

RESPONSE TO NOTE FOLLOWING THE CALL ON 3RD SEPTEMBER 2010 SEM INTRA DAY TRADING WORKING GROUP (WG_18_10)

This document captures Synergen response to the following two questions raised during the teleconference on 3rd September 2010.

Action: Participants to determine the earliest GC time that they can accommodate.

Action: Participants to consider which is more beneficial to them - a Production Schedule published after EA1 or no Production Schedule published after EA1 and an earlier Production Schedule published after EA2 (by virtue of an earlier gate closure).

Synergen is mindful of the view expressed on the recent conference call (3rd September 2010) where the robustness of the production schedule on the basis of EA1 was questioned as the subsequent bidding at EA2 would give rise to a production schedule that is materially different to that prepared based on EA1. Therefore Synergen considers that it would be preferable for there to be no production schedule after EA1 and then an earlier production schedule produced following EA2. Furthermore, Synergen concurs with the majority of participants with regard to the publication timing i.e. that the production schedule following EA2 should be published on later than 1600 on D-1. In relation to the scheduling of the first gate close, Synergen could accommodate an early gate closure and would prefer this to be no earlier than 0800 i.e. within the working day.

However, Synergen recognises that these requirements conflict based on the current timing estimates given by the SEMO (90 minutes for a market schedule and a further 4 hours for an operational schedule) in that having WD at 0800 means that the operation schedule would be published by 1700 as per the following possible timings:

- 0800 WD Gate closure*
- 0930 market schedule available for initial condition into EA1 market schedule*
- 0930 EA1 Gate closure*
- 1100 market schedule published following EA1*
- 1130 EA2 Gate closure (giving participants 30 minutes to assess EA1 data)*
- 1300 market schedule published following EA2*
- 1700 production schedule published following EA2*

Therefore Synergen proposes that, within the impact assessment process, the RAs / SEMO / TSOs assess the scope for saving 60 minutes with the activities set out above and including this information in the next update to the working group.