

# ST PASA Replacement Project

Stakeholder Workshop #2 –  
Overview of the new process

May 2022



# Agenda

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- Key Themes
- Determination of Reliability – the new paradigm
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# Background



# ST PASA Replacement Project

- **Objective:** To do a holistic review of the PD/ST PASA methodology and develop a system that would serve the NEM now, and into the future.
- Details and updates can be found on [ST PASA Webpage](#)

# Progress to date

- Phase 1 completed
  - ✓ Initiate industry consultation
  - ✓ High level business requirements
  - ✓ High level design (HLD)
  - ✓ Proof of Concept (PoC)
- Phase 2A commenced
  - AEMC published the [final rule change](#) on 5<sup>th</sup> May
  - Tasks progressing in parallel:
    - Development of detailed business requirements including stakeholder consultations
    - Further development of uncertainty margins
    - Request For Proposal (RFP) for the SCED engine

# Business requirements – Stakeholder Consultation

- Detailed business requirements are now being developed
- A series of stakeholder workshops to work through key technical concepts in detail
- Formal procedure consultation to commence once the key technical concepts have been addressed – most likely Q3/Q4 2022. The procedures will include:
  - ST PASA Process description (*the ST PASA procedure*)
  - Reserve Level Declaration Guidelines (RLDG)
  - Reliability Standard Implementation Guidelines (RSIG)
  - Spot Market Timetable (for frequency of PASA runs)

# Key Themes



# Key Themes of new system

Based on emerging challenges facing the power system, some key themes were identified as important for determining reliability

- Reliability is a physical system issue hence the model should reflect the physical reality instead of the market
  - Full network model
  - Forecast at nodal level (load on bus)
- Due to uncertainties in predicting certain inputs that are used to forecast reliability, it is important to account for these uncertainties in demand forecast, VRE forecasts and scheduled unit availability.



# Benefits of the Proposed Approach

- A full network model provides
  - flexibility in modelling various/unforeseen network configurations e.g. separation not occurring at regional boundary
  - Information about network congestion at a nodal level hence provide information about impact of intra-regional contingencies
- There are two possible approaches to determining uncertainties:
  - Monte Carlo simulation – not feasible due to the massive number of simulations required that would be computationally impossible in an operational timeframe
  - Probabilistic approach i.e. Uncertainty Margins (UM) – viable option to determine uncertainties in an operational timeframe

