

Forum meeting record

Forum:	NEM Reform Electricity Wholesale Consultative Forum #15	
Date:	16 April 2024	
Time:	1:00PM – 3:00PM AEST	
Location:	MS Teams	

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Ken Schell	AGL	Lya McTaggart	Stanwell
Anne McTernan	Arrow Energy	Suvid Satyawadi	Tally Group
Lina Choi	CleanCo QLD	Liam McManus	Vena Energy
Mitchel Taylor	CS Energy	Rowan Rogers	Windlab
Lindsay Williamson-Hanna	CQ Energy	Alice Kelly	AEMO
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Karel Mallinson	Powerlink QLD	Sourav Basu	AEMO
Ron Logan	Shell Energy		

1 Welcome (Slides 2-4)

• The chair welcomed members to the EWCF (Electricity Wholesale Consultative Forum) meeting and provided an overview of the agenda. An acknowledgement of country was provided.

2 Actions & Feedback from previous meeting

(Slides 5-6)

• All outstanding items were closed.

3 Inflight Reform Update

(Slides 7-26)

- An overview was provided of the following inflight initiatives:
 - o Integrating Energy Storage Systems (IESS)
 - Frequency Performance Payments (FPP)
 - Project Energy Connect -Market Integration (PEC-MI)

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- Enhancing Reserve Information (ERI)]
- Improving Security Frameworks (ISF)

Integrated Energy Storage System (IESS)

AEMO provided an update on the IESS activities to date and presented an initiative industry timeline.
 AEMO noted that market trail has commenced with further details outlined on slide 12 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO outlined an overview of the key milestones for 2024 and provided information on the three phases for market trial.

Frequency Performance Payments (FPP)

AEMO provided and update on FPP activities to date. AEMO advised that publication of the new tech
spec has been completed. In addition, AEMO presented a timeline for FPP with further details
outlined on slide 15 of the accompanying slide pack.

Raised by	Question/Issue Raised	Response
Mitchell Taylor – CS Energy	Regarding FPP - In a previous session we talked about optimising the dispatch conformance system to reduce off-targets that are a result of providing PFR. Was there an update on this one?	AEMO is aware of instances where provision of PFR, particularly in response to a persistent frequency issue, can result in conformance messages being issued. A description of this will be provided at a future EWCF meeting

Project Energy Connect -Market Integration (PEC-MI)

 AEMO presented an indicative timeline and advised that AEMO has created a dedicated webpage for PEC-MI¹. AEMO provided information on activities that will be undertaken from 2023 through to 2026 and can be found on slide 18 on the accompanying slide pack and will update the timeline post PEC Industry Forum on Thursday 18 April 2024, 1pm. AEMO also requested any interested stakeholders who did not have an invite to the PEC Industry Forum to send their details to MEMReform@aemo.com.au so that they could be sent an invite.

Enhancing Reserve Information (ERI)

AEMO provided a brief background on activities associated with ERI. AEMO outlined the key
elements of the rule and outlined these implementation information and dates on slides 21 and 22 of
the accompanying slide pack.

Raised by	Question/Issue Raised	Response
Ron Logan – Shell Energy	As part of the Enhancing Reserves Information Rule Change final determination the AEMC asked AEMO to engage with participants to improve the accuracy and transparency around operational forecasting and LOR declarations. What does AEMO intend to	AEMO acknowledges the request made by the AEMC, and the submissions made during the rule consultation by stakeholders seeking improvements to transparency. Slide 22 of the meeting pack outlined AEMO's approach to addressing the request.

¹ https://aemo.com.au/initiatives/major-programs/project-energyconnect---market-integration-project



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	do and when will a consultation process to	Stakeholder feedback on the need for
	meet this obligation commence.	further engagement has been noted, and
		passed on directly to AEMO's managers
		for Operational Forecasting and
		Operations Planning.

Improving Security Frameworks (ISF)

 AEMO presented an overview of the ISF and outlined the final rule change on slides 25 and 26 of the accompanying slide pack.

4 Consultation Update

(Slide 27)

Not discussed.

5 Procedures Consultation Roadmap

(Slides 28-32)

 AEMO provided a Wholesale Electricity indicative Consultation Timeline with details outlined on slide 30 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition, AEMO provided details on inflight consultations with further details outlined on slide 31 of the accompanying slide pack.

6 NEM Wholesale Issues & Changes

(Slides 33-35)

ICF 002 – Time taken for Dispatch Targets to be made available to participants

 AEMO provided an update on the progress to date for ICF – 002. AEMO noted that a further update will be provided at the May meeting.

7 Other reforms (Slides 36-50)

IDAM, IDX & PC

 AEMO provided a verbal update for the Foundational & Strategic Initiatives. AEMO advised that the business case has now concluded and has been made final.

SCADA Lite

 AEMO provided a summary of the SCADA Lite release and function with detailed information outlined on slide 41 of the accompanying slide pack. Further information on SCADA lite is available on slides 40-45 of the accompanying slide pack.

Raised by	Question/Issue Raised	Response
Ron Logan – Shell Energy	Who will be charged to use SCADA Lite and how much will it cost?	AEMO has outlined the approach to recovering the costs of SCADA Lite through: • The cost of building the capability being recovered across registered participants as part of the NEM Reform funding



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		 Costs associated with individual participants will be charged directly to those participants
Liam McManus – Vena Energy	Can anyone opt in to use this service?	SCADA Lite is not a replacement for existing ICCP exchange, and is targeted to participants who currently are unable to exchange operational information with AEMO via NSPs.

ST PASA

- AEMO provided members with a brief update on the ST PASA Replacement project and the associated rule change
- AEMO noted that engagement activities with stakeholders will be established to mitigate impacts and challenges associated with the ST PASA rule change. A workshop was held on 15 April to update stakeholders on the project and to set out the options being considered. Participants are encouraged to send any feedback or submit questions to <u>STPASAReplacement@aemo.com.au by 30 April 2024</u>.

8 For noting (Slides 51-53)

Upcoming Engagements

Refer to slide 53.

9 General questions and other business

(Slides 54)

• Queries and feedback may be sent to MEMReform@aemo.com.au.

OPEN ACTION ITEMS

(Item = Meeting # – Agenda # – Reference)

Item	Topic	Action	Responsible
15.3.0.1	Frequency Performance Payments (FPP)	AEMO to provide an overview of the non-conformance with dispatch targets process, and instances where PFR can/has resulted in conformance messages being issued.	AEMO