



ERCF Meeting

16 December 2021

AEMO Competition Law Meeting Protocol

Before we start this meeting, an important notice relating to *compliance with Competition Law*

We must not discuss, or reach or give effect to any agreement or understanding which relates to:

- Pricing
- Targeting (or not targeting) customers
- Tendering processes
- Sharing competitively sensitive information
- Breaching confidentiality obligations

Each entity must make an independent and unilateral decision about its commercial positions

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

Online forum housekeeping

1. Please mute your microphone, this helps with audio quality as background noises distract from the information being shared.
2. Video is optional, but having it turned off helps with performance and minimises distractions.
3. We ask that you utilise the Chat function for any questions or comments you may have. This aids note keeping and keeps discussions flowing smoothly.
4. Raise your hand if you wish to speak to an item. This keeps conversations orderly.
5. If you have dialled in via phone, please email ercf@aemo.com.au your name and organisation for our records.
6. If your name appears abbreviated on Teams, please add your name and organisation to the chat for our records.
7. Be respectful of all participants and the process.

Agenda

No	Indicative Timing	Topic	Responsible
1	9:30am-9:40am	Welcome	Blaine Miner (AEMO)
2	9:40am-9:50am	Actions Update	Blaine Miner (AEMO)
3	9:50am-10:30am	Proposed Changes to the ERCF Change Process	Blaine Miner (AEMO)
4	10:30am-10:40am	ICF Register Update	Jordan Daly (AEMO)
6	10:40am-10:50am	Consultations Update	Jordan Daly (AEMO)
7	10:50am-11:15am	Subgroup update - Incorrect Assignment of MC	Dino Ou (Endeavour) & Helen Vassos (PlusES)
8	11:15am-11:30pm	General business, actions & next meeting	Blaine Miner (AEMO)

Actions Update

Blaine Miner (AEMO)

Closed Actions

Item	Topic	Action	Responsible	Outcome
2511-01	MSDR/MCPI scope for 1 May 2022	Helen asked if the Meter Manufacturer/Model list can be used now. Meghan to confirm.	Meghan Bibby (AEMO)	Meghan has confirmed that it can be used now.
2511-04	Transposed Meters	Subgroup to be formed.	Jordan Daly (AEMO)	Additional information has been requested from Red/Lumo prior to forming the subgroup.
2511-05	NCONUML GPS Location (ICF_057)	Subgroup to be formed.	Jordan Daly (AEMO)	Subgroup has been formed; meeting to be held on 17 December 2021.
2511-06	Incorrect nomination of contestable MC	Subgroup to be formed.	Jordan Daly (AEMO)	Subgroup has been formed; meeting held on 10 December 2021.

Open Actions

Item	Topic	Action	Responsible	Update
2511-02	Embedded Network Codes (ICF_055)	Dino Ou (Endeavour) to submit his CIP to AEMO for further consideration.	Dino Ou (Endeavour)	Matter currently on hold.
2511-03	Clarification of End Date in Inventory Table	Mark Riley (AGL) to review drafting and update to present to industry	Mark Riley (AGL)	Mark currently redrafting the ICF.
N/A	Incorrect nomination of contestable MC	AEMO Metering to review the proposal.	Jackie Krizmanic & David Ripper (AEMO)	Currently being reviewed. System issues should be solved by 16/12, cutting number of erroneous reports by half.

Proposed Changes to the ERCF Change Process

Blaine Miner (AEMO)

Proposed Changes to the Issue/Change Form (ICF) Template

- AEMO has reviewed the ICF template to ensure it effectively supports the ERCF Change Process
- One of the key considerations of the review was the Proponent's ability to provide requested information at a suitable standard
- As a result of the review, AEMO is proposing for the template to now include the following items:
 - A detailed understanding of the Issue/change being requested, including:
 - How long the issue has existed e.g. recently discovered/introduced, 1-2yrs, 2-5yrs, 5+yrs
 - A detailed understanding of the impact on their organisation
 - Quantification of the impact on their organisation
 - Any workarounds which they have implemented to manage the issue
 - What Participant engagement has occurred to date
 - Who and what feedback they have received
 - An initial high-level AEMO and Industry impact assessment
 - e.g. High impact, the issue is likely having a significant impact on multiple Participants
 - The likely benefits and impacts to AEMO, Participants and/or customers associated to the resolution of this issue
 - Any critical timelines or Rules which should be considered
 - An initial description of any proposed changes
- Note, if a Proponent does not provide the above information, AEMO will return the ICF to the Proponent for further drafting

AEMO/Industry Initiated Change Cycles

- Context
 - Participants have voiced their concerns regarding the amount of change they have had to accommodate in recent years i.e. 'change fatigue'
 - AEMO recognises the amount of regulatory change which has been approved, or which is in train, which will continue to impact AEMO and Industry over the coming years
- Proposal
 - AEMO is proposing to limit AEMO/Industry initiated change implementations to twice per year
 - Noting that the current ERCF Change Process only allows for annual prioritisation, section 2.7:
 - "Each year, AEMO will table a proposed prioritisation strategy and a list of initiatives from the Change Log with the ERCF for consideration."
- AEMO acknowledges that certain changes i.e. to support new Rule requirements may need to occur outside of these designated cycles
- Change cycle allocation considerations
 - Consultation requirements/timings
 - Other changes happening in the Industry in parallel
 - AEMO and Industry system/process implementation timelines
- Feedback being sought
 - Is the ERCF supportive of this approach?
 - When should the 2 cycles occur, being conscious of summer peaks and Dec/Jan 'shutdowns'?

