

# Meeting Notes – B2B-WG

MEETING: Business-to-Business Working Group  
DATE: Monday, 15 February 2021  
TIME: 09:30am-12:00pm  
LOCATION: Teleconference  
MEETING #: 2  
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## ATTENDEES:

Name	Company
Meghan Bibby (Chair)	AEMO
Jordan Daly	AEMO
Michelle Norris	AEMO
Nandu Datar	AEMO
Noura Elhawary	AEMO
Mark Riley	AGL
Dino Ou	Endeavour Energy
Robert Lo Giudice	intelliHUB
Joe Castellano	Origin Energy
Helen Vassos	PLUS ES
Stefanie Monaco	Red/Lumo
David Woods	SA Power Networks
Aakash Sembey	Simply Energy
Adrian Honey	TasNetworks
Paul Greenwood	VectorAMS
Wayne Farrell	Yurika

## **PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

### **1.1 Apologies**

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) welcomed the B2B Working Group (B2B-WG) to the first meeting of 2021. Apologies were received from Christophe Bechia (Red/Lumo Energy), Robert Mitchell (EQ). Stefanie Monaco attended on behalf of Christophe Bechia.

Shaun Cupitt and Stephanie Lommi (Alinta) were not in attendance.

### **1.2 Confirm agenda**

The B2B-WG confirmed the agenda.

### **1.3 & 1.4 Action items from previous meeting and standing list of consultation items**

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) noted that the following items were closed since the last meeting:

<b>Action Meeting Date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Follow Up</b>
2001-01	Meghan Bibby and Jordan Daly (AEMO) to provide slides to summarise AEMO's procedure consultation rule change proposal for our stakeholder forums.	Meghan Bibby, Jordan Daly (AEMO)	By circular	Link circulated in ERCF meeting notes. Internal discussions ongoing as to whether there will be an information session provided by AEMO, contingent on AEMC progressing proposal.
2001-04	Mark Riley (AGL) to update diagram to reflect the 'No' flow and recirculate diagrams to B2B-WG.	Mark Riley (AGL)	By circular	Circulated offline.
2001-10	Meghan Bibby and Jordan Daly (AEMO) to recirculate prior NotifiedParty documents to B2B-WG for consideration in Issues Paper (EG: IEC paper).	Meghan Bibby, Jordan Daly (AEMO)	By circular	Circulated 01/02/2021
2001-11	Members to outwork details of track-changed Procedures for the proposal. The SO Procedure, B2B Guide and possibly OWN Procedure will need changes.	Aakash Sembey (Simply), Mark Riley (AGL), Christophe Bechia and Paul Greenwood (Vector)	By circular	Circulated 9/02/2021
2001-07	Joe Castellano (Origin) to tweak NameTitle ICFs regarding responsibility for updating and maintaining the list and submit documents to the IEC.	Joe Castellano (Origin)	Next meeting	Closed by circular

The following actions remain open:

<b>Action Meeting Date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Follow Up</b>
1311-02	Meghan Bibby (AEMO) to reach out to Stakeholder Relations to confirm change-marked procedures can be made more consistently available	Meghan Bibby, Jordan Daly (AEMO)	By circular	MB in discussion with Legal regarding setting a standard in an Internal Consultation Guideline.
0112-07	Dino Ou (Endeavour) to discuss whether NSW DBs are willing to adopt something similar to the SA process with regards to the LS 'None' issue.	Dino Ou (Endeavour)	By circular	Feedback received so far as of 15/02/2021 no appetite to change the process at the moment. Current process is either similar or provides better protection.
2001-02	Meghan Bibby and Jordan Daly (AEMO) to map B2B Procedure changes, similar to B2M	Meghan Bibby, Jordan Daly (AEMO)	By circular	JD working on this on an ongoing basis.

