

Gas Retail Consultative Forum

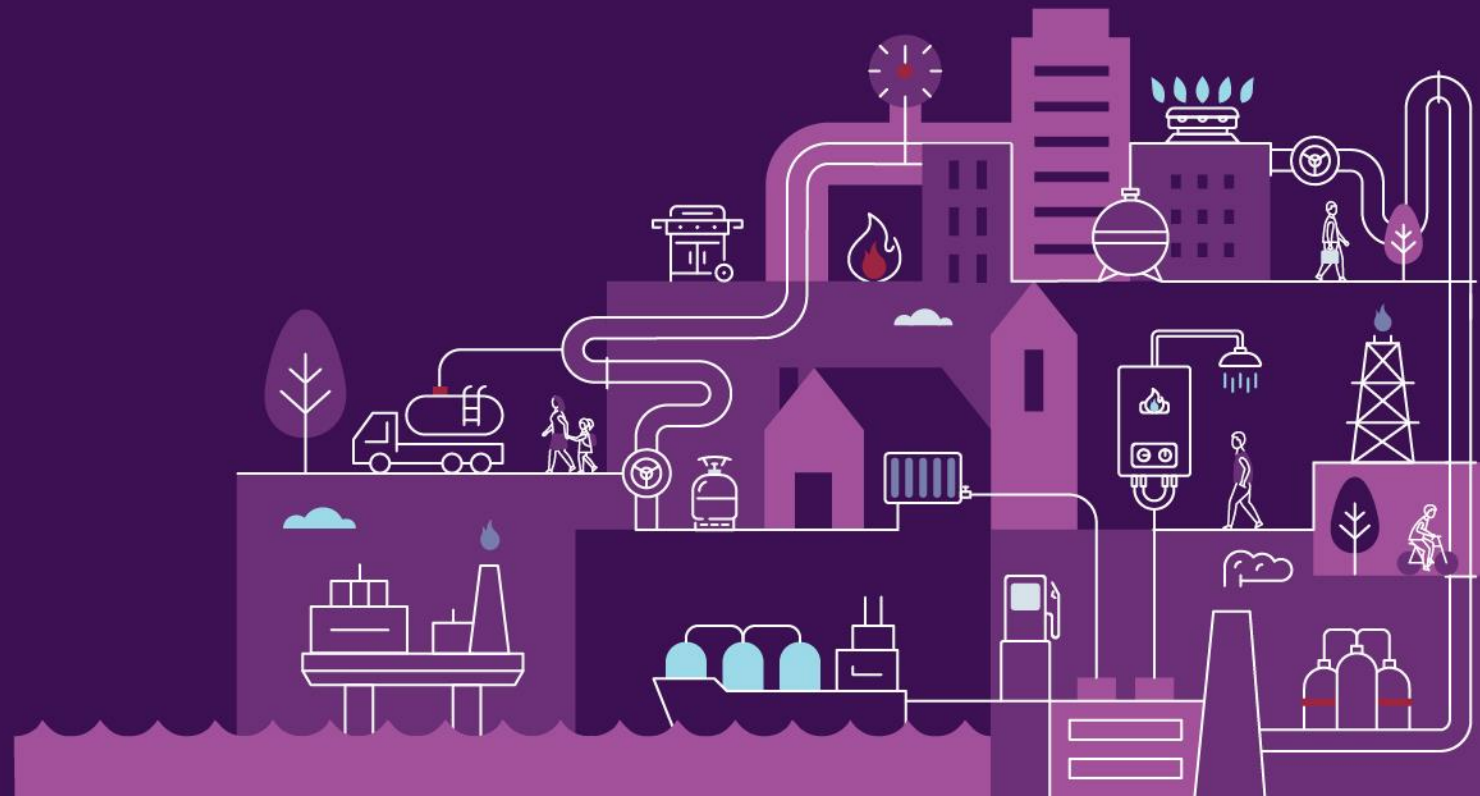


Meeting # 159

Wednesday 17 April 2024

1:00pm Melbourne time

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GRCF Agenda #159 *

Date & Time: Wednesday 17th April 2024 @ 13:00 – 16:00

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#	~Time	Session Topic	Topic Presenter
1	13:00 – 13:05	Confirm Agenda	Danny McGowan (AEMO)
2	13:05 – 13:15	Previous minutes and action items	Danny McGowan (AEMO)
3	13:15 – 13:30	Issue / Change Register & Retail Consultation Calendar	Danny McGowan (AEMO)
4	13:30 – 13:35	Retail Consultation Calendar	Danny McGowan (AEMO)
5	13:35 - 13:55	2024 Package 1: GMI - IN002/24 - Resolving issues with meter status in MDNs & collated GRCF responses to questionnaire	Louise Webb (AEMO) / Mario logha (Origin)
6	13:55 – 14:15	Proposed new 2024 Package 1: GMI - IN004/22 - Proposed Improvements to Network Tariff B2B Notification	Danny McGowan (AEMO) / Marc Flynn (Jemena)
7	14:15 – 14:35	Participant Survey to supplement future AEMO annual prioritisations	Danny McGowan (AEMO) / Mario logha (Origin)
8	14:35 – 14:40	Other Business 1. Victorian HVZ Transition Update 2. AEMO's Gas Market Overview courses	Louise Webb (AEMO) / Danny McGowan (AEMO)
9	14:40 – 14:45	Next meeting	Danny McGowan (AEMO)
10^	14:45 – 16:00	2024 Package 1: GMI – IN002/22 Gas Estimation & Substitution Codes – Detailed GRCF review of proposed Substitution and Estimation Codes	Mark Riley (AGL)

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1. Confirm agenda
2. Previous minutes and action items



Danny McGowan
AEMO

1- Confirm agenda

- Refer slide 4.

2a - Accept previous minutes - # 158 (18 March 2024)

- Please refer to item ref#2 in meeting pack.

2b - Action items

- Please refer to item ref#2 in meeting pack.

Action

Discuss

Action

Decision

Action

Discuss



