

GWCF February 2023 Meeting Notes

Meeting:	GWCF Meeting #38
Date:	Thursday, 16 February 2023
Time:	9:30am-11:00am (AEDT)
Location:	Teleconference
Teleconference details:	Meeting Link

Commentary added in **BLUE** is expansions provided after the meeting.

1 Welcome and attendance / apologies – Luke Stevens, AEMO

Luke Stevens (AEMO) welcomed all to the meeting. No apologies were received.

The GWCF noted AEMO's [Competition Law Protocol](#) and its requirements on both AEMO and participants.

Jordan Daly (AEMO) circulated the privacy notice in the Teams chat. There were no objections to the agenda or previous meeting notes.

2 AER Update – Megan Patten, AER

Megan Patten (AER) spoke to the slides:

2.1 Gas Market Transparency Measures Reporting Compliance Bulletin

- The first Compliance Bulletin on registration was released 21 September 2022.
- A Compliance Update was released 7 December 2022. This was with regards to the revised dates for implementation.
- The AER's Compliance Bulletin on Reporting Obligations to be published on 17 February 2023. An email notification on this will be sent to industry and it will be available on the AER's website.
 - It stresses participants must register with AEMO for BB reporting, the reporting obligations and all other obligations and if registered after the 1 December 2022 deadline to self-report the non-compliance to the AER.
 - It outlines and summarises the reporting obligations to AEMO and the AER, including reporting reserve and resource information (gas fields) directly to the AER.
 - It confirms the AER will be monitoring for compliance with reporting obligations from 15 March 2023 and that the information standard is a tier 1 civil penalty provision.
 - In the lead up to the 15 March 2023 reporting obligations commencing, the AER will be engaging with stakeholders. The AER is also available to assist with any questions participants may have via emailing AERGasMarketsBB@AER.gov.au.

No questions were received in the forum.

NOTE: A question was received after the meeting to clarify how Producers submit data directly to the AER. The AER clarified that a data submission template would be provided on 17 February 2023 to Producers as part of the AER's Compliance Bulletin publication.

3 AEMC Update – Meredith Mayes, AEMC

There was no AEMC update given at this meeting.

4 Gas Market Update

There was no Gas Market Update given at this meeting as the market has not completed the summer season or a QED since the last meeting. Therefore there is limited amount to discuss.

In the December 2022 GWCF meeting, Jamie Coombs (SEAGas) asked to see DAA amounts where the price was zero. Darryl White (AEMO) responded to this.

NOTE: The meeting pack has been updated to include a slide summarising the information discussed which was sent via email to GWCF participants and has been published to the AEMO's [GWCF webpage](#).

5 Consultation & Implementation Updates

Luke Stevens (AEMO) noted the Consultation Summary provided in the slides.

5.1 East Coast Gas Reform Update

Robbie Flood (AEMO) spoke to the slides provided after the meeting and noted the following:

- AEMO hosted the first East Coast Gas Reform Working Group meeting on 18 January 2023.
- Information from the meeting can be found on the webpage: [AEMO | East Coast Gas System Reforms Working Group](#)
- To join the working group please contact: gasreform@aemo.com.au
- There will be a linepack definition update. Melissa Perrow (Brickworks) asked where the drafted information is available. This was circulated on 18 January and the slides are provided on the above website which will be circulated via email following this meeting.
- Andrew Godfrey (Alinta) asked 'What is the purpose of the requirement for retailers to submit demand zone data?'. This requirement is related to the assessments AEMO will conduct. It's a 7-day forecast provided daily, which feeds into AEMO models. Retailers produce forecasts in the other markets and this applies the same philosophy to the operation of the EGCS.
- Jamie Coombs (SEAGas) asked 'Robbie Flood - for the next Gas Reform meeting, could you include a visual/example on the various linepack quantities so we are clear on how the definitions relate'. Robbie Flood agreed this would be provided,

5.2 Emergency Protocol (Robert Dickie, AEMO)

AEMO issued a request for Curtailment Data in January 2023 with information to be provided by 28 February 2023.

Changes to data collection include:

- Critical service tariff V end users excluded.

- Essential service "supply chain" tariff V end users excluded.
- Enhanced guidance on Essential & Critical service identification.

