te bepalen als het verschil tussen de aFRR- en DA/ID-baseline. Het geleverde aFRR-volume wordt dan beschouwd als de delta tussen meting en

[EN translation by Elia] Bnewable does not understand why there are penalties for a simultaneous participation of a Delivery Point to an activation of DA/ID and an mFRR or aFRR energy bid. It should be perfectly possible to participate with an asset to aFRR and deliver additional power via DA/ID. Bnewable asks to foresee a solution. For determination of the delivered volumes simple rules could be applied:

gedeclareerde baseline.

- The delivered DA/ID determined as the difference between the aFRR- and DA/ID baseline
- The delivered aFRR baseline is then considered as the delta between the measurement and the declared baseline

ToE for DPs	SU	Centrica	We ask to amend rules to ensure future-proofness and	Elia understands and confirms that in time this will need to change, to ensure DPsu can
			preserve freedom of choice for grid users.	participate in explicit flexibility via either ToE or Opt-Out. However, these changes are
			Regarding Article 4, the current scope appears to be	foreseen at a later point in time (ICAROS phase II). Elia will amend and publicly consult
			limited to DPPG delivery points, excluding DPSU. We	these ToE Rules in due time to ensure it does not block the related go-live when the T&C
			suggest removing this limitation so that, once the BRP	BRP (BRP contract) is updated.
			contract is amended to no longer require the BRP,	
			BSP, and SA to be the same entity, the amended BRP	
			Contract can be applied automatically – without neces-	
			sitating further changes to the ToE rules.	
Legibility	ToE	ABOUSCO	[EN translation below] Simplicité et lisibilité des règles	Elia understands there is a certain complexity to the two models being available in par-
Rules			L'effort de simplification des références croisées avec	allel. However, the impact for new or small actors should be limited:
			les T&C BSP et BRP est bienvenu. Toutefois, une at-	- Small actors connected to the public distribution grid only have access to
			tention particulière devrait être portée à :	the CSM; as such the second model does not exist for them.
				- Next, it seems that an actor connected to the Elia Grid would also only
			La clarté des règles pour les nouveaux entrants ou ac-	consider one model, even if they have multiple Delivery Points. They would
			teurs de petite taille, qui pourraient se heurter à une	need to make a choice of model which best serves their need, but once
			complexité accrue liée à la coexistence des modèles	chosen the complexity of other models available would not necessarily con-
			CSM et CM.	stitute a complication.
			[EN translation by Elia] Simplicity and legibility of the	
			rules. The effort to simplify references to the T&C BSP	
			and BRP is welcome. However, a particular attention	
			needs to be given to:	
			- The clarity of the rules for new entrants or	
			small actors which might be hindered by	
			the complexity related to the coexistence	
			of the CSM and CM	

4.5 Data sharing

SUBJECT	STAKEHOLDER	FEEDBACK RECEIVED	ELIA'S VIEW
Data availability	FEBEG	Where both the FSP and BRP/supplier are in agree-	Elia thanks FEBEG for the feedback. At this point in time, data access via API is not yet
& forecasting		ment, it would be highly beneficial for Elia to provide ac-	foreseen. Elia will take into account the request to foresee this data via API for future
		tivated volumes per quarter-hour and per product at the	changes to the Flexhub.
		delivery point level. Under current opt-out agreements,	
		BRPs/suppliers must rely solely on FSP-provided data.	
		FEBEG members are therefore pleased that additional	
		data is foreseen for the opt-out regime in the updated	
		ToE rules. Having this information validated and shared	
		by the system operator will significantly enhance collab-	
		oration. FEBEG members would welcome access to	
		this data via an API. Overall, FEBEG members ask for	
		more information and transparency regarding the use of	
		ToE, activated volumes, etc. This could also be benefi-	
		cial for the consumer to have more insights.	
	FEBEG	Finally, suppliers must be able to rely on recent meter-	Elia understands the need for suppliers and BRPs to be able to forecast energy con-
		ing data to accurately source the energy expected to be	sumption data, and be able to adjust forecasts for energy activated via FRR. There are,
		off-taken by grid users. Therefore, it is crucial that cor-	however, a number of processing and validation steps to be taken before data can be
		rected metering data be made available no later than	made available to the relevant parties. Currently, this is foreseen at M + 2 after deliv-
		two days after the delivery day (D+2).	ery. Elia assures FEBEG that the system operators will further investigate ways to
			shorten this delay.
Settlement	European Commodi-	We are however negatively impacted by the restricted	Elia understands the concerns of European Commodities, however:
	ties	availability of data on the ToE process and volumes re-	Data sharing towards the BRPsource is not foreseen outside of ToE. Within ToE, the
		lated to the BRPsource.	BRPsource gets indeed the data related to their perimeter correction. Outside of ToE,
		As BRPsource, EC needs information on the volumes	such as in Opt-Out it is considered that since the BRPsource (and the other parties)
		that are exchanged with its partner-suppliers to be able	opts out of perimeter correction, the related data is not pertinent to them. Elia does un-
		to:	derstand, however, that his data might be relevant to simplify or improve settlement
			processes between BRPsource and suppliers as described in the example provided by