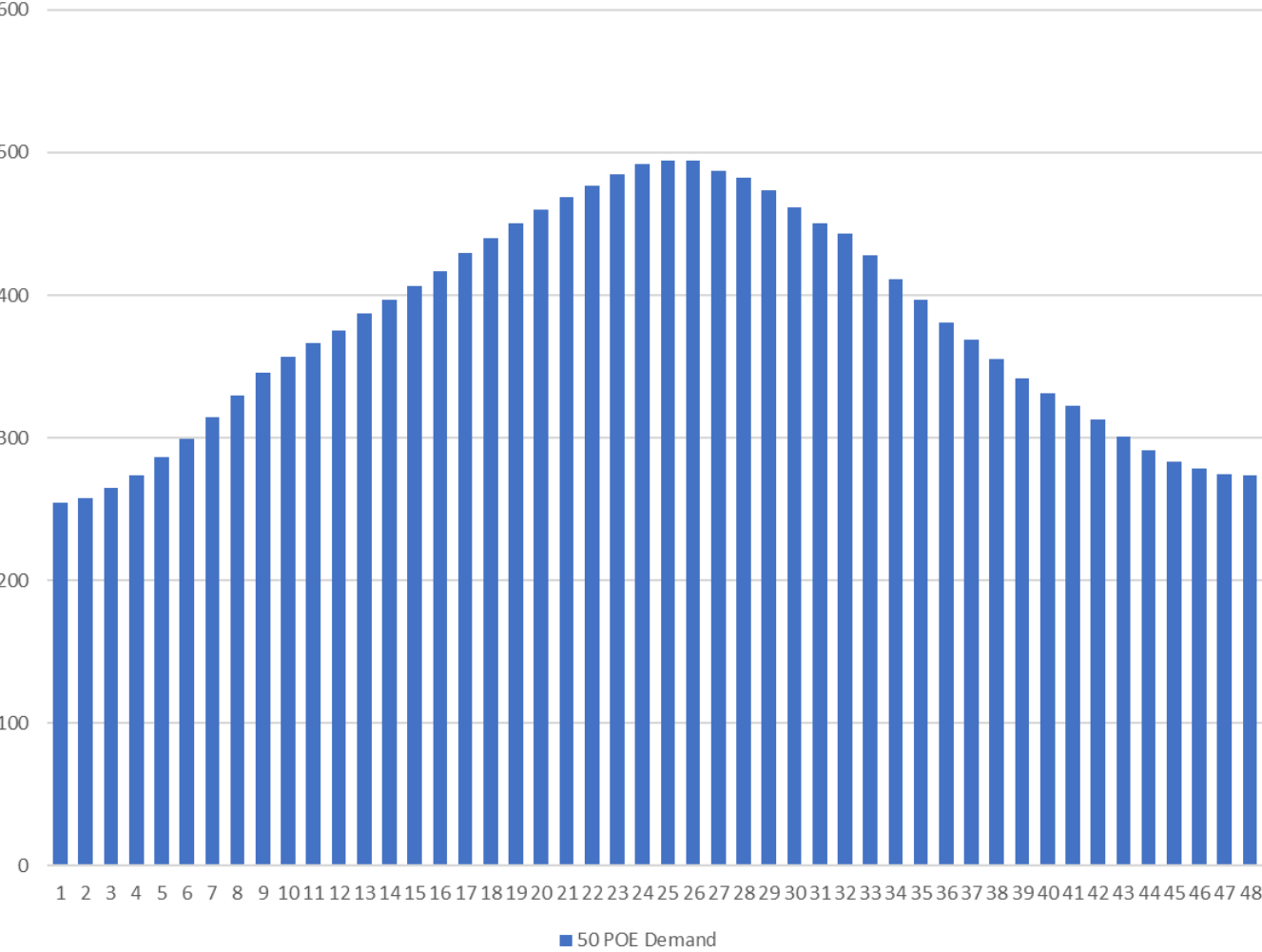
# Determination of Reliability



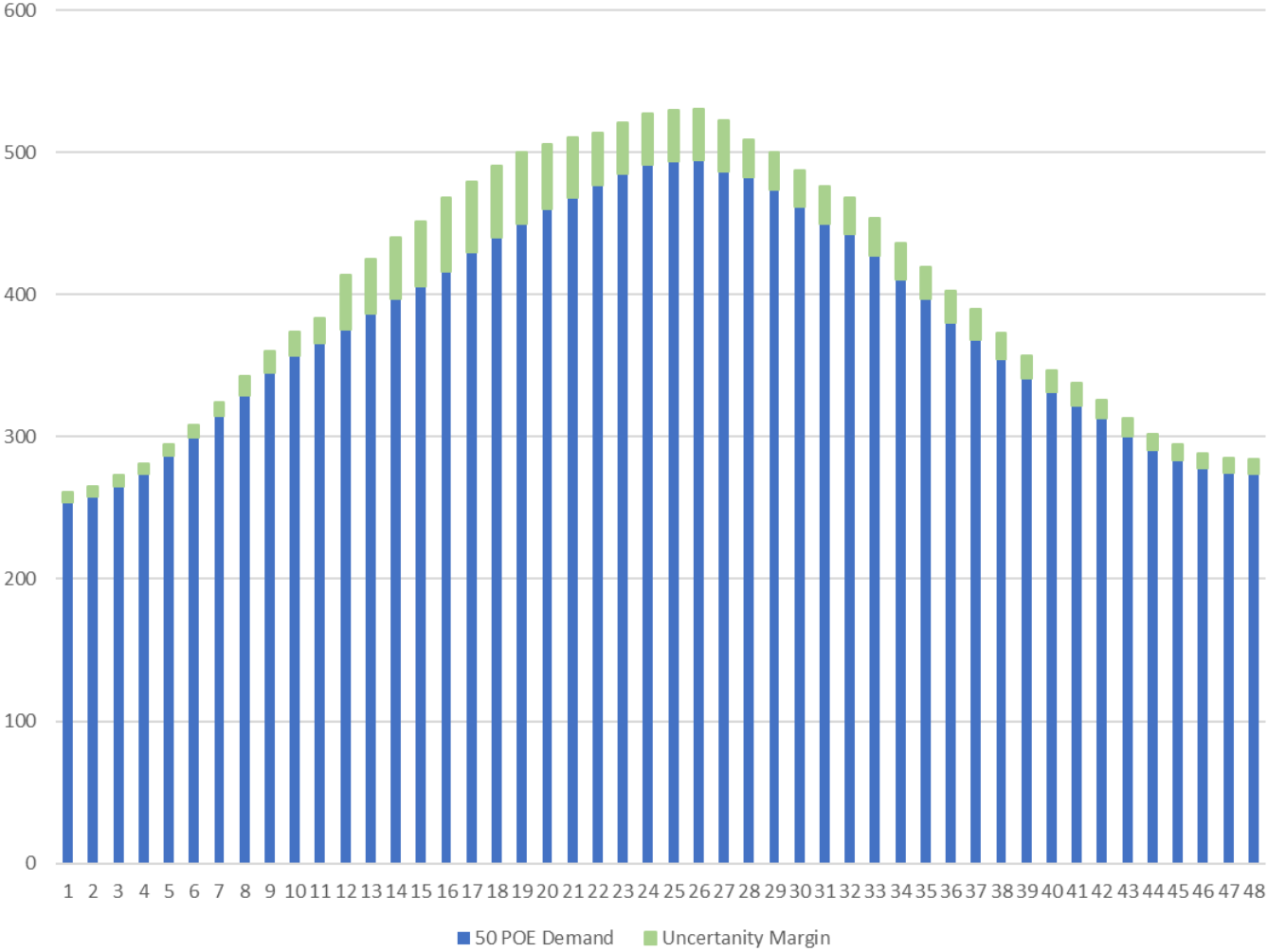
# Determination of Reliability – the new paradigm

