

# CLASS – ENWL LCNF Project

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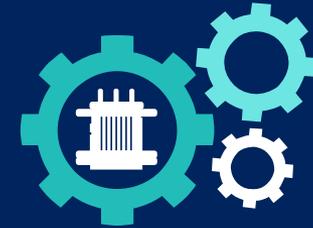
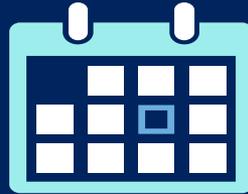
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# Agenda



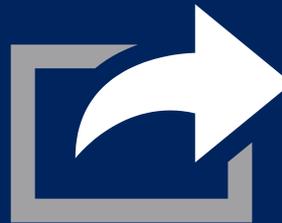
**CLASS**  
Customer Load Active System Services



Background to  
CLASS project

Project extension

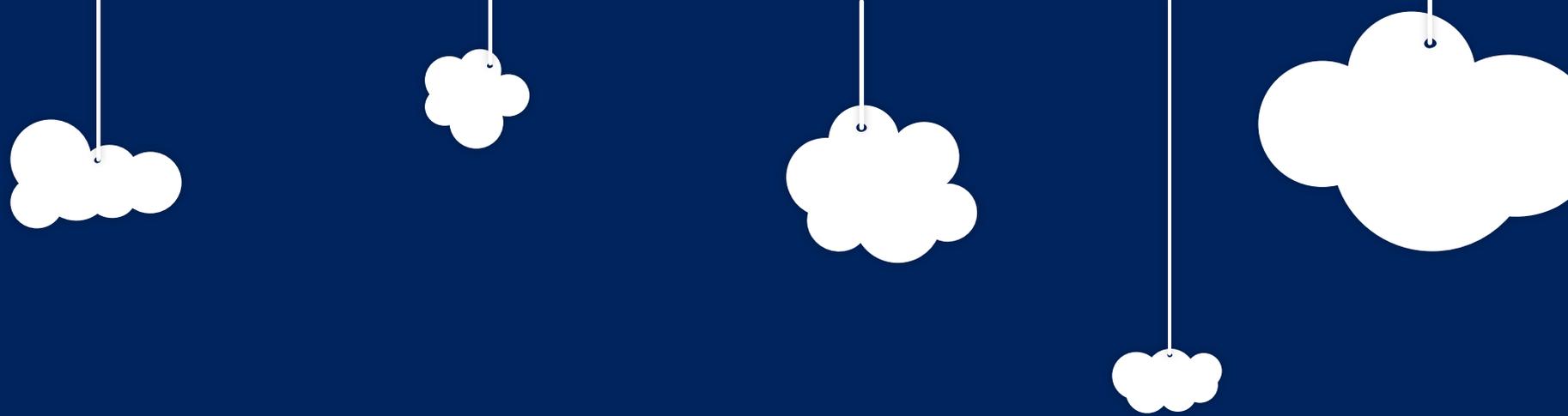
How CLASS works



Summary of  
CLASS services

Next steps

Q&A



# Background to CLASS Project





“

*Is seeking to demonstrate  
that electricity demand can  
be managed  
by controlling voltage...*

*...without any discernible  
impacts on customers*

”



Customer Load Active  
Systems Services

Back to school for a moment...



This fundamental relationship is  
at the heart of CLASS

But how will it change over time  
as customers  
adopt new devices?

How could we use this  
relationship in a smart  
way to benefit customers?