- Forecast the volumes EC needs to procure on the Day-Ahead Market to limit imbalances regarding the injection and offtake volumes in the portfolios of the partner-suppliers
- Settle the exchanged volumes and imbalances with the partner-suppliers

We refer to the feedback that EC provided to the Synergrid Consultation on the ToE Design Note in February 2025, as this remains pertinent today.

We however want to detail this feedback further, because the currently proposed changes to the ToE Rules don't foresee in proper information provision to the BRPsource to execute our tasks with the desired precision.

The ability of the BRPsource to forecast the offtake of its suppliers' clients is improved in the Corrected Model, due to the availability of corrected metering data. The timely availability of that data is however quite important. Several improvements are therefore suggested:

- As BRPsource, EC receives the metering data via its partner-suppliers. It would facilitate operational processes and timelines if EC would directly receive this data from the system operators (from the CMS or the Flexhub)
 - N.B. This comment also applies to the (non-corrected) metering data already exchanged today via the CMS

European Commodities; but Elia can not agree to sharing this additional with the BRPsource at this time. This is due to two reasons:

- Sharing this data with the BRPsource introduces a risk that a BRPsource might receive data on an individual DP level, which is not the goal in Opt-Out. As an example, consider the situation where a certain BRPsource and a Supplier only have one DP in common between them. If data is shared with the BRPsource on a supplier level, it would be possible for the BRPsource to identify this single DP.
- 2. This is consequently a larger issue than simply sharing data. Elia prefers to investigate further and discuss with the regulator, before making the changes. If said investigation would lead to a conclusion that this data might be shared, Elia would prefer to publicly consult on such a change before introducing it in the ToE Rules. Elia believes the change is too significant to introduce now, without consultation.

As indicated previously in this report, Elia understands the need for BRPs to have timely access to this data. Further improvements to shorten this delay will be investigated.

- and is not specific to ToE. With regards to ToE however, market processes would be improved by providing more information directly to the BRPsource.
- We note that in chapter 15 of the proposed ToE Rules, information provision to the suppliers is foreseen by the end of the 2nd month following the month during which the activation of flexibility occurred. This delay is too long to be practically useful for short term forecasting. As long as activated volumes in our BRP portfolio are low, the impact is expected to be low, but we ask the system operators to consider providing the corrected metering data (or at least the delta) as close as possible to the non-corrected metering data.

To settle the exchanged volumes and imbalances with our partner-suppliers, EC needs a complete view on the suppliers' portfolios. If Elia applies perimeter corrections with respect to Transfer of Energy, EC therefore needs to know to which suppliers these corrections apply. This information is not available to EC today, and the proposed changes to the ToE Rules don't improve that. It is especially important to receive these volumes in case a supplier works with several BRPsource partners. In that case, the information currently exchanged with

the market is not sufficient to properly work out and settle the positions between the BRPsource and the supplier, which can lead to adverse financial impacts. We provide an example: 1. Assume EC works with three suppliers (A, B and C) and two of them work (A and C) with multiple BRPsource partners. (Note that this is not an exotic example, but one that occurs in practice.) 2. As BRPsource, EC sees a perimeter correction of -30 MWh, which is communicated to EC by Elia. 3. The suppliers receive the following information on the ToE volumes (via the Flexhub): Supplier A: -5 MWh (potentially split over several FSP, but that is not relevant in the example) Supplier B: -20 MWh (same comment) Supplier C: -30 MWh (same comment) 4. Since Supplier B only works with EC, it can communicate to EC that a perimeter correction of -20 MWh was done by Elia with respect to its client portfolio.

 But because Supplier A and C work with multiple BRPsource, and don't receive any information on the BRPsource a ToE volume relates to, they can't communicate to

- EC the volumes of the perimeter corrections that were done with respect to their client portfolio.
- EC can't work this out either, as it doesn't receive information per supplier, and is therefore not able to correctly settle and invoice Suppliers A and C.

This can be remedied by providing information to the BRPsource about the split of the perimeter correction per supplier. In this respect, we refer to the public consultation from Synergrid about the changes to the Flexibility Documents with respect to Transfer of Energy1. In the proposed changes to document C8/05, the following is foreseen:

- BRPsource will receive aggregated ToE volumes per supplier and FSP.
- Supplier will receive aggregated ToE volumes per BRPsource and FSP.