|                                 | Current ST PASA   | Proposed System   |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Objective</b>                | Create generation profile that maximises reserve by maximising supply to RRN  | Create generation profile that meets the demand at each node  |
| <b>Subject to</b>               | n-1 security constraints for predefined network configurations<br>(Transmission contingencies only)   | n-1 security constraints for any network configuration and set of contingencies<br>(Transmission and generator contingencies) |
| <b>Demand Used</b>              | 50% POE demand  | 50% POE demand + Uncertainty Margin   |
| <b>Supply Side (Generation)</b> | Max Availability or UIGF  | (Max Avail or UIGF) – UM – Aux Load   |
| <b>Reliability Measure</b>      | Reserve = Generation – Demand   | Deficit = Demand - Generation   |
| <b>LOR Declared</b>             | LOR 3 if Reserve < 0<br>LOR 2 if Reserve <= LOR 2 level<br>LOR 1 if Reserve <= LOR 1 level<br><br>LOR2/1 level = Max (LCR/LCR2, FUM)<br>where LCR represents either a generator or interconnector contingency | Deficit > 0<br><br>The determination of the three LOR levels will be discussed in detail in the next workshop                 |

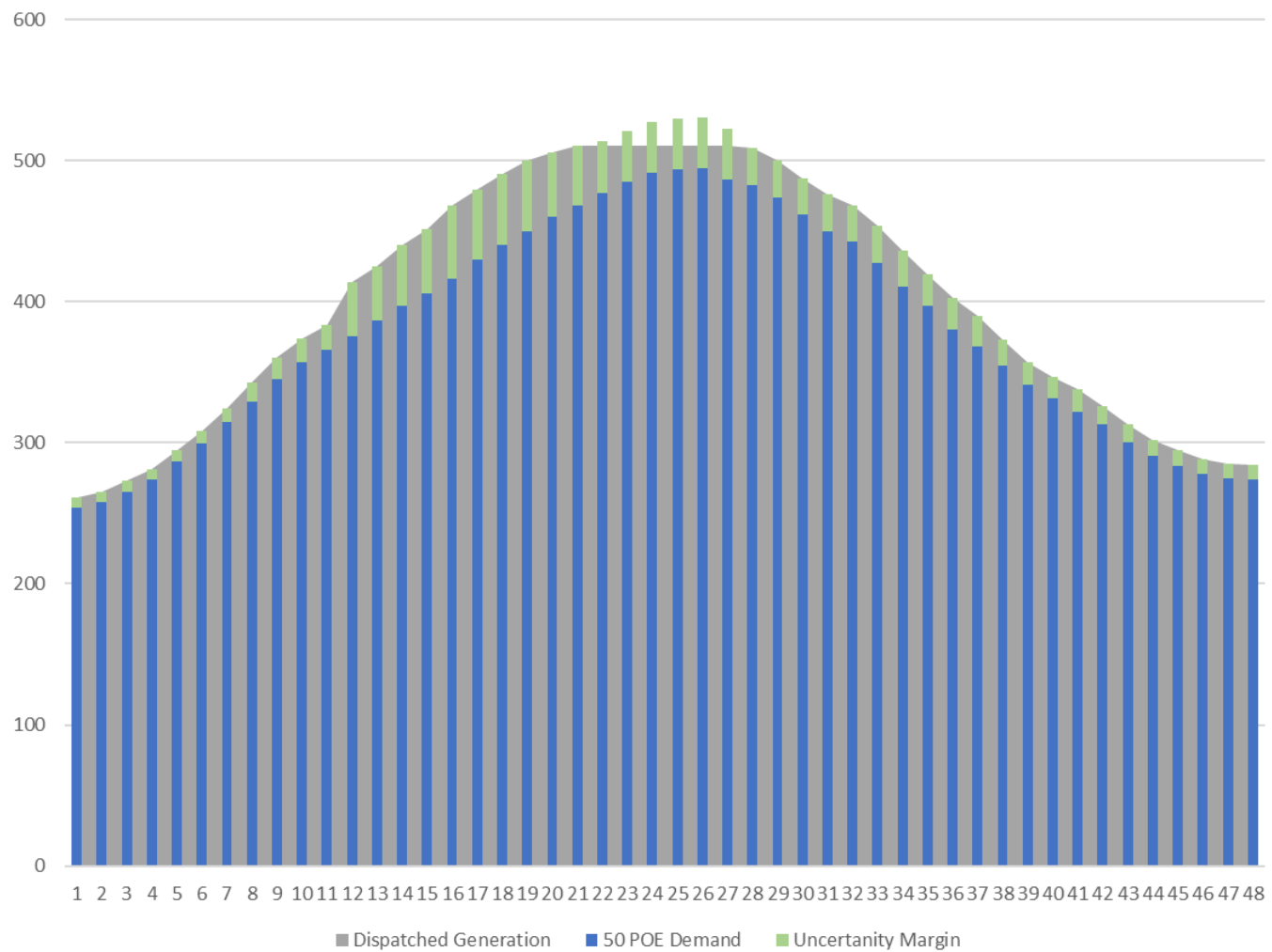
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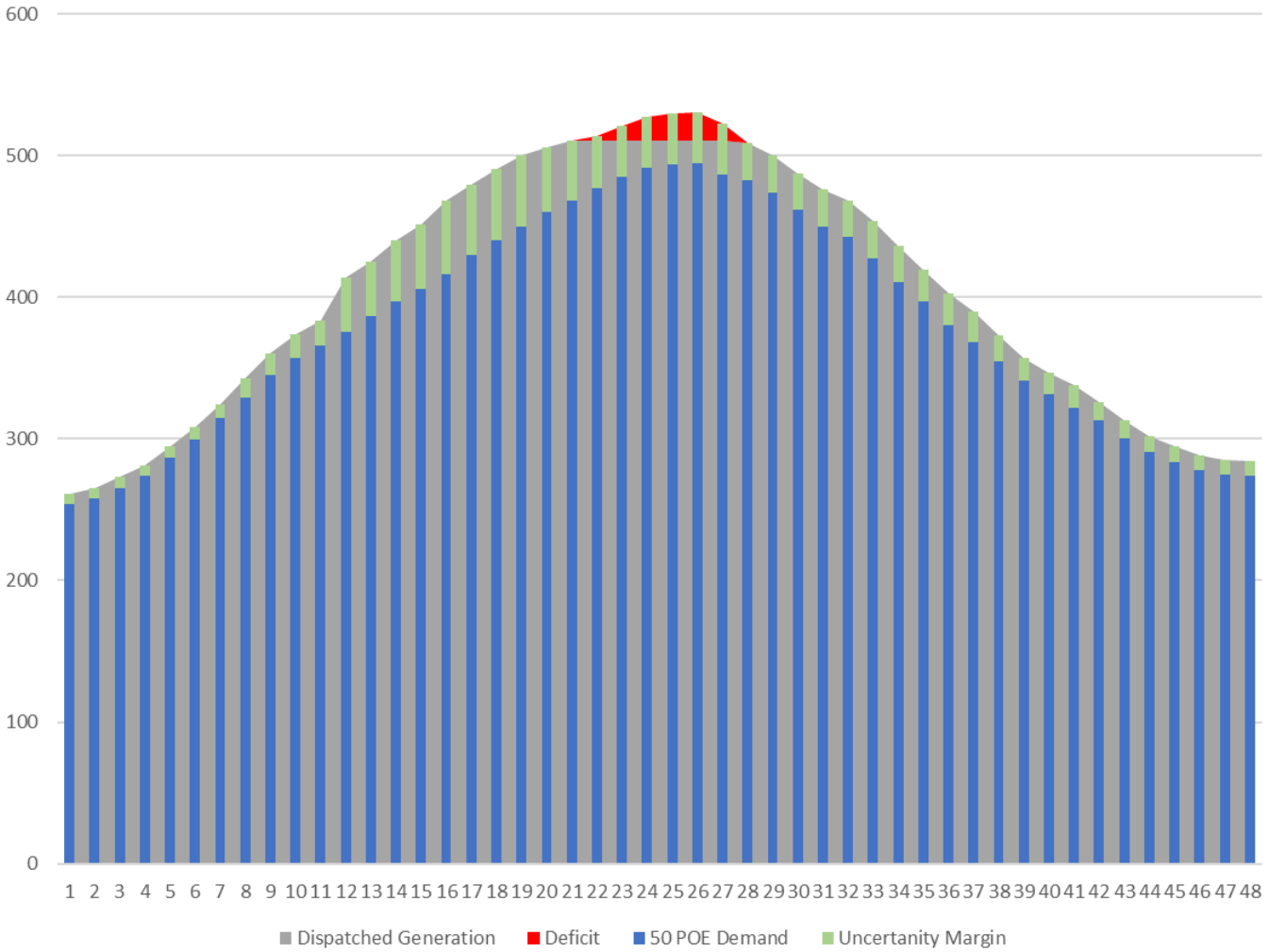
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# Uncertainty Margins and Confidence Levels





