INFORMATION EXCHANGE COMMITTEE MEETING

FOR DISCUSSION

SUBJECT: IEC FORWARD WORK PROGRAM 2023 INCLUDING AEMO NEM REFORM IMPLEMENTATION ROADMAP

AGENDA ITEM: 8

1. PURPOSE

To provide the IEC with an update on the indicative forward work program for 2023, noting that this will be subject to updates throughout the year, and to provide version 1 of the AEMO NEM Reform Implementation Roadmap.

2. BACKGROUND

In 2020, the Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC), Australian Energy Regulator (AER) and AEMO undertook a process with stakeholders to prioritise the energy market reform program in response to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, recognising the cumulative regulatory implementation burden and the increasing number of significant processes.

Building on this process, AEMO formed the Reform Delivery Committee (RDC) in November 2021 to navigate the Energy Security Board (ESB) reforms over the coming few years, with a view of de-risking delivery, minimising implementation costs and informing implementation timing. The resulting NEM Reform Implementation Roadmap (Roadmap) incorporates the earlier Regulatory Implementation Roadmap. A copy of all versions of the roadmap can be found on AEMO's webpage:

https://aemo.com.au/initiatives/major-programs/nem-reform-implementation-roadmap.

The roadmap will continue to be revised periodically, as new AEMC rule change determinations and other relevant decisions are made.

3. DISCUSSION

The first version of the Roadmap outlines a baseline plan for the implementation of reform in the energy market. In recognition of the significant challenges and risks associated with policy and regulatory uncertainty, the Roadmap commits to delivery of mandatory and no regrets initiatives in a timely way. It also sets a pathway and progressive commitment process for delivery of those initiatives with greater uncertainty in policy, design, scope or timing.

This release integrates the Regulatory Implementation Roadmap – Version 7 and NEM2025 Implementation Roadmap – Version 2, to provide a holistic view of the reform and IT uplift initiatives over the coming years.

The Roadmap incorporates feedback from the Reform Delivery Committee and broader industry, including the 11 May 2022 roadmap stakeholder forum.

Due to the level of detail within the Roadmap, please refer to the version available on AEMO's webpage: https://aemo.com.au/-/media/files/initiatives/regulatory-implementation-roadmap/reform-update-v1/nem-reform-implementation-roadmap-v1.xlsx?la=en

Based on the projects and initiatives highlighted in the Roadmap, the following table provides an outline of the key meeting agenda items which are anticipated for 2023.

IEC Meeting 2023	Agenda Item	Description
February	Energy Consumer and AEMO Discretionary Members final meeting	Energy Consumer and AEMO Discretionary Members terms expire on 1 March 2023. IEC and AEMO to consider existing appointments.
	Finalisation of IEC budget	Final budget for IEC for 2023-24 to be tabled.
	Update on Integrating Energy Storage Systems (IESS)	Business to Market (B2M) and Business to Business (B2B) Consultations on IESS due to commence in CAL YR 2023.
	Discussion on next round of B2B Consultatation	Matters to be included in the consultation to be discussed with IEC.
May	Energy Consumer and AEMO Discretionary Members	First meeting for Energy Consumer and AEMO Discretionary Members appointed from 1 March 2023-2024
	AEMC Review of the Regulatory Framework for Metering Services	Update on AEMC's Review of the Regulatory Framework for Metering Services
	Update on IESS	Progress on B2M and B2B Consultations on IESS
	Update on B2B consultation	Update for IEC on industry consultation on the next version of the B2B Procedures.
	Overview of current NEM2025 reforms	Overview of NEM2025 reform initiatives
August	Update on B2B consultation	Update for IEC on industry consultation on the next version of the B2B Procedures.
	AEMC Review of the Regulatory Framework for Metering Services	Overview of the final decisions from the AEMC and any impacts on B2B procedures or system

IEC Meeting 2023	Agenda Item	Description
	Update on IESS	Progress on B2M and B2B Consultations on IESS
November	Draft Annual Report 2023	For consideration by the IEC
	Draft IEC Budget 2024-25	For consideration by the IEC

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

The IEC note:

- the indicative forward work program for 2023, noting that it will be subject to change as the year progresses; and
- the current status of the AEMO NEM Reform Implementation Roadmap.

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