This is inconsistent with the changes Elia proposes and would solve the issue highlighted above. We therefore urge Elia to align its proposal to the proposal published by Synergrid.

In case there would be restrictions on the data the system operators can publish, we propose the following:

 As a minimum, suppliers should receive the aggregated ToE volume per BRPsource it works with, so it can communicate these to its BRPsource partners (in this respect, the split per FSP isn't relevant).

		- However, as BRPsource we would prefer	
		to receive such official data directly from	
		the system operators, so we don't have to	
		rely on the suppliers with respect to the	
		timing and validation or the required oper-	
		ational data. As BRPsource we have no	
		need for the volumes per FSP but do need	
		to be able to identify the perimeter correc-	
		tions with respect to ToE per supplier.	
		The Transfer of Energy mechanism was created to miti-	
		gate any impact of flexibility activations by independent	
		FSPs. EC strongly urges the system operators to in-	
		clude the above proposal in the ToE Rules, as in our	
		opinion the data exchanges as foreseen in the (current	
		and proposed) ToE don't allow us to mitigate the impact	
		of flexibility activations in all circumstances and market	
		setups.	
Data sharing in	Centrica	We request increased data transparency.	Elia understands that Opt-Out agreements are commonplace, and has included this
Opt-Out		We welcome the provisions in Article 15.3.1, which en-	data-sharing to support market parties in finding suitable Opt-Out agreements.
		sure that Elia will make aggregated data available to	
		both the supplier and the FSP in the case of Opt-Out.	However, a more detailed data-sharing than is currently foreseen is not possible at this
		This is a positive step toward upholding data confidenti-	time, as the granularity of data requested by Centrica would involve providing data on a
		ality.	Delivery Point-level. This would entail a risk of sharing metering data from Grid Users
		However, as an FSP, we believe we are entitled to ac-	who may not want their data shared on an individual level.
		cess to more granular settlement data per delivery	
		point, particularly regarding imbalance corrections and	
		ToE volumes. Such access is essential to facilitate ac-	
		curate reconciliation processes.	

		We therefore request that Article 15 be amended to in-	
		clude the following data provisions for FSPs:	
		- A breakdown of imbalance corrections,	
		per quarter-hour, per program, and per	
		delivery point.	
		- A breakdown of volumes attributed to	
		each supplier, per delivery point, as deter-	
		mined by the grid operator.	
		- Detailed insights into the calculation meth-	
		odology and volume determination pro-	
		cesses.	
		- Access to granular delivery point data, in-	
		cluding EAN numbers, volumes per deliv-	
		ery point, direction of activation, baseline	
		values, active power measurements, the	
		calculation method used in cases involv-	
		ing multiple BRPs, etc.	
		We remain available to provide a detailed mock-up of	
		the desired data publication format to support imple-	
		mentation.	
Data sharing in	Bnewable	[EN translation below] In het kader van CM dient de	At this time, Elia does not believe this would be a beneficial change to the CSM model,
CSM		eindafnemer toestemming te geven het geleverde flexi-	for the following reasons:
		biliteitsvolume voor zijn site mee te delen met de lever-	The CSM is specifically designed to allow Grid Users to not share their in-
		ancier. Bnewable vraagt om deze optie ook onder CSM	dividual data. If they wish to deviate from this, the CM is made available
		beschikbaar te maken, waarbij de keuze ligt bij de FSP	on the Elia Grid to do so.
		in samenspraak met de eindafnemer. Dit ten minste	- Additionally, it should not be up to the FSP to make this choice, as it is
		voor eindafnemers aangesloten op spanningen >1kV.	the Grid User that choses the model, based on the required confidential-
			ity.

Reden: In prijsovereenkomsten trachten zowel FSP als leverancier een prijsformule op te stellen die de voorwaarden voor elektriciteitslevering zo goed mogelijk benadert. Indien er een grote discrepantie ontstaat tussen beide, introduceert dit een aanzienlijk financieel risico voor zowel FSP als leverancier. Vaak zijn prijsformules daarom site specifiek en gebaseerd op individueel geleverd volume per site.

Wanneer deze data niet rechtstreeks wordt gedeeld, moet de FSP deze zelf aanleveren, wat een vertrouwens-issue/risico introduceert. Het zou voor alle partijen eenvoudiger en betrouwbaarder zijn indien de netbeheerder deze data rechtstreeks aanlevert. Gezien het een optionele keuze is, kunnen FSP en eindgebruiker zelf beslissen of confidentialiteit hier belangrijk is.

[EN translation by Elia] In context of CM, the Grid User needs to provide permission to share the delivered flexibility volume for their site with the Supplier. Bnewable asks to make this option available for CSM as well, where the choice is with the FSP in agreement with the Grid User. This at least for Grid Users connected to voltage levels >1kV.