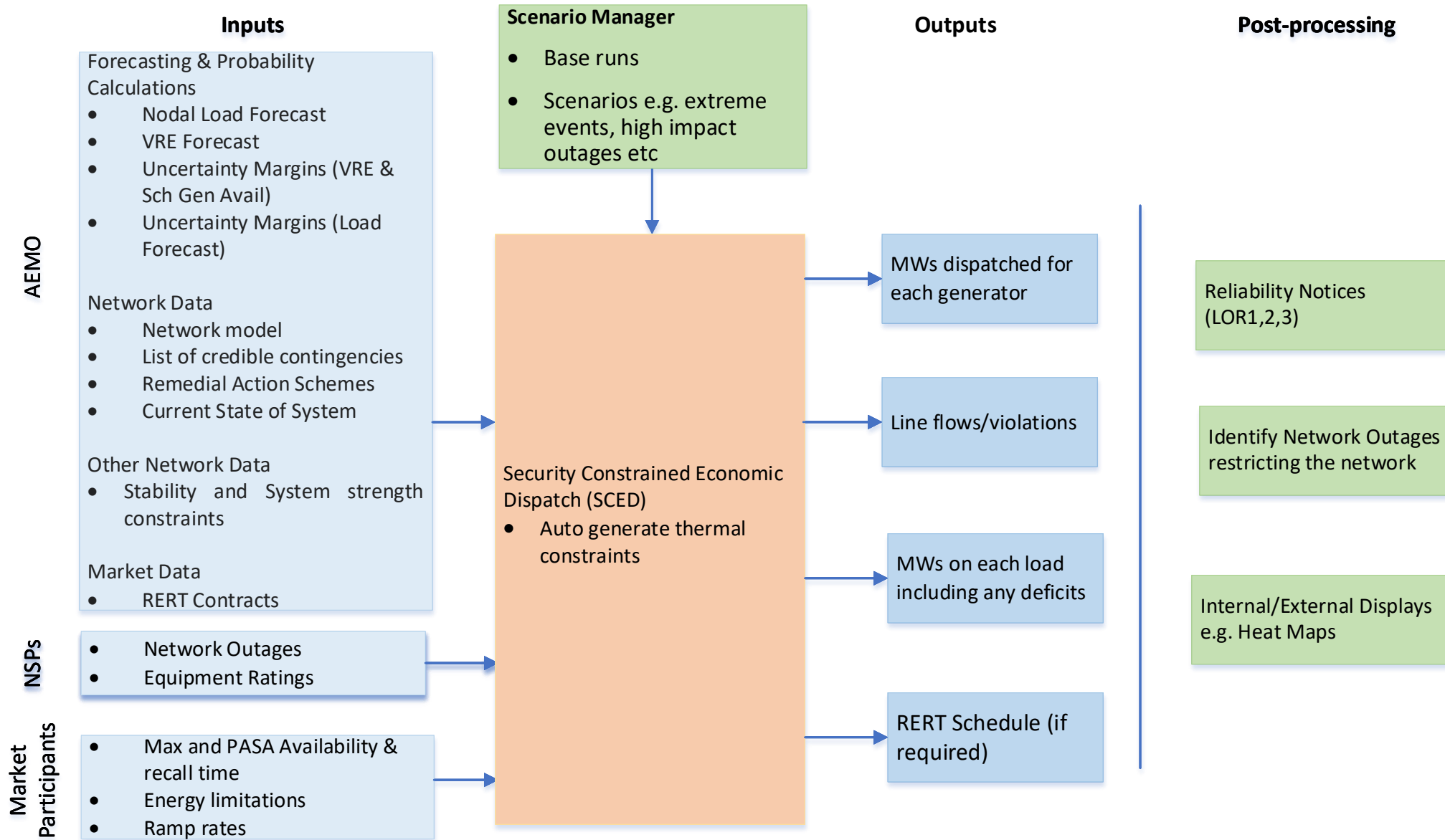
# Uncertainty Margins and Confidence Levels