*voltage is proportional  
to demand*

*if voltage is increased  
demand increases*

*And vice versa . . . !*



# CLASS project overview



## Objectives



Reduction of  
peak demand



Frequency  
response and  
voltage  
support



Voltage  
and demand  
relationship



No effect on  
customers

## What?

Baseline measure: Spring 2014  
Monitoring waves: Summer 2014 to Spring 2015  
All **390 000** customers in test area received letter  
**696** customers recruited at **baseline**  
**1,357 monitoring** interviews



## Customer hypothesis

**“CLASS will be indiscernible to customers”**  
Customers will not see / observe / notice an impact on their supply quality when these innovative techniques are applied



# Background to CLASS Project (2)

CLASS trial results overview



**electricity**  
**north west**

Bringing energy to your door

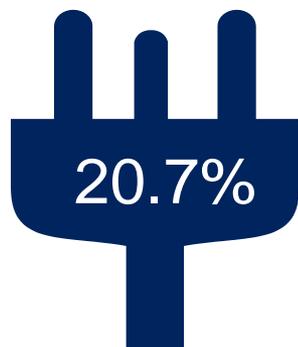
# Average voltage/demand relationship



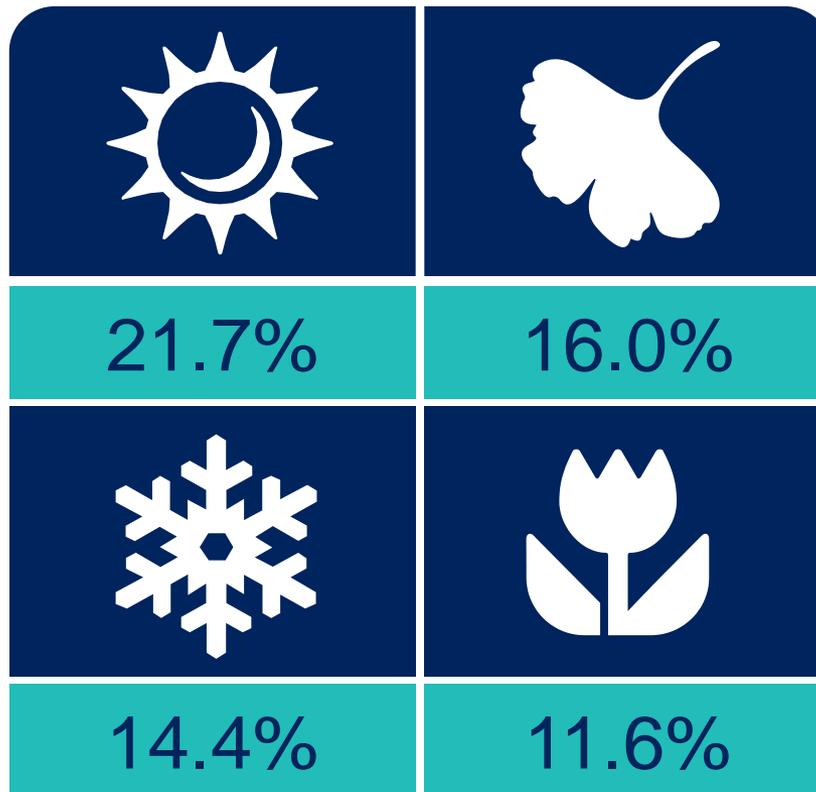
Four seasonal, average week day and weekend, voltage/demand relationship matrix for every half hour interval for three load types

Mainly domestic	Mainly industrial/commercial	Mixed
$V \sim P$ 1 ~1.36%	$V \sim P$ 1 ~1.1%	$V \sim P$ 1 ~1.1 / 1.2

# Changes to appliances or lighting



**Baseline**



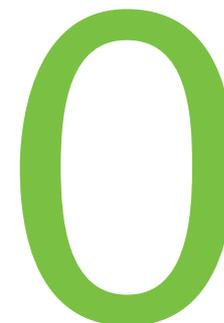
**All seasons**

Customers who said they noticed a change in performance to at least one appliance or to their lighting in the last seven days was **significantly lower than the baseline**