Reason: in price agreements, both the FSP and the Supplier try to create a price formula that reflects the conditions for energy delivery as much as possible. If there is a large discrepancy between both, this introduces a considerable financial risk for both FSP and Supplier. Often the price formulas as site specific, and based on individually delivered volume per site.

When this data is not shared directly, the FSP needs to
deliver this themselves, which introduces an issue/risk
of trust. It would be simpler and more reliable for all par-
ties if the grid operator would provide this data directly
themselves. Given that it's an optional choice, the FSP
and Grid User can decide for themselves whether confi-
dentiality is important or not.

4.6 Remaining considerations

SUBJECT	STAKEHOLDER	FEEDBACK RECEIVED	ELIA'S VIEW
Multiple BRP	FEBEG	FEBEG also stresses the importance of progressing the	Elia confirms that it is working on formalizing the Multiple BRP process.
		multiple BRP roll-out at Elia level in parallel with the de-	
		velopment of additional ToE regimes. The overarching	
		objective is to enable flexibility to be valorised without	
		unfairly shifting costs and risks onto other market partic-	
		ipants. Synchronization of both topics is essential.	
		Finally, the development of a robust solution for multiple	
		BRPs at Elia level must proceed in a coordinated man-	
		ner to ensure that all flexibility can be brought to market	
		without imposing unjustified costs on BRPs and suppli-	
		ers.	
Economic im-	Abousco	[EN translation below] Impact économique potentiel	While Elia understands the question, there are a number of important considerations to
pact		Il pourrait être utile d'évaluer ou d'expliciter dans une	be taken into account vis-à-vis an economic impact assessment:
		note d'accompagnement l'impact économique attendu	- First of all, the ToE Rules are not the correct document to provide such
		pour les différents types d'acteurs du marché (GRD,	an assessment, as it is a description of the rules, rather than an economic
		fournisseurs, BRP, petits producteurs).	analysis.

		[EN translation by Elia] Potential economic impact. It	- Next, such an analysis is not easy to make. Economic benefits of flexibil-
		could be useful to evaluate or make explicit in an addi-	ity simply can not easily be linked to the roll-out of ToE models. After all,
		tional note what the expected economic impact is for	the ToE models serve to enable flexibility. However, participation to flexi-
		the different market parties (DSO, Suppliers, BRP,	bility via one model, does not give an indication as to whether a Grid User
		small producers)	would or would not have participated via another. Some of the models
			serve rather as an enabler for market parties to enter in negotiations,
			even if they don't end up selecting said model.
			- Finally, if the reader would like more info on the need for flexibility and the
			expected cost of unavailability of flexibility, Elia would like to refer them to
			the 2025 study of Adequacy and Flexibility for Belgium.
Coordination	Abousco	[EN translation below] Coordination avec la consultation	Elia, as well as Synergrid and the members, have tried to make this link as clear and
with Doc Re-		Synergrid	explicit as possible. First via the common written design ToE design note, of early
lease 3		Une meilleure articulation entre cette consultation et	2025, mentioned in the introduction of this report. This ToE design note contains an ex-
		celle menée en parallèle par Synergrid (Document Re-	planation of the models, and proposes a Game Plan or timeline for the roll-out. It in-
		lease 3) renforcerait la compréhension globale des	cluded a timeline of when these ToE Rules and the Doc Release 3 would be adapted,
		changements proposés, notamment en matière	consulted and submitted for regulatory approval.
		d'échange de données pratiques.	
		[EN translation by Elia] Coordination with the Synergrid	Both Doc Release 3 and the ToE Rules had an overlap in public consultation. Within
		consultation.	the explanatory note of the ToE Rules, a link was made and attention drawn to the Doc
		A better explanation of the link between this consulta-	Release 3 under consultation, especially the document C8/5 describing data exchange.
		tion and the one organized by Synergrid in parallel (Doc	
		Release 3) would reinforce the global understanding of	Finally, several mentions of the consultations were made in information sessions orga-
		the proposed changes, notably on the practicalities of	nized by Synergrid, as well as in Elia's Working Group Energy Solutions. Elia values
		the data exchange.	market party feedback, and hopes this draws the required attention to the documents.
			In case market parties would have remarks or suggestions on how to make this pro-
			cess more transparent or visible, Elia would be open to suggestions.

5. Next steps

Elia will make the necessary changes in its proposal for amendments to the ToE Rules, as outlined above, and will submit the ToE Rules for regulatory approval to the competent regulators for their decision.

The confidential answer will be discussed with the regulator as well.

6. Attachments

The non - confidential reactions Elia received to the document submitted for consultation:

- 1) Febeliec
- 2) FEBEG
- 3) European Commodities
- 4) Centrica
- 5) Bnewable
- 6) Abousco

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