- *Uncertainty Margin: An amount of MWs that represents expected conditional forecast error given a confidence level, used to adjust the load, VRE forecasts and scheduled generation max availability and ensure sufficient supply to meet demand.*
- A methodology to produce Uncertainty Margins is being developed.
- A separate workshop to be held to discuss this further.
- x% confidence level means that we are x% confident that the forecast error will not exceed this value
  - Work to be done to determine which confidence level to be used

# Overall Design



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# Inputs by NSPs

- Network Outages
  - The Network Outage Scheduler (NOS) will be treated as the single source of truth for ST PASA
  - Any NOS updates including extension of outage timing to be reflected as soon as practical to ensure that the changes are reflected accurately in the next ST PASA run
- Equipment Rating
  - No changes to current process envisaged as this stage

# Inputs by Market Participants

For Generators, MNSPs, Loads, BDUs\* and WDR\* units, continue with current process for bidding:

- Max Availability
- PASA Availability
- Energy Limitations
- Ramp Rates

Additional process

- Enter the recall time associated with the PASA Availability

# Inputs by Semi-Scheduled units

- The new STPASA rule requires all scheduled resources, including scheduled and semi-scheduled (SS) units to provide the Max Avail, PASA Avail and recall time in the ST time frame.
- At this stage, AEMO does not expect to use the PASA availability/recall time for SS units in the new STPASA. However, this may become important over time with the growing proportion of VRE resources in the generation mix.

# Modelling of WDR & BDUs

- WDR units
  - Treated like a generator
  - Need to disaggregate dispatch across nodes pro-rata to registered Maximum Responsive Component (MRC) for each NMI in that unit
  - Bid Max Availability will be used
- Bi-directional units (batteries)
  - Bidirectional model to be introduced in June 2024
  - Will account for state of charge

# Details to be explored in subsequent workshops

- Types of Runs - *Workshop #3*
  - used to determine the three LOR levels
  - Other runs to provide further information to market
- Different inputs used in each run- *Workshop #3*
  - System intact vs unplanned credible contingencies
  - Max Avail vs PASA Avail
  - Continuous vs Short-term ratings
  - What confidence level to use for Uncertainty Margins - *Workshop #4*
- Frequency of runs - *Workshop #3*
- Information to be published - *Workshop #5*