# No complaints about power quality

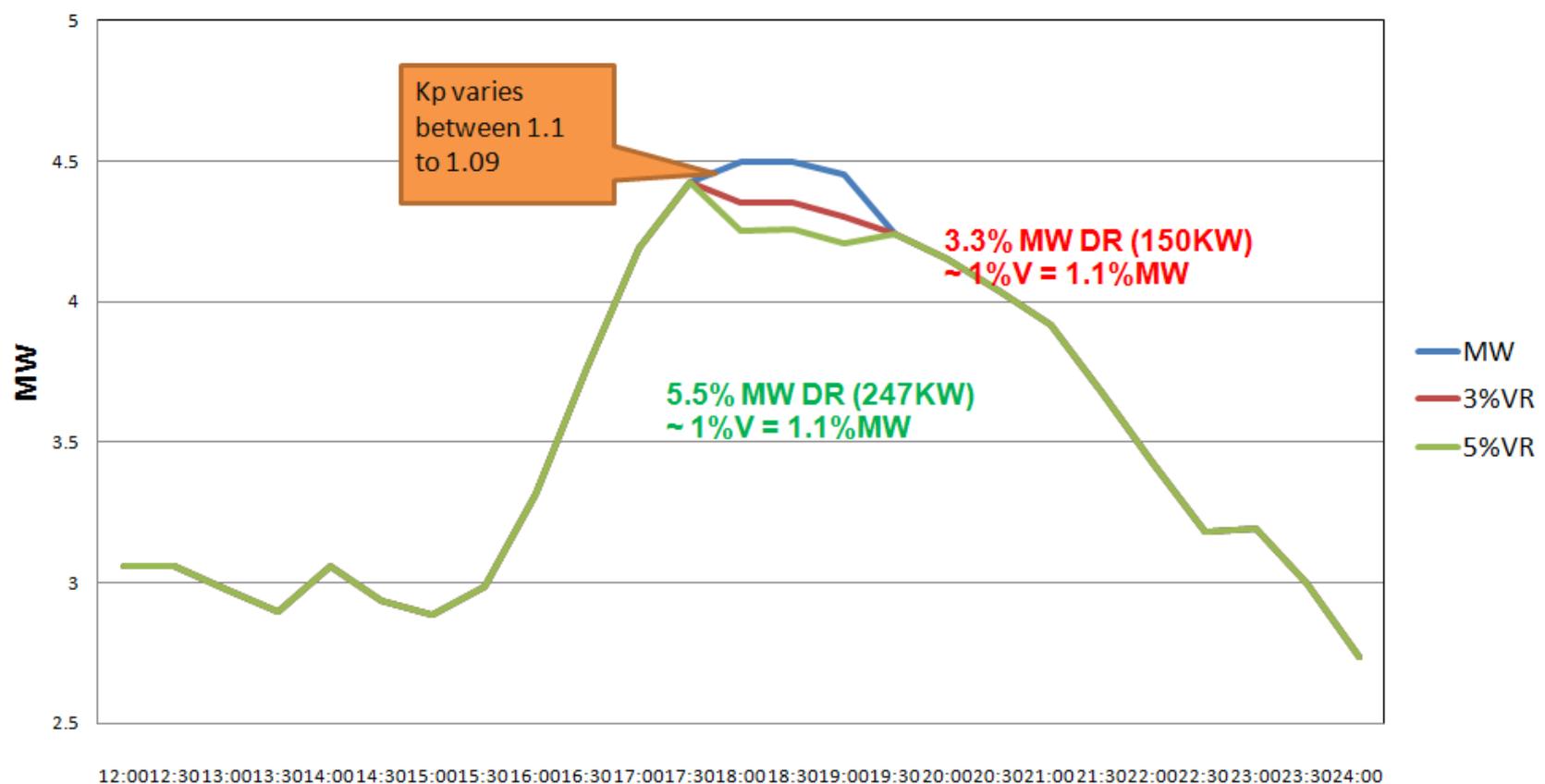


Complaints about power quality or service received at the customer contact centre or to Impact Research team likely to be caused by CLASS trials