Sean Jennings (Red/Lumo) wanted clarity on the Tariff V and 'essential service' definitions. Retailers don't have ANSIC Codes for customers, largely tariff V. Evan Giosis (Globird) stated 'We have the same issue'. Robert Dickie (AEMO) stated the definition of 'essential service' in this case refers to hospitals and aged care and AEMO needs close estimates of their loads. Sean Jennings (Red/Lumo) reiterated it's difficult to access ANSIC Codes for these customers. Robert Dickie (AEMO) stated that not all essential service customers must be identified by ANSIC Codes.

[Note: ANZSIC code mapping to Essential and Critical services was developed by AEMO at the request of a Participant to facilitate the identification of these end users. It has been made available to Industry as part of the data request template.](#)

5.3 Implementation of DWGM interim LNG storage measure rule change (Luke Stevens, AEMO)

- Notice of Decision on Procedures was published 8 February 2023.
- AEMO is undertaking the system changes required to implement the settlement of the AEMO LNG Reserve by 1 March 2023.
- A new line item will be included in Settlement Statements for AEMO LNG Reserve.
- AEMO will be sending out a settlement notification shortly to inform participants.
- 1 March 2023 AEMO will agree contract with APA for remainder of storage capacity.
- Early April - AEMO will provide estimate of cost based on LNG capacity, Storage costs and Liquefaction costs to be incurred.

Market system changes:

- The market system change requires 2 new MIBB reports (INT279, INT279a as outlined in the drafted User Guide to MIBB Reports attached to this meeting).
- Notice of Decision 1 March 2023, Effective Date 15 March 2023

No questions were received.

5.4 Gas Market Parameters Review – Overview (Luke Stevens, AEMO)

The Final Determination was published during the GWCF meeting on 16 February 2023. The Determination is for STTM and DWGM parameters to remain unchanged. Several issues were raised which will be developed via the GWCF:

- Proposed new administered price cap trigger.
- Review of the cumulative price calculation methodology.

AEMO's view of both of these changes should be discussed and consulted on with the GWCF before seeking a Procedure or Rule change as this may pose a risk for market participants. No questions were received.

6 Other Business

6.1 Gas Transparency Measures (David Younger, AEMO)

- Reporting commences 15 March 2023

- Key documents available on [AEMO's Procedures and Guides page](#).
- The GTM FAQ document is available on the [consultation page](#). It covers questions on reporting obligations.
- Market trial commenced mid-January and is to conclude 17 February. Pre-production environment will remain available for participant testing.
- Two transaction-related submissions have had a description field added so participants can use their own IDs to track submissions (Short Term Transactions and LNG Transactions).
- Please send any further questions to bbo@aemo.com.au.

6.2 Other items (ALL)

Luke Stevens (AEMO) noted the GWCF webpage will be updated shortly, including the updated meeting pack. Note: The updated meeting pack has been emailed to participant and uploaded to [AEMO's website](#).

The 2023 GWCF meeting dates have been set according to the slides. These are:

- April - 19 April 2023
- June - 7 June 2023
- September - 20 September 2023
- December - 6 December 2023

Rebecca Mason (APA) asked 'Question for Robbie, with the procedures, Will there be early consultation on the procedures for AEMO giving directions?'. Robbie Flood (AEMO) stated that directions are covered by the Guideline, with the Procedures are expected to be published for consultation by 27 February. The updated consultation and implementation timeframes will be updated and circulated following the meeting.

With regards to the Emergency Protocol Consultation, Sean Jennings (Red/Lumo) stated his disappointment that the consultation about identifying characteristics of customers was not brought before the GRCF for consideration. The goal of the retailer curtailment information is severely compromised by the assumptions made by AEMO reporting detail requested. This was noted and will be considered further offline.

Note: Industry consultation for the Gas Curtailment and Gas Rationing and Recovery Guidelines (Guidelines) was conducted through the GWCF and GEMCF in accordance with the National Gas (Victoria) Act. This consultation process was identified as appropriate by AEMO and in full compliance with the AEMOs consultation obligations.

AEMO notes Red Energy and Lumo Energy was aware of the Protocol development and provided a formal submission during the consultation phase of the Guidelines. This feedback was incorporated into the final version of the Guidelines where appropriate to do so.

Retailers provided feedback on the data collection requirements (post formal consultation) which have resulted in the following changes to the data collection request:

- Critical service tariff V end users excluded
- Essential service "supply" chain tariff V end users excluded
- