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ElectraLink launches the UK's Energy Market Data Hub

ElectraLink is transforming the way it delivers its products, services and solutions to the energy and utilities market with the launch of the UK's Energy Market Data Hub (EMDH). The EMDH is a brand-new innovation platform which provides the energy market with access to an extensive catalogue of products, services and solutions in one easily accessible location. It provides a platform for both existing and new energy market participants to develop their own products and services for the benefit of customers.

The EMDH's range of services comprise: Data Transfer Solutions, including the Data Transfer Service (DTS) and other solutions that support the flow of information across the utilities industry; Data Solutions, which are based on ElectraLink's access to energy market data, and address a wide range of data issues faced by energy companies; and Insight Solutions that offer the analysis and insight of market data required to support evolution and innovation in the energy market.

Since 2012, ElectraLink has been granted special permissions to access the data that is transferred across the DTS. This includes data on smart metering, switching, meter assets and renewable technologies. With appropriate governance in place, this means ElectraLink is in a unique position to monitor and identify trends in the energy market, providing a level of transparency and insight into the challenges and opportunities faced by the industry. It is through this unique and invaluable dataset that ElectraLink has been able to develop the wide spectrum of tools and services it can now offer on the EMDH.

ElectraLink's core role is to procure and manage collective services for the energy market. Following a competitive procurement process, the launch of the EMDH coincides with the signing of a new contract with an IT service vendor to re-platform the DTS. This re-platforming will allow us to leverage the benefits of the public cloud and adopt an agile approach to development. It will also allow ElectraLink to deploy the connectivity required for energy market participants to interact with the Central Switching Service (CSS).

ElectraLink CEO Stuart Lacey said: "ElectraLink has been at the forefront of providing data transparency since 2012 and the launch of the EMDH is an important milestone. The EMDH expands our service offering to both existing and new energy market participants as they grapple with the challenges of energy transformation. This transformation is happening now, and the data transparency provided by the EMDH will promote innovation and investment in the energy market for the benefit of consumers."

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About ElectraLink

ElectraLink is a central body regulated by Ofgem at the heart of the UK energy market. We are owned by the DNOs and are responsible for operating the Data Transfer Service that underpins the UK energy market and we ensure that this solution remains secure, low cost and facilitates vibrant competition. Our management of the DTS provides us with unique access to a wealth of energy market data which allows us, with the permission of the users of the DTS, to support industry to develop solutions, facilitate innovation and reduce costs to consumers.

ElectraLink has over 20 years of demonstrable experience in procuring and operating large, complex services and systems on behalf of the energy industry. The consistent and reliable delivery of the DTS has supported the evolution of the UK energy market, underpinning competition and growth in the market through flexible, secure and trusted data transfer. We have also delivered complex and large-scale industry contracts, such as the Theft Risk Assessment Service (TRAS), in order to solve energy industry problems.

ElectraLink also provides expertise to several energy industry codes which set the 'rules' for the gas and electricity markets. Our reputation for impartiality and energy market expertise makes us an ideal partner in the implementation and change management of energy market governance arrangements.

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