## Demand reduction – Romiley winter mid-week



# Demand reduction (DR)



Great Britain 5% VR = 6%DR		Great Britain 6% VR = 7.2%DR	
			
Summer Minimum demand response = 1120MW	Winter maximum demand response = 3150MW	Summer Minimum demand response = 1340MW	Winter maximum demand response = 3780MW
£000,s / MW	CLASS ~ 20	Current ~ 150 pa	
	Storage ~1400	DSR ~ 20 pa	

# Reactive power absorption



## Great Britain



**Spring**

1430MVA<sub>r</sub> to  
1880MVA<sub>r</sub>



**Summer**

1520MVA<sub>r</sub> to  
1760MVA<sub>r</sub>



**Autumn**

1450MVA<sub>r</sub>  
to 1760MVA<sub>r</sub>



**Winter**

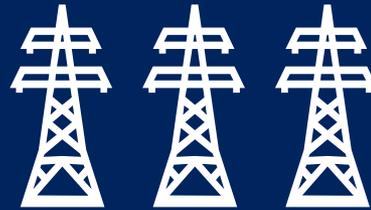
1530MVA<sub>r</sub>  
to 1940MVA<sub>r</sub>

Traditional 200MVA<sub>r</sub> ~ £3-5M in a fixed location to just resolve  
SO reactive issues versus £80M for all CLASS services

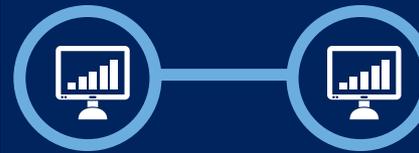
# CLASS Project Results Summary



Statistical findings are that domestic customers did not notice the CLASS functions



Lessons have been learned during the installation phase, that can be integrated into any future 'rollout'



CLASS has provided National Grid with the ability to use an ICCP link which provides them with a demand response during a system frequency event



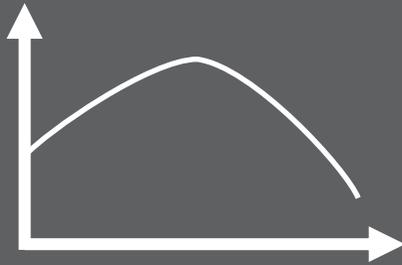
CLASS has shown a predictable relationship between voltage and demand

# Potential applications for CLASS



## Today

High peak demand



Reduces peak demand  
Faster LCT connections  
Lower network cost

## Tomorrow

Respond and reserve



Primary and secondary  
frequency response  
Allows more renewable  
generation  
Flexible reactive power  
absorption

## Future

Wind following



Facilitates demand  
boost lower energy  
costs  
Mitigates inertia issues

# CLASS extension objectives



To assess the market for each CLASS service

To assess the impact for each CLASS service

To determine the benefits for GB customers for each CLASS service

Market structure, entry qualifications and service price

Size of market in 2015 and potential size annually to 2025

Current and potential future competitors – no, type and size of players

Market structure and service price

Competitors – number, type and size of players

Costs and benefits for GB customers

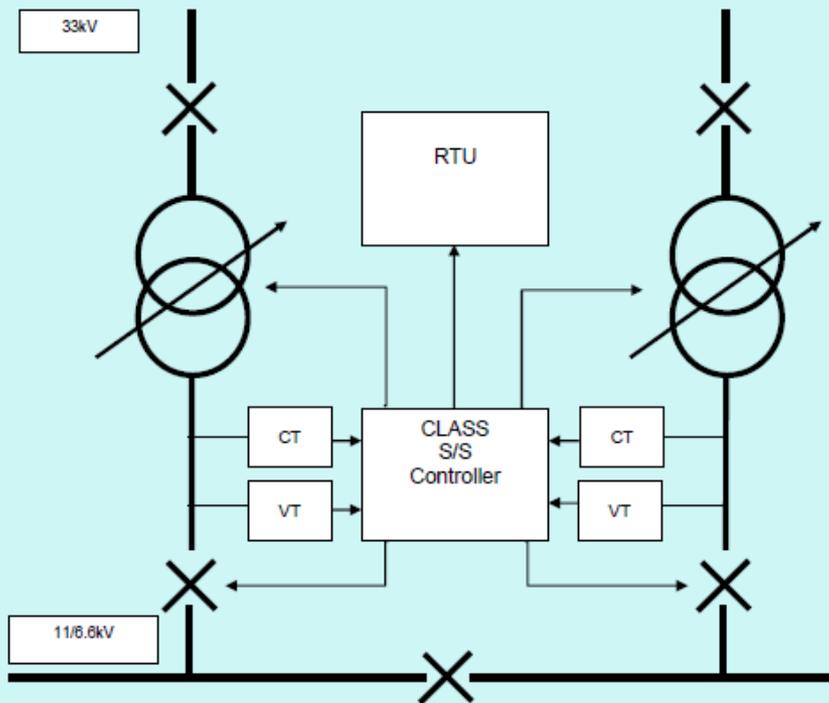
Potential winners and losers in each market

