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Baseline Data Reporting (BDR) – general update

Following operator submission of the Baseline Data Report (BDR), an application for free allocation (FA) in June 2025, OPRED are nearing completion of the technical review of those. All applications will be submitted to the UK ETS authority for assessment by the 30th September 2025.

- For operators applying for FA under Article 4 of the Free Allocation Regulation, OPRED's
 assessment of the submitted applications will be reviewed by the UK ETS Authority. Further
 information on the second stage (April-June 2026) of the FA application process will be
 provided in due course.
- Please note that we are aware of a bug in the METS system in relation to your BDR workflow where OPRED has completed its review. This prevents the download of the reviewed BDR uploaded by OPRED. A solution is underway and will be resolved which is anticipated to be live in early October. If you require your reviewed BDR earlier, please contact us, otherwise it will be available in METS after the bug has been fixed.
- For the 2026 allocation year, OPRED will calculate each free allocation installation's free allocation on the basis of previous activity level change (ALC) reports, or new entrant application where there is no ALC report.

OPRED Helpdesk

A helpdesk is set up to assist users if required. Please contact opred@energysecurity.gov.uk for assistance.