3. Issue/Change Register

4. Retail Consultation Calander

Danny McGowan
AEMO

3 – Issue/Change Register

1. **Added, completed and withdrawn** items to register since last GRCF meeting.
- Please also refer to item ref#3 in meeting pack

Update to register	IN# & Description
Items added (0)	Nil
Items Completed (0)	Nil
Items Withdrawn (0)	Nil

3 – Issue/Change Register

2. Completed consultation and awaiting implementation.

- Please also refer to item ref#3 in meeting pack

Work Package	IN# & Description	Go Live	Consultation Link
2023 -#3A Vic ZHV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IN007/22 - Modifications to HVZs and the HV information that AEMO provides 	1 st May 2024	Link
2023-#3B Vic Renewable Gas Integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IN007/21 - Victorian Hydrogen integration IN017/22 - VIC RMPs changes pertaining to HB Distribution Connected facilities IN007/23 - Review DDS and market definition. IN016/22 - Add explanation in the RMP about the regulatory framework and coverage for the Vic RMPs 	1 st May 2024	Link
2023-#5 RoLR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IN002/23 – Adding additional fields to the existing T1010 RoLR file IN003/23 – Update SA RMP IN012/22 - T1005 transaction IN009/22 - RoLR Provisions IN008/17 - SA RoLR Process Flows IN008/20 - Section 2.1.17 of the ICD 	1 st May 2024	Link

3 – Issue/Change Register

3. Consultations In Progress

- Please also refer to item ref#3 in meeting pack

Work Package	IN # & Description	Status	Consultation Link
2023 #6 WA changes	IN009/20W - 'Auditor's deed of undertaking' typographical error IN002/22W - Issue with WA participant deregistration IN002/23W - Minor documentation errors with WA Technical Protocol IN001/24W - Correct clause numbering in Appendix 2 of WA RMP	PPC issued on 11 th April 2024. Feedback due 26 th April 2024.	Link