AEMO/Industry Initiated Change Cycles

- Hypothetical timings, assumes the consultation needs to comply with NER 8.9 - Rules Consultation Procedures i.e. 2 full consultations:
 - Proposed change effective/implementation date: **Nov 2022**
 - Consultation commencement: by 31 March 2022
 - Final Determination published: by 31 July 2022
 - Proposed change effective/implementation date: **1 April 2023**
 - **Attempting to shift the Final Determinations to pre-Dec/Jan breaks**
 - Consultation commencement: by 15 August 2022
 - Final Determination published: by 15 December 2023
 - Proposed change effective/implementation date: **1 Oct 2023**
 - Consultation commencement: by 31 February 2022
 - Final Determination published: by 31 June 2022
- AEMO would endeavour to include any minor amendment consolidation consultations into these cycles
- For easy reference: NER 8.9 - Rules Consultation Procedures:
 - Initial Notice published
 - Submissions close: **not to be less** than 25 business days
 - Draft Report published: **not more than** a further 20 business days
 - Submissions to the Draft close: **not to be less** than 10 business days
 - Final Determination published: **not more than** a further 30 business days

ICF Register Update

Jordan Daly (AEMO)

ICF Register

Issue/Change Title	Short Description	Proponent	ICF Ref#	Current Status/Update
NMI Status Updates	Proposes more explicit obligations regarding LNSPs reflecting NMI status energisations/de-energisations in MSATS regardless of the mechanism that triggered the status and this trigger point being from when LNSPs are advised of said status.	Helen Vassos (PLUS ES)	052	On hold, pending further information and feedback.
Clarifying when an embedded network code must be issued	Clarifying EN interpretations of the relevant clause, so the clauses are applicable regardless of the Distributor's embedded network application process.	Dino Ou (Endeavour)	055	On hold, pending further information and feedback.
Clarification of End Date in Inventory Table	Some MDPs are using NCONUML Inventory Table End Date to identify when the metering data is last calculated, updating it each month. Proposal is to clarify the end-date be when there is a change to consumption or abolishment. If not, the End Date should be reflected as 31.12.9999.	Mark Riley (AGL)	056	Feedback from previous meetings incorporated into ICF.

ICF Register

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NCONUML GPS Location	Some customers cannot confirm ownership of or locate unmetered assets. Proposal is to introduce 7-decimal point GPS obligations for NCONUML meters. M for Greenfield, R for Brownfield sites, which would also help with sample testing.	Aakash Sembey (Origin)	057	Further information requested. Subgroup meeting 17/12.
RPERR3 Compliance Report	Since 1 October 2021, when the CR1xxx objections for the MC nomination was removed, the number of NMI's appearing in the RPERR3 report has increased significantly. Proposal is to make the report go to the FRMP, who nominate MCs.	Dino Ou (Endeavour)	058	Further information requested.

Consultations Update

Jordan Daly (AEMO)

Consultations Update

Consultation Title	Inclusions	Key Timings	Comment/Update
Retail Electricity Procedures Consultation (REMP) October 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MCPI - MSDR - CIPs 042, 045, 046, 048, 049, 050, 053 and Clarifications for WIGS and Connection Configuration - Consolidations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Determination published Mon 6 Dec 21 - Submissions close Tues 21 Dec 21 - Final Determination to be published By Monday 31 Jan 22 	Consultation page here .
MSATS Standing Data Review Implementation Date Minor Amendment Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MSDR to be delayed into May and November 2022 implementations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submissions close Friday 17 Dec 21 - Final Report published by Fri 4 Feb 2022 	Consultation page here .
TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Access, pricing and incentive arrangements for DER - CDR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Initial notice to be published by Fri 31 Jan 22 	Minimal impact expected.

Subgroup Updates

Proponents

Incorrect Assignment of the MC Update

Proponent - Helen Vassos (PlusES)

- Issue/Change:
 - Incorrectly nominated MCs need to request another party (either the FRMP or the correct MC) to initiate a transaction in MSATS to resolve the incorrect assignment of the MC role.
- Impact:
 - The request to correct the MC role is done manually and via email which impacts FTE requirements.
- Participant engagement to date
 - Raised at ERCF on 24 November 2021
- Proposed solution
 - For the RPERR3 report to be sent to participants who are able to directly make the required correction.
- Potential solution benefits and impacts
 - Benefits: Reduction of FTE effort for the incorrectly nominated MC.
 - Impacts: Increased FTE requirement for the resolving party.
- Status/update
 - **Dino/Helen to provide an update at the meeting**

General Business

Blaine Miner, AEMO

General Business

- Proposing to shift the meeting from 27 Jan 2022 to early Feb 2022, so we can provide an update to the ERCF re the various Final Determinations.
 - ICFs, CIPs and papers due date dependent on agreed next meeting date.
 - Future meeting dates are in the Stakeholder Meetings calendar on AEMO's website [here](#).
- Actions and questions?
- We require position titles and mobile numbers for additions to our CRM.
- Merry Christmas!