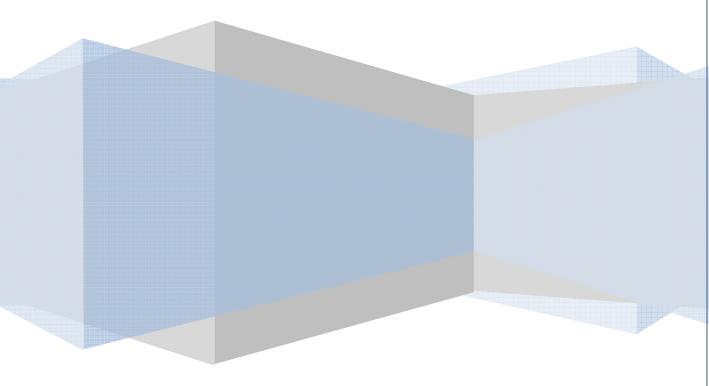
Energy Wholesale Market Review Week Ending 7th April 2017



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This week, most baseload power contracts and seasonal gas contracts experienced gains, along with oil, coal and carbon prices. However, near-term gas prices experienced mixed movements, and most peak power contracts moved lower. Contracts moved forward this week, including the seasonal and annual contracts. Most near-term baseload power contracts increased, despite lower power demand due to higher temperatures. The day-ahead power contract went up 3.7% to £42.0/MWh, owing to higher gas prices and increased European power prices. The new month-ahead contract (May) rose 0.2% to £41.3/MWh, while the majority of seasonal baseload power contracts also experienced gains. Most near-term peak power contracts decreased this week. Day-ahead peak power lost 0.6% to £41.5/MWh. On Friday, the contract dropped £0.5/MWh below its baseload counterpart, a situation that can occur when high levels of solar PV output are forecast. Near-term gas contracts experienced mixed movements this week. Day-ahead gas rose 1.1% week-on-week to 40.7p/th, amid an undersupplied system. Most seasonal gas contracts increased. Winter 17 gas climbed 0.8% to 47.3p/th. On average, Brent crude oil prices went up 5.1% to \$54.3/bl. Prices were supported amid optimism that OPEC and other crude oil producing nations will extend production cuts beyond June. On Friday, prices jumped to a new one-month high of \$55.6/bl, as a US airstrike on a Syrian government airbase increased geopolitical uncertainty in the Middle East.

Baseload Electricity

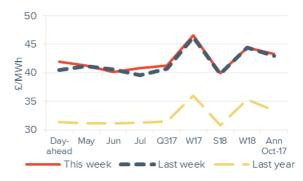
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Annual October Contract



- The new month-ahead contract (May) rose 0.2% to £41.3/MWh.
- The new annual contract, annual October 17 power, increased 0.6% to £43.3/MWh.

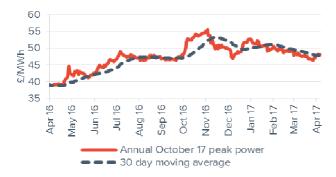
Forward Curve Comparison



Peak Electricity

- Most near-term peak power contracts decreased this week.
- Day-ahead peak power lost 0.6% to £41.5/MWh. On Friday, the contract dropped £0.5/MWh below its baseload counterpart, a situation that can occur when high levels of solar PV output are forecast.

Annual October Contract



- The only exception was the month-ahead contract, which remained at £44.4/MWh. The contract was £3.1/MWh above its baseload counterpart.
- Annual October 17 peak power increased 0.3% to £48.1/MWh. The contract was £4.8/MWh above its baseload counterpart.

Forward Curve Comparison





Seasonal Power Prices

Seasonal Baseload Power Contracts



Seasonal Baseload Power Curve



- The majority of seasonal baseload power contracts experienced gains this week.
- Winter 17 baseload power went up 0.9% to £46.6/MWh. Summer 18 baseload power climbed 0.4% to £39.9/MWh.
- Winter 17 peak power went up 0.9% to £52.6/MWh.
- Summer 18 peak power fell 0.5% to £43.6/MWh.

