

Forum meeting record

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| Forum: | NEM Reform Implementation Forum #19 |
| Date: | 27 February 2024 |
| Time: | 1:00PM – 3:00PM AEDT |
| Location: | MS Teams |

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| Kate Goatley | ActewAGL | Simeon Petersons | Endeavour Energy |
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| Soun Wong | AGL | Cheryle Mcleod | Energy Australia |
| Guenter (Ken) Schel | AGL | Ranjan Thakur | Energy Australia |
| Mark Riley | AGL | Joseph Giddings | Energy One |
| Craig Hamilton | Alinta Energy | Melanie Rieger | EnergyX |
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| Lori Scarano | Ampol | David Weatherly | Essential Energy |
| Marian Vasjuta | Ampol | Fiona Ninness | Essential Energy |
| Renee Tragis | Arrow Energy | Adam Dubojski | Essential Energy |
| Anne McTernan | Arrow Energy | Angie Henry-Gawthorne | Essential Energy |
| Craig Steele | Aurora Energy | Melissa Ferris | Essential Energy |
| Kevin Bouchard | Aurora Energy | Michael Karanastasis | Essential Energy |
| Vanessa Buxton | Aurora Energy | Tim Lord | Essential Energy |
| Wayne Turner | Ausgrid | Jeff Roberts | Evo Energy |
| David Rofe | AusNet Services | Sagar Shah | Hansen |
| Navaneeth Varadarajan | AusNet Services | Andrew Pratt | Hydro |
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| Sean Harris | Brave Energy | Amanda Pollard | Origin Energy |
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| Inger Wills | CitiPower, Powercor & United Energy | Aadrita Banerjee | Origin Energy |
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| Allan Short | CS Energy | Nick Gustafsson | Red Energy |
| Christine Volp | CS Energy | Sean Jennings | Red Energy |

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| Joanne Gordon | SA Power Network | Chris Fleming | AEMO |
| Michael Zhang | SA Power Networks | David Reynolds | AEMO |
| David Woods | SA Power Networks | Dylan Volkhardt | AEMO |
| Micheal Woods | SA Power Networks | Emily Brodie | AEMO |
| Ciro Barbieri | Shell Energy | Greg Minney | AEMO |
| Damien Didier | Stanwell | Justin Stute | AEMO |
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| Paul Willacy | TasNetworks | Karen Wilbrink | AEMO |
| Adrian Honey | TasNetworks | Lenard Bayne | AEMO |
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| Paul Greenwood | Vector Metering | Oliver Derum | AEMO |
| Lewis Wand | Windlab | Paul Lyttle | AEMO |
| Sonia Marmotta | Yuika | Simon Tu | AEMO |
| Carla Ziser | Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) | Ulrika Lindholm | AEMO |

1 Welcome

(Slides 2-4)

- Members welcomed and agenda outlined. Participants informed that the meeting will be recorded for the purpose of minute taking only.

2 Actions & Feedback from Previous Meeting

(Slides 5-6)

- All action items were closed.

3 2024 / 2025 Release Summary

Greg Minney (Slides 7-8)

- A high-level summary of external milestones against all inflight initiatives summarising from the previous period with details outlined on slide 8 of the accompanying slide pack.

| Raised By | Question/Comment | Response |
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| Yvonne Tuckett – Origin Energy | Could ST PASA be added to the Release Summary milestones chart? | AEMO will consider incorporation of ST PASA into NEM Reform reporting –as Implementation timeframes are confirmed as per update in Implementation Roadmap |

4 March 2024 Release

Chris Fleming (Slides 9-13)

- The MSATS deployment for this release will be Sunday 3 March, followed by procedure effective date for Metering Exemptions on Monday 4 March 2024. Further details are outlined on slide 10 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO advised participants to update their B2M schema preference prior to the production outage on 3 March. Key information and support arrangements can be found on slide 11 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO presented a March 2024 Milestones timeline and can be found on slide 12 of the accompanying slide pack.

| Raised By | Question/Comment | Response |
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| Ben Donnelly - Essential Energy | Can a notification be sent when AEMO have completed their changes successfully and communicate via the agreed communication in AEMO's implementation plan.? | AEMO will communicate changes in line with those outlined in the implementation plan. |

5 Pre-production Availability

Chris Fleming (Slides 14-15)

- AEMO outlines the proposed dated and outage timings. Key information on the market trial can be found on slide 15 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO noted that two additional outages are planned for late February and are listed below.
 - 29 February (From 10am Market time) half day outage
 - 13 March – outage duration TBC

6 June 2024 Release

(Slides 16-43)

Release Update & Milestone Review

Greg Minney (Slides 19-20)

- AEMO advised that overall project status is amber and added that all tech specs were published on 21 February. AEMO added that the next tech spec and data model updates will align with the pre-prod release for Data Model 5.3 scheduled for 13 March. Further details on the release update are available on slide 20 of the accompanying slide pack.