3 – Issue/Change Register

4. Emerging Consultations – **Second half of 2024**

- Please also refer to item ref#3 in meeting pack

Work Package	IN # & Description	Status	Target Consultation Start Date
2023 #4 Renewable Gas Integration (non VIC and WA)	IN006/23 - Renewable Gas Integration for STTM and Non STTM markets. Effective 3 March 2025 See AEMC final rule change: Review into extending the regulatory frameworks to hydrogen and renewable gases AEMC	AEMO has commenced a detail review of the SA, NSW/ACT and QLD RMPs.	AEMO targeting issuing PPC in August 2024

3 – Issue/Change Register

5. Emerging Consultations – **Second half of 2024**

- Please also refer to item ref#3 in meeting pack

Work Package	IN # & Description	Status	Target Consultation Start Date
2024 #1 - B2B Change	IN001/24 - Adjustment of Address field lengths to align with AS 4590 and Electricity changes	NEM ERCF Subgroup feedback has been requested on guiding principles and critical fields for a May 2024 consultation. Feedback requested by 19 th April 2024.	TBA
	IN002/22- Update Gas Estimation / Substitution Reason Codes	Topic for GRCF discussion in Agenda Item 10	
	IN002/24 - Resolve inconsistencies on how the meter status is populated in Meter Data Notification (MDN)	Topic for GRCF discussion in Agenda Item 5	
	IN005/24 - Inclusion of Contract MDQ in Gas RoLR Transaction Customer and Site Details from FRB to RoLR (T1010)	No further update	

3 – Issue/Change Register

6. Emerging Consultations – **Second half of 2024** (continued)

- Please also refer to item ref#3 in meeting pack

Work Package	IN # & Description	Status	Target Consultation Start Date
2024 #2 - RMP changes that are minor non-controversial corrections.	IN011/13 - Non-DTS Metering	Not started.	TBA
	IN006/20 - Definition of a Customer		
	IN003/24 - Participant Build Pack 2 (i) Glossary (ii) Usage Guide - Possible duplications		
	IN004/24 - Participant Build Pack 2 - Glossary should be updated with entries for BAR and GRMS		
	IN015/22 - Harmonise the definition of Heating Value within east coast RMP		
	IN019/13 – Removal of conduct provision in Procedures		
	IN001/21W - Redrafting WA RMP clause 32 - Error Correction Notice		

3 – Issue/Change Register

5. **Specific updates** - Please refer to the register for specific updates to each item since the last GRCF meeting. The updates are shown in **orange text**.

6. **Any questions** in relation to the register.

5. 2024 Package 1 -GMI - IN002/24 - Resolving issues with meter status in MDNs



Mario Iogha (Origin)

GMI - IN002/24 - Resolving issues with meter status in MDNs

Action

Decision



Please also refer to item ref#4a and 4a in meeting pack. 4c will provide collated GRCF feedback and will be distributed as a late paper.

- This GMI relates to detection and proposed remediation of inconsistent determination/population of 'Meter Status' in an MDN transaction across East Coast Gas markets and Western Australia

- This GMI specifically proposes:

1. All East Coast Gas and Western Australian Gas Retail Market Participants adopt population of the Meter Status in an MDN Transaction as per Approach A in the GMI. i.e.

Where an MDN is provided, the Allowed Value populated in 'Meter Status' field must reflect the status of the meter that was effective As At the date and time the associated Meter Read was taken and/or attempted to be taken.

In the case of an MDN taken as part of a De-Energisation, the Meter Status should reflect the status after the successful De-energisation.

In the case of an MDN taken as part of a Re-Energisation, the Meter Status should reflect the status after the successful Re-energisation.

