



MINUTES

MEETING:	Information Exchange Committee Meeting Number 34
DATE:	Tuesday 19 March 2024
TIME:	1:00PM AEDT
LOCATION:	Virtual
MEMBER ATTENDEES:	Mr Kee Wong (Chair) Mr Robert Lo Giudice (Retailer Representative) Mr Paul Greenwood (Metering Representative) Mr Graeme Ferguson (Alternate Distributor Representative) Ms Jill Cainey (Consumer Representative) Mr Peter Van Loon (Discretionary Member - Retailer) Mr Marco Bogaers (Discretionary Member - Embedded Networks)
APOLOGIES:	Mr Luke Jenner (Distributor Representative)
IN ATTENDANCE:	Meghan Bibby (AEMO, IEC Secretariat) Blaine Miner (AEMO, B2B-WG Chair) Andrew Bell (AEMO)

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 1:02pm AEDT.

The Chairperson gave an acknowledgement of country.

1. Compliance with Competition Law

The Chairperson introduced the Competition Law Meeting Protocol.

2. Apologies and member updates

The Chairperson noted Mr Luke Jenner (Distributor Representative) as an apology for this meeting. The Chairperson noted Mr Graeme Ferguson (Alternate Distributor Representative) as Luke Jenner's (Distributor Representative) alternate.

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) updated the IEC on the renewal of terms for the following consumer and discretionary members from 1 March 2024 to 28 February 2025:

- Ms Jill Cainey (Consumer Representative)
- Mr Peter Van Loon (Discretionary Representative – Retail)
- Mr Marco Bogaers (Discretionary Representative – Embedded Networks)

Kee Wong (Chair) thanked the representatives for their continued efforts in the IEC.

Meghan noted that later in 2024 the nomination and election process will need to occur for the industry members as their terms expire 31 August 2024.

3. Members' Declarations of Interest

The Chairperson noted that there were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. Minutes of previous meeting

The IEC accepted the minutes of the previous meeting.

5. Matters arising

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) spoke to each of the action items noted in the matters arising.

Kee requested that the increased support provided by AEMO (action 2808-03) for the B2B-WG be monitored to ensure it delivers an improvement in working dynamic of the B2B-WG.

The IEC confirmed closure of action 1305-06 as the current AEMO Foundational and Strategic Initiatives (FaSI) are consulting with industry and further digital uplifts beyond FaSI are unknown.

6. Industry Data Exchange (IDX) / Identity & Access Management (IDAM) / Portal Consolidation (PC)

Andrew Bell spoke to the IDAM, IDX and PC slides.

It was noted:

- AEMO and Industry collaborated via the FaSI Working Group through the course of 2023 and early 2024
- The business case has now been through drafting and formal submissions with the final FaSI Working Group held 12th March covering:
 - Key themes from formal submissions
 - The updates to the business case.
- No change has occurred to the options nor recommendation
- AEMO recommends proceeding with strategic step change with a phased investment for Industry Data Exchange.
- Next steps on the business case are:
 - Present at NEM Reform Executive Forum “Business Case – Draft”
 - Issue final Business Case and confirm AEMO Decision.
- Next step for the IEC is to update the B2B Procedures to remove system technical references s they belong in the Technical Specification, not in the B2B Procedure process obligations.

7. Key discussions that occur at the broader NEM Reform committees/forums

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) updated the IEC on items across:

- Implementation for CY2024
- Consultation
- Reforms in progress.

ACTION: AEMO to ensure the Unlocking CER Benefits through flexible trading High Level Implementation Designs (HLID) includes observations on impacts to B2B.

8. B2B-WG Update

Graeme Ferguson (Essential Energy, B2B-WG Distribution Member) spoke to the B2B-WG Update paper. Graeme noted the:

- Work underway for the next consultation and the proposed items to be included.
- Highlighted the timeframes and IEC involvement in those timelines to enable delivery by the rule effective date for the accelerated smart meter rollout (Metering Services Review (MSR)).

The IEC discussed the way this rule change has progressed, in particular, the risk created through the short timeframe for delivery.

9. Change Proposals (ICFs)

The IEC members discussed and endorsed the two change proposals (ICFs) submitted for inclusion in the next consultation:

- B007 - discrepancy correction
- B014 - B2B RoLR.

10. IEC forward meeting dates

The IEC endorsed the meeting dates for 2024 and location for face to face sessions.

11. Other matters

None raised.

Chairperson closing comments

Meeting Close

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 2:55 pm AEDT.

Kee Wong

Date: 3 June 2024