

Minutes

Meeting:	AEMO Procedure Change Working Group (APCWG)
Date:	Wednesday, 25 September 2024
Time:	11.00am – 12.00pm
Location:	Virtual meeting
Teleconference details:	MS Teams

Attendees:

Name	Company
Ali Kharrazi	Western Power
Alex Gillespie	AEMO
Andrew Scarfone	Perth Energy
Brad Smart	WA Government
Brooke Edwards	AEMO
Das Choton	Western Power
Denis Vukasinovic	Collgar
Dominic Regnard	Synergy
Donna Todesco	AEMO
Ganesh Anandan	Talison Lithium
Gian Garttan	APA
Graeme Ross	Simcoa
Jake Flynn	Collgar
James McIntosh	AEMO
Jean Mileto	Alinta Energy
Jenny Laidlaw	WA Government
Julian Fairhall	ERAWA
Katherine Lau	Synergy
Katrina Burns	Enel X
Laura Palchak	WA Government
Leon Chew	Alinta Energy
Leon Kwek	AEMO
Lindsay Williamson-Hanna	CQ Energy
Liz Aitken	Empire Carbon and Energy
Loke Leng	WA Government
Luke O'Callaghan	Lavan
Mark Jenkin	Synergy
Mark McKinnon	Western Power
Mark McPartland	Nomad Energy

Name	Company
Mark Riley	AGL
Martin Maticka	AEMO
Mena Gilchrist (Chair)	AEMO
Mike Chapman	AEMO
Natalie Robins	ERAWA
Neil Canby	Sunrise Energy Group
Patrick Peake	Perth Energy
Paul Arias	Shell
Paul Elliott	AEMO
Rick Dolling	AEMO
Robin Batra	APA
Sakshi Priya	Res Group
Sam Jurat	Amanda Energy
Sanna Pember	WA Government
Sarah Graham	AEMO
Sean Mcavoy	WA Government
Sumeet Kaur	Shell
Timothy Edwards	Metro Power

1 Welcome

- Mena Gilchrist (Chair) provided a brief introduction and thanked everyone for attending the APCWG.
- Stakeholders were reminded of the ground rules for working group participation, that the session is being recorded and were asked not to record the meeting.
- Mena Gilchrist opened the meeting with an acknowledgement of country.
- In response to a Stakeholder's suggestion, Mena Gilchrist explained that AEMO is going to be including explanatory notes in future marked-up Procedures for consultation to assist Stakeholders in reviewing the content.
- Stakeholders were also reminded they are welcome to approach Mena Gilchrist with any suggestions they have for how AEMO can improve the Procedure Change Process.

2 WEM Procedure: Direction of Registered Facilities in Scarcity Conditions

- Mena Gilchrist introduced Leon Kwek from AEMO who presented and spoke to the new WEM Procedure: Direction of Registered Facilities in Scarcity Conditions.
- Leon Kwek provided the APCWG with some background on the reason for the new procedure which is required by the amended WEM Rules as the result of WEM reforms. More information can be found on the [WEM Website](#).
- The new procedure outlines AEMO's interim intervention measure before going to an emergency state in Scarcity Conditions.
- AEMO's new Procedure will:

- Document the process to determine which Registered Facility to direct under Low Reserve conditions to remedy:
 - Energy Shortfall.
 - ESS Shortfall – AEMO may direct a Registered Facility to synchronise.
- The process was designed in response to managing the 2023-24 summer conditions to meet the following objectives:
 - Gradually “ramp up” severity of intervention to minimise to normal market operations.
 - Include advance notice of Market Advisory of forecast intervention to allow a potential market response to reduce impact through understanding of market dynamics and tooling.
 - Provide participants with insight into conditions and triggers for intervention and clarify on AEMO’s decision making factors.
- Leon Kwek mentioned the value of attending the [AEMO | Real-Time Market Insights Forum \(RIF\)](#).
- Liz Aitkin questioned whether only Market Participants can attend the RIF. Rick Dolling stated he would reach out to discuss the broader benefit of people other than Market Participants attending. The RIF slides are available for anyone to view at the link posted in the chat.
- Leon Kwek walked through an example of the process governing AEMO’s intervention in instances where capacity is unavailable because a facility is trapped within its trapezium.
 - This primarily occurs when AEMO requires a Facility to move into ‘overload’ settings.
 - The procedure steps out the criteria and thought process of how AEMO moves through the hierarchy of escalation activities and how Facilities are selected for intervention.
 - AEMO’s intervention will be in the lightest way possible.
 - AEMO will select and direct participants in accordance with the new procedure.
 - If an intervention is required, AEMO will issue a Market Advisory, then will direct changes in Market Participant offers.
- Attendees were invited to ask questions or provide feedback:
 - There were no questions.
- Stakeholders were invited to submit written responses to the Procedure consultation to WA.MarketDevelopment@aemo.com.au by 10 October 2024.

3 WEM Procedure: GPS Compliance Tests and Generator Monitoring Plans

- Mena Gilchrist introduced Mike Chapman from AEMO who presented minor amendments to the WEM Procedure: GPS Compliance Tests and Generator Monitoring Plans (Procedure).
- The amendments are not related to any reforms or WEM reviews.
- The proposed amendments to the Procedure include:
 - Changing date references from Business Days to calendar days to ensure consistency with the WEM Procedure: Commissioning Tests.
 - Clarification that a separate Generator Monitoring Plan template should be submitted for each Registered Facility, where multiple Registered Facilities are connected behind a connection point.

- Minor amendments to improve readability, including a process flow chart.
- Amendments to fix minor errors.
- Attendees were invited to ask questions or provide feedback:
 - Patrick Peake stated that the definition of template used in the Procedure may create confusion.
 - Mike Chapman will consider further, but noted that AEMO generally uses the term Proposed Generator Monitoring Plan referring to a document being submitted by a Market Participant. Mike Chapman asked Patrick Peake to reach out to him if he has any specific examples.
 - Mark Riley asked why dates were switched from Business Days to calendar days.
 - Mike Chapman advised that the reason for changing the time requirement is to align with the time used in the WEM Procedure ‘Commissioning Tests’, rather than what had previously been expected under the Technical Rules, which was generally also inconsistent with what AEMO experienced Market Participants were able to achieve when commissioning new facilities.
 - Mike Chapman advised that ‘as otherwise agreed’ typically means additional time can be negotiated if required.
 - James McIntosh commented that there is a minor discrepancy between the consultation closure date of 21 October 2024 listed on the Procedure Change website and the 22 October 2024 consultation closure date listed on the APCWG presentation slides. James McIntosh stated that AEMO will accept submissions on 22 October 2024.
- Stakeholders were invited to submit written responses to the WEM Procedure: GPS Compliance Tests and Generator Monitoring Plans consultation to WA.MarketDevelopment@aemo.com.au by 22 October 2024.

4 Next Steps and Other Business

- Mena Gilchrist advised that the NAQ Procedure and Dispatch Compliance Procedure will be finalised in the coming week or so.
- Mena Gilchrist advised the next APCWG which may be held in October 2024 is yet to be scheduled.
- There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 11.24am.