2. AEMO Build Packs to be updated in all instances a MDN transaction OR Meter Status is referenced

- A GRCF Questionnaire and updated GMI distributed to GRCF on 2nd April 2024. Updated GMI resent on the 8th April 2024. GRCF feedback requested by the 15th April.
- GRCF GMI Questionnaire responses to be discussed in GRCF #159

Matters for the GRCF to consider.

1. Review GRCF Questionnaire responses
2. Confirm preferred solution

GMI - IN002/24 – Collated GRCF Questionnaire Responses

Please also refer to item ref#4c of meeting pack (late paper)

- AEMO received x9 GRCF responses to ‘Questionnaire: GMI IN002-24 Resolve issue with Meter Status in MDN’.
 - x1 GRCF response indicated no response to Questionnaire would be provided (Shell)
 - x1 GRCF response indicated further time required to complete analysis/questionnaire (AGN)
- In summary, across x7 GRCF responses:
 - Majority general support for the GMI proposal except for x1 GRCF response (MGN)
 - Majority general support for Approach A except for x1 GRCF response (MGN)
 - Varying support in how Approach A should be represented in AEMO artefacts:
 - x1 GRCF response supported Option 1 (EA)
 - x1 GRCF response supported Option 2 (Red/Lumo)
 - x4 GRCF responses supported Option 3 (Synergy, GloBird, Alinta, Jemena)
 - x1 GRCF response supported no Option (MGN)
 - General support for proposed explanatory note with additional wording proposed (Jemena) to cover abolishment / meter removal scenarios and consideration to proposed change to apply from an effective date
 - Little/no system change impacts with the exception of x2 GRCF responses indicating high system impacts (Jemena & MGN) and x1 GRCF response indicating no capacity to implement changes in 2024 (MGN)

6. GMI N004/22 - Proposed Improvements to Network Tariff B2B Notification



Marc Flynn (Jemena)

GMI IN004/22 - Proposed Improvements to Network Tariff B2B Notification

Action
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Please also refer to item ref#5 in meeting pack.

- Jemena Gas Networks is proposing a change to support improvement of the network tariff information provided to retailers in B2B transactions.
- Subject to GRCF endorsement, this GMI is a potential candidate to be included in 2024 Package 1 program of work**

Impacted Jurisdictions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NSW/ACT (excluding Wagga Wagga/Tamworth)
Schema updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> aseXML Element Name: 'DistributionTariff' New Allowed Values for NSW/ACT: 'Demand', 'Volume', 'Volume High', 'Volume Boundary'
AEMO Transaction updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MIRN Discovery Response (281) MIRN Standing Data Response B2B Transactions (284)
AEMO Procedure updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participant Build Pack 5 (NSW/ACT) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 281 – Section 5.9 284 - Section 5.5 Appendix D - an additional row for DistributionTariff be added including the Allowed Values of "Volume", "Volume High", Volume Boundary" and "Demand".

Matters for the GRCF NSW/ACT participants to consider.

- Confirm initiative IN004/22 can be added to 2024 Package 1 program of work.
- Confirm change request can be submitted to ASWG

7. Participant Survey to supplement future AEMO annual prioritisations

Daniel McGowan (AEMO)

Participant Survey to supplement future AEMO annual prioritisations

Action

Decision



Please also refer to item ref#6 in meeting pack.

- As per Action 156.5.1, AEMO and Mario logha (Origin) took action to draft a strawman survey for future GRCF annual prioritisations
- The survey is illustrated on slide 22.
- It is proposed:
 - Survey to be optional for GRCF representatives to complete.
 - Details in terms of feedback cover:
 - Your organisations capacity to deliver on initiatives that require system change
 - Details about any existing initiatives that your organisation considers are worthwhile candidates to progress
 - Survey responses to be collated by AEMO and made available to GRCF representatives

Participant survey to supplement AEMO's assessment process in relation to the following years GRCF program of work.

