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# Designation of multiple Balance
# Responsible Parties on an Access Point
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# Centrica Business Solutions (CBS) response to the consultation

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Centrica welcomes this consultation from Elia and the possibility to go towards easier implementation of multiple BRPs per Access Point cases. This will indeed ease the possibility to unlock the flexibility of some assets, for which currently available configurations either in terms of ToE and/or of metering are problematic or not applicable.

In that sense, Centrica however could not clearly understand from the consultation document what metering specifications would be required for which Balancing Delivery Point configurations, and therefore would welcome some clarifications from Elia.

Indeed, while Centrica fully supports the Requirement n°5 of the new design laid down by Elia stating that "*The proposed design must allow a high degree of flexibility in regards to allocation process and metering*", the document also mentions that "*As per requirements from the technical regulations, the Grid User behind a certain Access Point has the responsibility to ensure that meters used for the allocations respect the requirements of the applicable technical regulation, depending on which one of the latter is applicable for the connection point from which the BDP depends*".

Looking at the current requirements for products like aFRR or mFRR, at federal or regional level, Centrica recalls that metering requirements and in particular in case of submetering, are already often too restrictive and do constitute a minima additional costs if not a blocker to the management of some flexible assets.

Therefore, Centrica underlines the necessity for multiple BRPs behind an Access Point situation to alleviate this constraint and effectively allow for some more flexible and accessible metering solutions. Would it not be the case, then it would significantly reduce the interest of the proposed solution and the foreseen workable cases.