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MEETING:	Information Exchange Committee Meeting Number 28
DATE:	Tuesday 6 September 2022
TIME:	10:30AM AEDT
LOCATION:	Teleconference, AEMO Board Room Melbourne
MEMBER ATTENDEES:	Mr John Pittard (Chair) Mr Kee Wong (AEMO Non-Executive Director) Mr Peter Price (distributor representative) Mr Paul Greenwood (metering representative) Mr David Markham (retailer representative) Ms Stefanie Monaco (retailer representative) Mr Brian Spak (consumer representative) Mr Peter Van Loon (discretionary member - retailer) Mr Marco Bogaers (discretionary member - embedded networks)
APOLOGIES:	Mr Luke Jenner (distributor representative)
IN ATTENDANCE:	Meghan Bibby (AEMO, IEC Secretariat) Helen Vassos (B2B-WG Representative, PLUS ES) Kate Gordon (AEMO) Blaine Miner (AEMO, B2B-WG Chair) Kay Scanlon, Observer (AEMO)

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 10:45AM (AEST).

1. Compliance with Competition Law

The Chairperson introduced the Competition Law Meeting Protocol.

2. Apologies

The Chairperson noted Mr Luke Jenner (distributor representative) as an apology.

3. Membership update

The Chairperson thanked and farewelled inaugural members Peter Price (distributor representative) and David Markham (retailer representative) for their contribution to the IEC.

The Chairperson noted this would be his last meeting and would be stepping down.

The Chairperson welcomed the new IEC members:

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- Kee Wong (AEMO Non-Executive Director)
- Paul Greenwood (metering representative)
- Stefanie Monaco (retailer representative)

4. Members' Declarations of Interest

The Chairperson noted that there were no conflicts of interest declared.

5. Minutes of previous meeting

The IEC accepted the minutes of the previous meeting.

6. Matters arising

The matters arising were reviewed.

The Chairperson asked when the Review of the Regulatory Framework for Metering Services draft report would be published. Meghan Bibby (AEMO) noted that the draft report is due to be published toward the end of September 2022. The IEC will have a chance to respond formally.

The Chairperson noted:

- The Embedded Network Reform - to be left on the matters arising as a reminder as there has been no movement and is currently sitting with energy ministers.
- CDR – can be closed.

7. Verbal Briefings

6.1 Current B2B Procedure consultation

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) provided an update on the progression of the B2B procedures:

- The November release is progressing, requiring changes to the validation module and online web service with no schema change required. Pre-production to open in September with testing to start a week after.
- The May 2023 release is currently going through initial stages of resource planning. Due to the new transaction, a new schema is required, however, there are no impacts to existing processes. The new transaction affects metering providers and distributors. Participants can stay on the previous schema if they are not affected by the change.

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) gave an overview of new consultation rules.

The Chairperson suggested that test cases of the new minor/administrative or non-material consultation timeframes should be established to determine what criteria would be applied to determine when these consultation categories are applied and how this decision is made. The IEC supported this suggestion.

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) noted AEMO will be releasing the new roadmap which should be reviewed by the IEC in the November meeting.

6.2 Integrating Energy Storage Systems (IESS)

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) gave an update on Integrating Energy Storage Systems (IESS). IESS has two phases:

1. 31 March 2023 Implementation date: only wholesale is affected.
2. 3 June 2024 Implementation date: will impact electricity retail. The B2B-WG has done an assessment of the first round of IESS and is currently developing the high level impacts of the final release.

6.3 Review of the Regulatory Framework for Metering

Ed Chan and Mitchell Grande from the AEMC gave an update of the Regulatory Framework for Metering. It was noted the scope of the review includes:

- a broader consideration of metering competition to date;
- key decisions as to whether to accelerate the roll out of smart meters across all jurisdictions;
- the improvement of the meter installation processes including coordination and the associated timeframes; and
- data access including Metering Co-ordinators and distributors to exchange power quality data.

The AEMC discussed with the IEC members the review so far on power quality data sharing.

The IEC noted the information provided by the AEMC, and requested the B2B-WG consider if there was actions that could be taken prior to the Review's final outcomes to support and possibly accelerate power quality data sharing.

Actions:

- **The B2B-WG to review if the current procedures are fit for purpose for transmission of power quality information between participants and what sort of scalability is required (high level indications) since the volumes of transactions will increase.**
- **The B2B-WG to review the B2B procedures and determine if power quality transactions could be accelerated using B2B procedures rather than via an AEMC rule change**
- **Schedule an out of session meeting to provide feedback on the draft report**

8. Update on B2B-WG Activities

Helen Vassos (PLUS ES) spoke to the activities of the B2B-WG.

Since the May 2022 IEC meeting , the B2B-WG has discussed the following:

- Alignment of B2B and B2M field lengths
- Integrating Energy Storage Systems (IESS)

- Updating of B2B Guide
- Gap in NEM RoLR Process

An update is provided on each of these matters in the B2B-WG update paper.

Other Business

9. IEC forward meeting dates

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) noted the proposed date for the next IEC meetings.

10. Other matters

Chairperson closing comments

Meeting Close

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 12:00pm.

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John Pittard **Date:** 6 September 2022