Section 3 - Existing initiatives that your organisation considers worthy candidates to progress next year

Complete this section if your organisation has identified any existing initiatives that your organisation considers that the industry will be highly beneficial to industry as a whole and those benefits will outweigh any costs to implement and your organisation considers that the initiative will be a candidate to progress in the following years GRCF program of work. Important: Please copy the relevant details from the register into the first two columns in the table below and incorporate the two questions in the adjacent columns.

Short Description	Short details from farm register	Short details about why your organisation believes the benefits will outweigh the work	Provide further information as to why your organisation considers that the initiative will be highly beneficial to industry as a whole and those benefits will outweigh any costs to implement and your organisation considers that the initiative will be a candidate to progress in the following years GRCF program of work.
	Short details from farm register	Short details about why your organisation believes the benefits will outweigh the work	Short details about why your organisation believes the benefits will outweigh the work

Participant survey to supplement AEMO's assessment process in relation to the following years GRCF program of work.

Section 2 - Your organisations capacity to deliver on initiatives that require system changes.

Complete this section for AEMO to consider your organisations capacity to deliver on initiatives that require system change.

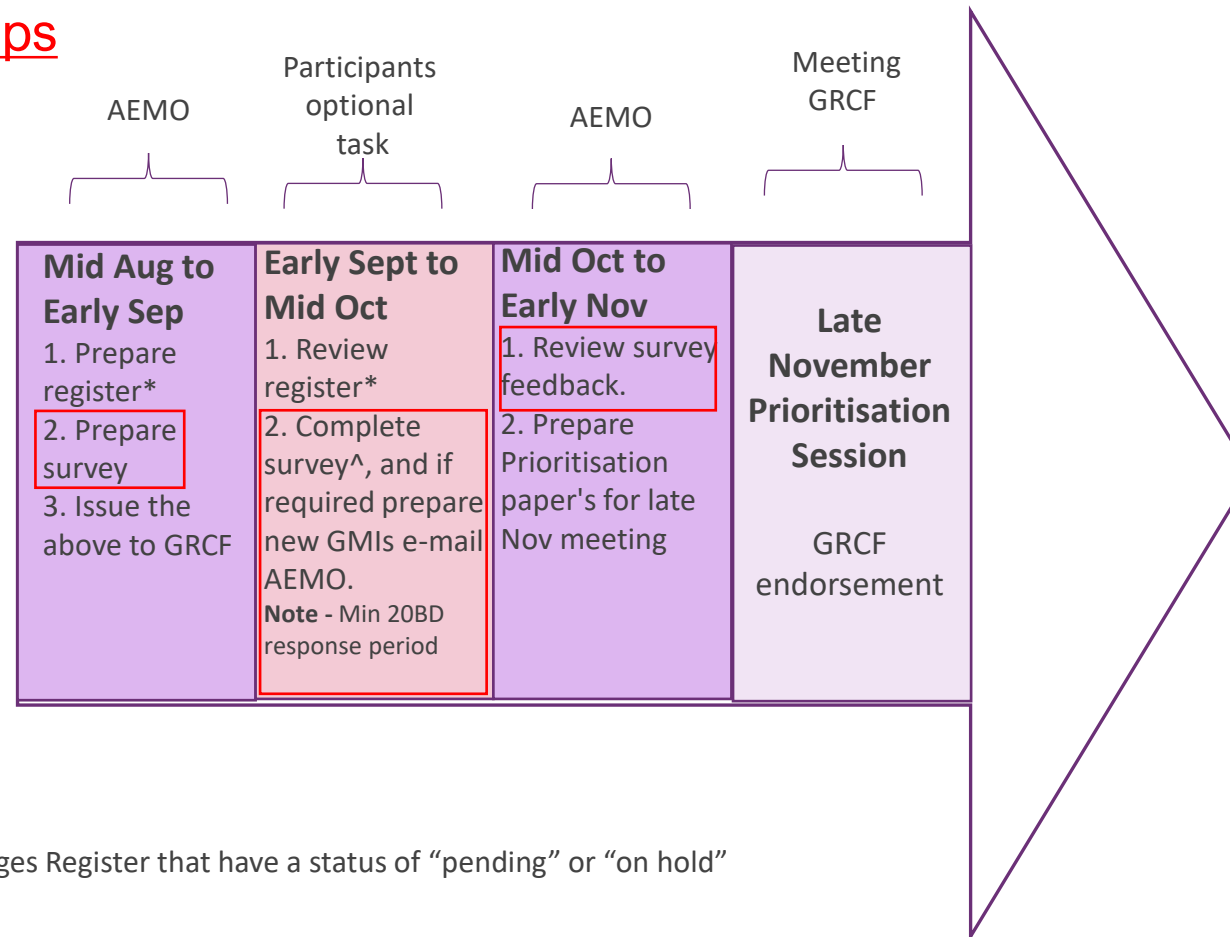
Question	Participant Response
1. Is your organisation receptive to initiatives that require system changes next year?	
2. What capacity does your organisation have to make system changes? Consider the magnitude of change involved by Small, Medium, Large (or schema upgrade)	
3. Is there a specific time during the year that you would want AEMO to consider for initiatives that require system change	