Contingency approach feedback & confirmation

Greg Minney (Slides 23-26)

- AEMO summarised participant feedback received on proposed IESS implementation contingencies, noting that it will continue to monitor identified contingency trigger points as identified. Further detail on contingency approaches and participant feedback is contained on Slides 23-26 of the accompanying slide pack

Approach to Go-Live: 3 Month checkpoint

Greg Minney (Slides 27-30)

- AEMO will conduct an overall IESS readiness checkpoint at end February 2024 with a view to report to PCF at the 13 March meeting. AEMO presented the readiness & Go Live criteria with detailed information outlined on slide 29 of the accompanying slide pack, highlighting the participant readiness assessment approach for NECR implementation. AEMO offered participants who may have concerns on their operation readiness post NECR implementation and wish to raise confidentiality can do so by contact [Greg Minney](#) directly.

PDSE feedback and approach

Chris Fleming (Slides 31-33)

- AEMO has initiated a weekly Q&A sessions relating to PDSE with further details on the approach outlined on slide 32 of the accompanying slide pack.

| Raised By | Question/Comment | Response |
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| Andrew Pratt - Hydro | Are there updates regarding Industry testing (PDSE), with respect to known issues? | A new release was deployed to PDSE on Friday 23 Feb. Timing of further fixes and updates are communicated thru the PDSE Q&A Sessions. |

Market Trial Planning – ITWG Engagement

Chris Fleming (Slides 33-37)

- AEMO outlined information for IESS market trial with key dates available on slide 34 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition, AEMO outlined the next steps for the market trail and can be found on slide 37 of the accompanying slide pack.

Readiness documentation and engagement

Carla Ziser (Slides 38-43)

- AEMO advised that *Draft* IESS go-live plan has been published with feedback requested by 18 March. In addition, AEMO have conducted several information sessions since the previous Implementation forum with details outlined on slide 40 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO outlined the IESS readiness next steps ahead of the next Implementation forum and are outlined on slide 41 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO provided keys dates for BDU transition and cutover with further details outlined on slide 42 of the accompanying slide pack.

7 SCADA Lite 2024 Release

Greg Minney (Slides 44-47)

- AEMO has now received investment approval to proceed with SCADA Lite implementation. AEMO is currently conducting a Proof of Concept (POC) on the identified approach and formalising delivery of approach and timings. Milestones and progress reporting will be incorporated into the NEM Reform program and forums (PCF, Implementation Forums). Current expectation is that SCADA Lite will Go-Live is now 3rd Qtr. / early 4th Qtr. 2024 (TBC). Further details on SCADA Lite are available on slide 45 to 47 of the accompanying slide pack.

8 September 2024 Release

Greg Minney & Dylan Volkhardt (Slides 48-51)

Retail Improvements – Scope & Timings / Milestones

- AEMO noted that the retail improvements release is scheduled for 29 September 2024 with procedure effective dates for in scope ICF's in September and November 2024.
- AEMO noted the following updates:
 - Retail Improvements Release scheduled 29th September
 - Development team in place
 - Planned milestones to support committed procedure effective dates
 - Readiness Approach to outline expected industry Test support for both components of release.

9 December 2024 / June 2025 FPP Release

(Slides 52-66)

Progress Summary

Oliver Derum (Slides 53-56)

- AEMO advised that the overall status is Green, but highlighted that an upcoming deliverable, the FPP Reporting Tech Spec due for publication on 15 April, was at risk due to resource constraints. AEMO is working to address these constraints and still intends to produce the tech spec by 15 April.
- AEMO advised that new video explainers have been uploaded to the [FPP project page](#) on AEMO's website. Further details on the new FPP information and educational resources are outlined on slide 54 of the accompanying slide pack.

Industry Readiness Approach and Go-Live Criteria

Karen Wilbrink (Slides 57-66)

- AEMO provided an overview of the FPP – non-financial readiness approach with key dates and information available on slide 58 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition AEMO outlined the draft readiness and go live criteria and is outlined on slide 60 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO provided the proposed framework for industry testing and is expected to commence in October 2024. Further details on the testing approach are outlined on slide 61 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition, AEMO outlined the proposed participants development support with key areas outlined on slide 62 and 63 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO presented the proposed transition and go live approach on slide 64 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO outlined next steps on slide 66 of the accompanying slide pack and requested feedback on FPP by 28 Feb by emailing FPPconsultations@aemo.com.au.

10 Other Initiatives

IDAM, IDX & Portal Consolidation Business Case Process

(Slides 67-71)

- Taken as read.

11 Stakeholder Engagement

Stakeholder Sentiment Survey – Verbal Update

David Reynolds (Slide 73)

- AEMO provided members with the next steps for the recent Stakeholder Sentiment Survey.

Upcoming Engagements

David Reynolds (Slides 74-75)

- NEM Reform program meeting schedule was provided.

12 General Questions and Other business

(Slide 67)

Sparse Data Model

- AEMO advised that a change was made to the June 23 timeframe regarding the data model 5.2.
- Queries and feedback may be sent to NEMReform@aemo.com.au.

OPEN ACTION ITEMS

(Item = Meeting # – Agenda # – Reference)

| Item | Topic | Action | Responsible |
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| 19.6.0.1 | June 2024 Release - Readiness documentation and engagement | Participants to provide feedback on the content outlined in the draft IESS Go-Live plan by emailing NEMReform@aemo.com.au by Monday 18 March. | Participants |
| 19.9.0.1 | December 2024 / June 2025 FPP Release – Industry Readiness Approach and Go-Live Criteria | Participants to provide feedback on the content outlined Go-Live criteria by emailing FPPconsultations@aemo.com.au by 28 February 2024. | Participants |