Action Meeting Date	Description	Responsible	Date	Follow Up
2001-03	Jordan Daly (AEMO) to provide timeframes on B2B v3.5 changes as soon as they become available	Meghan Bibby, Jordan Daly (AEMO)	By circular	Indicative dates provided verbally and in meeting notes. Waiting on further information from AEMO IT.
2001-06	B2B-WG members to look into the ASWG change process and whether it's suitable for the NameTitle ICFs.	B2B-WG	Next meeting	For discussion later in Feb meeting
2001-08	B2B-WG members to look into other fields tied to an AS with an enumerated list and how to ensure they're kept up to date.	B2B-WG	Next meeting	Ongoing low-priority item.
2001-09	Mark Riley (AGL) and David Woods (SAPN) to map out the process of managing the respective lists and the Technical Specifications with respect to updating the ICF and accommodating for the ASWG change process.	Mark Riley (AGL), David Woods (SAPN)	Next meeting	Ongoing. Update to be provided offline or in March meeting
2001-12	Nandu Datar and Noura Elhawary (AEMO) to set up skeleton Issues Paper for B2B-WG members to fill out.	Nandu Datar and Noura Elhawary (AEMO)	By circular	Being outworked offline. Paper proposed to be released 13 April - timeframes updated in February meeting slides.
2001-13	B2B-WG to decide whether to propose specific implementation dates for the proposed change in the Issues Paper or whether to leave this open-ended as a question for respondents.	B2B-WG	Next meeting	To be confirmed once more Issues Paper content is finalised

It was noted that the B2B v3.5 IT update (regarding indicative timeframes) was as follows:

- Proposal going through ASWG review process & schema being outworked by IT
- Indicative dates:
  - Weds 10 Nov – prod date
  - Early Oct – pre-prod
  - Mid-September – staging

The following items are on the standing list of consultation items. Implementation dates to be consulted on in the April Issues Paper:

Issue	To be included in what B2B Procedures version?	Status	Notes
Wholesale Demand Response	WDR Consultation	4 - Ready for consultation	Consultation underway
NPN Notification Status allowed values	Next version	2 - Requirements determined, content in development	Dependent on outcomes of Coincident SO discussions.
Unstructured site address ICF	Next version	4 - Ready for consultation	To be included in next consultation.

Issue	To be included in what B2B Procedures version?	Status	Notes
DP and Section Number ICF	Next version	4 - Ready for consultation	To be included in next consultation.
NameTitle ICF	Next version	2 - Requirements determined, content in development	Received by AEMO 25/11/2020. To be reviewed by B2B-WG & IEC.
Life Support 'None' Issue	Next version	2 - Requirements determined, content in development	Being discussed by B2B-WG

A discussion of the April B2B consultation occurred:

- Schema change reliant on AEMO release cycle.
- Procedure change effective date dependent on B2B-WG discussion, expected to differ between ICFs (IE: different ICFs will have different implementation dates).
- The change pack will be outworked between now and early March and provided to the IEC via circular. The delay is to allow other issues currently under discussion at the B2B-WG time to be completed and submitted to the IEC for approval to include in the change pack.

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION OR NOTING**

### **2.1 Life Support – None - Mark Riley (AGL)**

Mark Riley (AGL) has drafted processes for churn and reconciliation, with process mapping circulated as per action register.

Discussion:

- Dino Ou (Endeavour) stated the benefit was unclear for distributors and changing processes may not be worthwhile. The NER define obligations and there are different interpretations of them.
- Mark Riley (AGL) requested an indication of how many LSRs are received where there's no RPO

Action:

- Networks to provide a copy of their processes as well as an indication of how many LSRs are received with no RPO. To be discussed between Mark Riley (AGL) and Dino Ou (Endeavour) offline to feed into Life Support – 'None' issue. Update to be provided by circular.

### **2.2 Name Title ICFs – Joe Castellano (Origin)**

Discussion:

- David Woods (SAPN) voiced his support for consistency with the Australian Standards or a particular year or moving to an industry-based standard

Mark Riley (AGL) indicated gas/electricity refer to AS4590, a lot of electricity refers to AS4590-1999. 1999 and 2020 Standards have some significant differences. CDR isn't linked to an Australian Standard. This addresses agenda item 3.1

- AS usually adds enumerations rather than removing them – inconsistencies may not lead to a rejection
- Stefanie Monaco (Red/Lumo): ASWG managing this may be preferable
- David Woods (SAPN): Gas evolves with the AS, consistent with each current year.
- Meghan Bibby (AEMO) noted that the schema doesn't reflect the AS – it's a free-text field.
- David Woods (SAPN) indicated a preference that covers the AS across the board rather than addressing inconsistencies with certain fields (such as NameTitle)
  - Meghan Bibby (AEMO): Moving forward with the NameTitle ICF and outworking further AS changes could be scoped with questions in the Issues Paper
  - Joe Castellano (Origin) indicated a preference for progressing this ICF

#### Actions:

- A table comparing 1999 and 2020 Australian Standards for Name Title to be circulated to B2B-WG by Mark Riley (AGL). Closed during meeting.
- NameTitle ICF to be updated to refer to AS4590-2020 specifically and sent to IEC for consideration by Joe Castellano (Origin).