Matters for the GRCF to consider.

1. Indication of support or otherwise to adopt the survey as proposed.

GRCF Prioritisation Timeline – Late Nov meeting.

Includes new survey steps



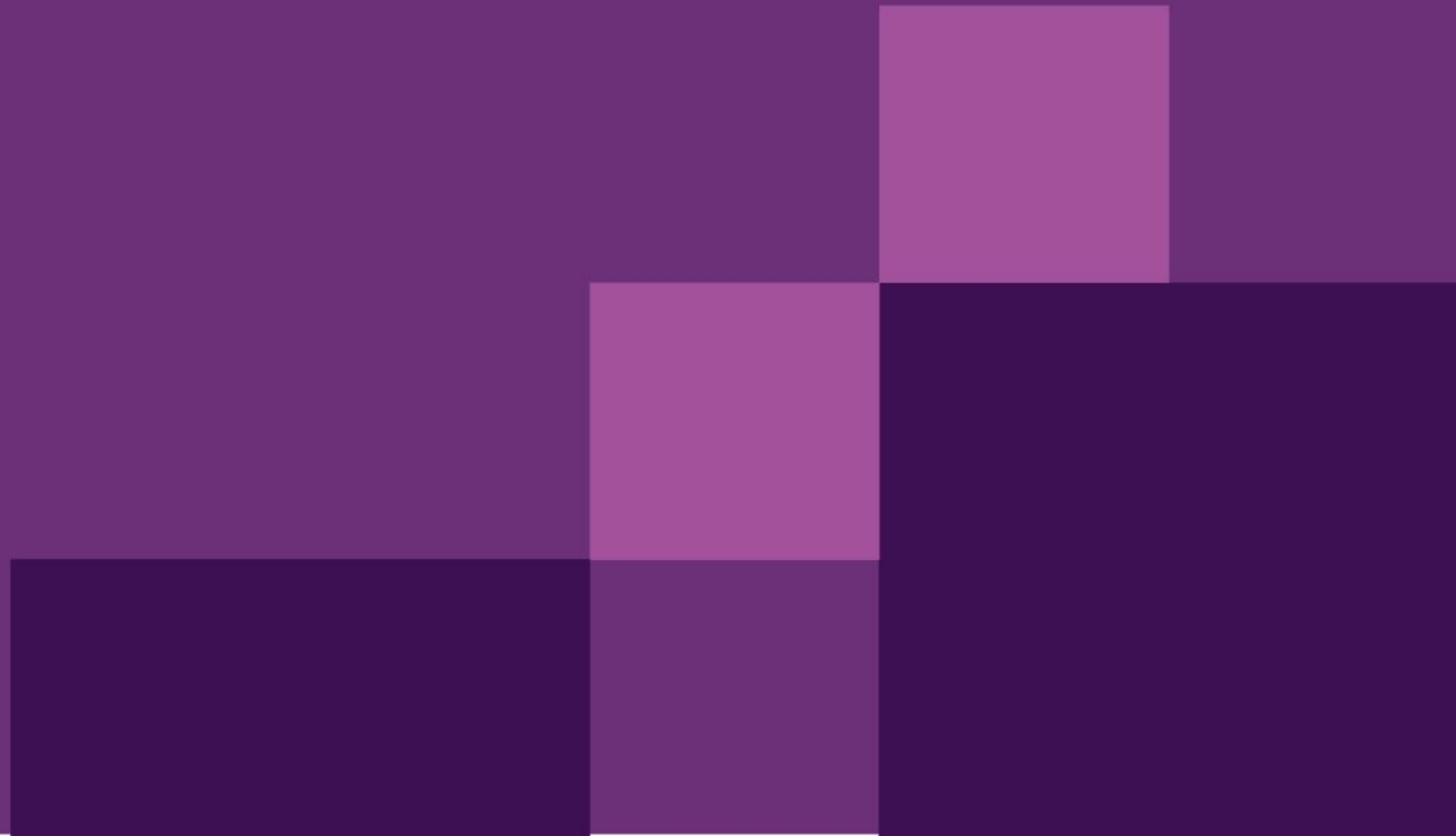
* = Extract from the Retail Market Issue / Changes Register that have a status of “pending” or “on hold”