Supplier Hedging Strategies

During March, prices continued to fall across power and gas markets. Brent crude oil, API 2 coal and EU ETS carbon prices also decreased. The annual April 17 gas contract slipped 8.2% from February to average 43.6p/th. The annual April 17 baseload power contract decreased 5.3% to average £43.6/MWh. Brent crude oil prices declined 6.1% to average \$52.7/bl in March, the lowest monthly average in four months. API 2 coal prices fluctuated throughout the month, but on average went down 3.2% to \$64.9/t. EU ETS carbon prices varied between €4.7/t and €5.7/t, and on average slipped by 1.2% to €5.1/t.

During March, price changes to fixed domestic dual-fuel tariffs were fairly evenly balanced. Sixteen of the prices changes were increases, whereas seventeen of the price changes were decreases. The largest price decrease was Affect Energy's "Fixed Until March 2018 v2" tariff, which fell by 13.4% to £860.83. In contrast, the largest price increase was Breeze Energy's "North East 1" tariff, which rose by 17.1% to £1,068.76.

The one-year fixed price shown below (red line) provides a fixed hedging cost for one year from the month after the month in question, based on the forward curve. This measure is used to create a benchmark for fixed tariff offers put into the market by suppliers. The instantaneous price (green line) is representative of the hedging strategies of large suppliers, which typically purchase energy little and often to be consumed in a future period. Therefore, the instantaneous price shows a 'longer-hedged' strategy of buying power up to the current date, whereas the red line shows a 'shorter-hedged' strategy for a 12-month period looking forwards. Over the past two years it has been cheaper to use the shorter-hedged strategy as wholesale power prices have steadily declined. However, since July 2016 the longer-hedged strategy has been cheaper.

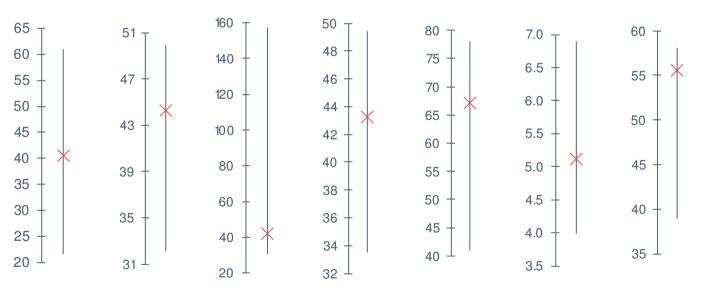




Wholesale price snapshot

		Gas (p/th)		Electricity (£/MWh)		Coal	Carbon	Brent crude
		Day-ahead	Year-ahead	Day-ahead	Year-ahead	(\$/t)	(€/t)	(\$/bl)
Last week	7 Apr 17	40.65	44.25	42.00	43.25	67.15	5.11	55.55
Two weeks ago	31 Mar 17	40.20	43.93	40.50	42.98	66.25	4.93	52.77
Four weeks ago	10 Mar 17	42.30	44.24	43.15	42.73	64.50	5.10	52.39
Last year	8 Apr 16	27.50	33.18	31.40	33.40	41.00	5.25	38.97
Year-on-year %change		47.8%	33.4%	33.8%	29.5%	63.8%	-2.7%	42.5%
Year high		61.00	49.91	157.73	49.45	78.00	6.89	58.04
Year low		21.50	32.11	30.28	33.53	41.00	3.98	38.97

This table shows the prices last week compared with prices from the previous week, month and year. The graphs show the position of last week's prices with a red X and the range of prices over the year is represented by the black line.





About EDW Technology Limited

EDW has an extensive history of developing, implementing and supporting its 'best of breed' retail electricity software solutions.

In 2000, EDW began building a revolutionary new electricity software platform to support the rigorous demands of the UK's deregulated electricity supply market – a market characterised by rapidly changing government regulation, business processes, market rules, industry dataflows and customer demands. EDW were founded as a provider of high quality, end-to-end IT services and we have remained true to that aim ever since, servicing a range of companies in the energy industry.

For over 16 years, our software product ERS has empowered business electricity suppliers to transform customer experience, improve business efficiency, reduce costs to serve and improve profitability.

EDW has a UK based team of 85 employees working from the EDW offices in Milton Keynes.

Industrial and commercial billing specialists

The industrial and commercial electricity supply market has unique business requirements that need to be serviced with a specialised set of IT system capabilities. Sophisticated business customers are willing to actively engage in the management of their energy accounts and solutions need to provide tools that support enhanced service interaction. EDW has gathered an extensive knowledge of the industrial and commercial market sector that enables the delivery of a powerful set of system capabilities essential to your requirements to service this complex and demanding market sector.

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