### 2.3 NotifiedParty Consultation

#### Discussion of Helen's ICF:

- Helen Vassos (PLUS ES) noted that the intent of the NP field is to notify DBs of de-ens, now its scope is being expanded – not all the required statuses for SOs are built into it. Cancelling SOs hasn't been built and won't raise an NPN. Preference to include ack/nacks
- Aakash Sembey (Simply) prefers a minimalist approach and a clear use case to be made, not expanding the scope of change. Dino Ou (Endeavour) and Paul Greenwood (Vector) agreed. These are edge cases that can be managed – low volume. DB/MP should take action on a request, not on subsequent ACKs/NACKS. Prefer not to have the ICF and the coincident logic change timeframes linked.
- Joe Castellano (Origin) stated 'A cancellation transaction has its own Accept/Reject workflow which would also need to be considered, and since the outcome (was the service order request cancelled or not) is communicated in the service order completion response'
- Paul Greenwood (Vector): In hindsight, the NP transaction were designed from the ground up, this would be fine but the proposal doesn't justify a schema change.
- Meghan Bibby (AEMO): 3 key areas of change
  - Mark/Christophe/Paul/Aakash's outworked proposal
  - Helen Vassos' communication of ACKs/NACKS/cancellation (2 elements)
- Stefanie Monaco: 'Being on the same page is a very good idea. Maybe Dino should join the working group'
  - Mark Riley (AGL) concurred, stated dot-point examples be outworked.
- Paul Greenwood (Vector): 'The principle is to leverage the current logic'

- Stefanie Monaco (Red/Lumo): 'One other note from me: If it's too complicated, it won't work. But between Dino and Mark, it'll mean all the scenarios and 1%ers are covered.'
- Aakash Sembey (Simply): Schema change undesirable, procedure change preferred to be delivered ASAP.
  - It was agreed that the consultation would determine implementation dates/timeframes or would canvas for them.
  - Meghan Bibby (AEMO) stated that, assuming 6 months implementation headway, the earliest implementation date would be in early 2022. Late 2022 is another option to present if DB system changes need to occur.
  - Stefanie Monaco (Red/Lumo) asked if 'this be dealt with in the AEMO roadmap discussion on 23 Feb?' – Meghan Bibby (AEMO) stated was unsure if this could occur, but could be taken to the IEC.
- Version tables to be provided as part of B2B consultation

Actions:

- B2B-WG to provide examples, use cases and feedback to the NP subgroup by COB Thursday 18/2/21.
- Use cases & Procedures to be outworked and described for B2B-WG review by subgroup. Aakash Sembey (Simply), Dino Ou (Endeavour), Mark Riley (AGL), Paul Greenwood (Vector), Christophe Bechia (Red/Lumo).
- Discussion to occur with Reg team regarding NotifiedParty Transaction proposals and B2B changes being floated at next AEMO Roadmap discussion on 23 February. Meghan Bibby & Michelle Norris (AEMO).

### **3 OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **3.1 AS4590 – Mark Riley (AGL)**

Mark Riley (AGL) spoke to this as part of item 2.2.

- CDR appears to be not associated with an Australian Standard. B2B-WG not outworking CDR and feedback should be directed to Treasury.
- CDR transactions will have to be translated back-and-forth, but this is outside of the remit of the B2B-WG.

#### **3.2 Actions, next meeting / meeting close**

Jordan Daly (AEMO) informed the B2B-WG of the actions generated at this meeting. These are reflected in the Action register. The next B2B-WG meeting is 22 March 2021. Meeting by circular to occur to discuss B2B Issues Paper – timeframes are available in the slides.

Mark Riley (AGL) to represent B2B-WG at next IEC meeting. Failing that, David Woods (SAPN) is a backup option.

Actions were taken:

- Lenard Bull (AEMO) to get back to Aakash Sembey (Simply) regarding whether the new event code "De-energisation Not Completed Due To A Remote Re-energisation" would require a new schema or it can be added in the non-versioned enumerations file?