Whole market impact

# How CLASS works



## Standard arrangements at primary substations



### Primary Frequency Response

LV circuit breaker opens when frequency falls below a set threshold  
 S/S controller performs system checks before opening circuit breaker  
 Circuit breaker will normally be re-closed after 30s  
 CLASS S/S controller will measure performance

### Secondary Frequency Response

LV target voltage reduced when frequency falls below a set threshold  
 Tap changers operate to reduce voltage  
 Target voltage will reset to normal after 30 minutes.  
 CLASS S/S controller will measure performance

### Demand Response/ Fast Reserve

LV target voltage reduced when local demand reaches local capacity or to provide service to SO  
 Tap changers operate to reduce voltage  
 Target voltage will reset to normal when local demand reduces or SO service finished  
 CLASS S/S controller will measure performance

### Reactive Power Services

Tap stagger between the transformer pair to absorb reactive power  
 Effect to be measured at the GSP



# Summary of CLASS services (2)

## Response-type CLASS services



#	Name of CLASS service	Action	Effect	Time to effect onset	Effect duration	Measurement
1a	Primary Frequency Response (PFR)	Circuit breaker trip on falling frequency	Active power reduction	< 0.5s	Extended period. Reverse after 30s	Recorded at each substation with the results aggregated to show overall response. Response determined as difference between demand prior to and post response.
1b	Secondary Frequency Response (SFR)	Tap up on falling frequency	Active power reduction	20-30s (depends on tap changer)	Extended period. Reverse after 30 mins	



### Participation in existing services

Our initial thoughts are that these CLASS services could potentially participate in **Firm Frequency Response (FFR)**:

- Service 1a) seems suited to a **Primary Low service**
- Service 1b) seems suited to a **Secondary Low service**

# Summary of CLASS services (3)

## Reserve-type CLASS services



#	Name of CLASS service	Action	Effect	Time to effect onset	Effect duration	Measurement
2a	Demand reduction (System balancing)	Tap down on request	Active power reduction	20-120s	Extended period	Recorded at each substation with the results aggregated to show overall response.
2b	Demand boost (System balancing)	Tap up on request	Active power increase	20-120s	Extended period	Response determined as difference between demand prior to and post response.



### Participation in existing services

Our initial thoughts are that service 2a (Demand reduction) could be used in either **Fast Reserve** (especially given the short ramping time) or **STOR** – much as Demand Side providers are encouraged to do so today on the STOR runway programme.