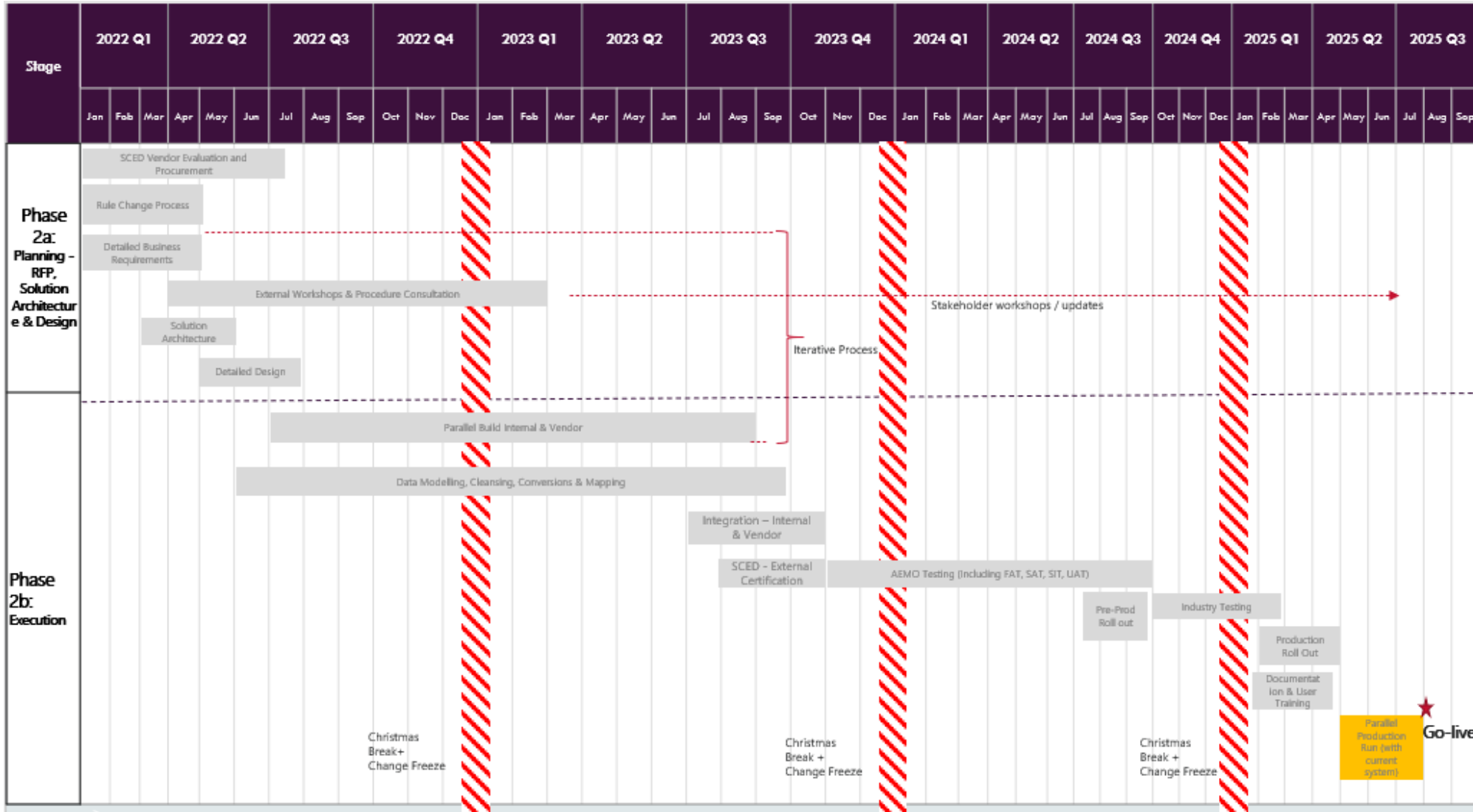
# Next Steps



# Workshop timetable

| Workshop | Topic   | Proposed Date           |
|----------|---|-------------------------|
| 1        | Generator Recall Process – current and future             | Thursday 7 April 2022   |
| 2        | Overview of the new process                               | Thursday 19 May 2022    |
| 3        | PASA Run types  | Thursday 23 June 2022   |
| 4        | Demand Forecast, Uncertainty Margin and Confidence Levels | Thursday 21 July 2022   |
| 5        | Information to be made publicly available                 | Thursday 11 August 2022 |

# High level project time line



# Glossary

| Term | Definition   |
|------|--|
| BDU  | Bi-directional unit  |
| FUM  | Forecast Uncertainty Measure   |
| LCR  | Largest Credible Risk  |
| LOR  | Lack of reserve  |
| MRC  | Maximum Responsive Component   |
| NMI  | National Metering Identifier   |
| NOS  | Network Outage Scheduler   |
| NSP  | Network Service Provider   |
| PASA | Projected assessment of system adequacy  |
| PD   | Pre-dispatch time frame  |
| POE  | Probability of exceedance. A 50% PoE load forecast is one which will be exceeded 50% of the time |
| ST   | Short term time frame  |
| WDR  | Wholesale Demand Response  |