^ = completing survey is optional

= AEMO task = Participant task (optional)

= GRCF Meeting = New steps

8. Other Business



8. Other Business

#	Topic	Speaker	Reference documents	GRCF action
1	<p>‘Victorian HVZ Transition’</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transition Plan Version 3.1 published on 26th March. FAQs distributed to GRCF on 26th March Transition Plan commenced on 15th April AEMO has been advised of issues with the file naming and format of the VIC HVZ Extract_FRO CSV files. Content in these files is correct. If participants are able to process the FRO files in their current state, please go ahead. AEMO will advise of remediation. 	Louise Webb (AEMO)	AEMO Amendments to Victorian Declared Wholesale Gas Market and Retail Market -1 May 2024 release	None
2.	<p>AEMO's Gas Market Overview courses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now open for enrolments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14/5 - Introduction to Gas 15/5 - Overview of the Declared Wholesale Gas Market (DWGM) 16/5 - Overview of the Short Term Trading Market (STTM) 	Danny McGowan (AEMO)	AEMO Overview of the Declared Wholesale Gas Market AEMO Overview of the Short Term Trading Market	None.

9. Next Meetings

14th May and 11th June (*only if there is sufficient items of business*)

10. 2024 Package 1 GMI – IN002/22 – Review proposed Substitution & Estimation Codes



Mark Riley (AGL)

GMI – IN002/22: GRCF detailed review of proposed Substitution and Estimation Codes

Action

Decision



Please also refer to item ref#7a and &7b in meeting pack.

- This GMI proposes a review of all Substitution / Estimation Codes, Descriptions and Usage. This review includes consideration to:
 - Alignment to Electricity
 - Easy to locate and consistent Substitution / Estimation Code, Description and Usage references throughout AEMO Build Packs
 - In response to initial GMI, x9 GRCF participants provided GMI Appendix 1 detailed feedback resulting in an updated set of Substitution/Estimation codes, Descriptions and Usage
- In GRCF #158 and on the 19th March and 4th April AEMO prompted GRCF perform further review of updated set of Substitution/Estimation Code, Description and Usage and also consider order of magnitude to implement the GMI. GRCF feedback prior to GRCF #159 was welcomed.

Matters for the GRCF to consider.

1. Review latest proposed new/updated Substitution and Estimation Reason Code, Description and Usage



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