# Summary of CLASS services (4)

## Voltage management-type CLASS services



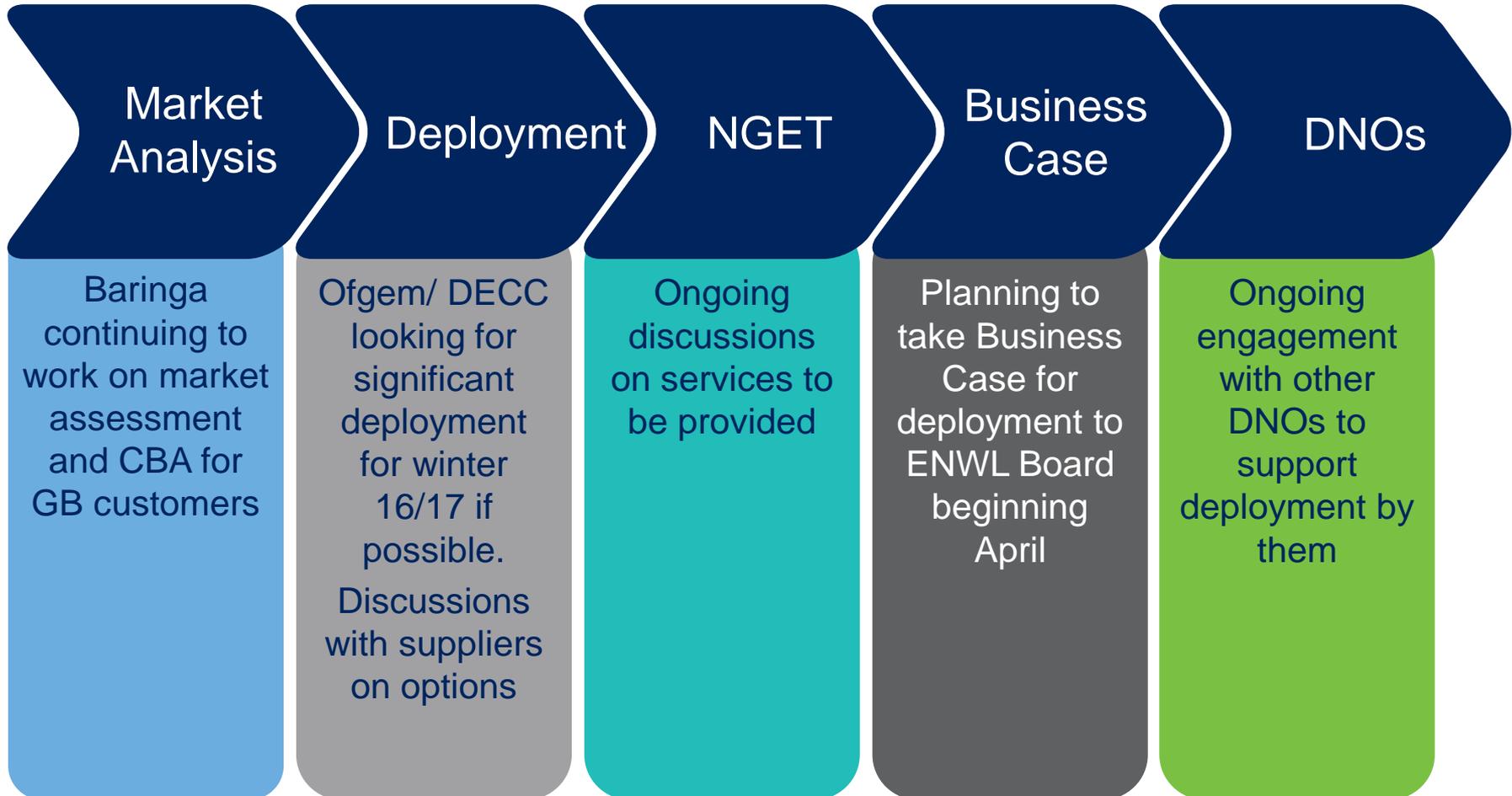
#	Name of CLASS service	Action	Effect	Time to effect onset	Effect duration	Measurement
3	Voltage management	Tap stagger on request	Reactive power absorption	20-120s	Extended period	Measurement needed at each GSP



### Participation in existing services

This CLASS service could be suited to National Grid's **Enhanced Reactive Power Service**, which can be provided by static compensation equipment.

# Next steps





QUESTIONS

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ANSWERS



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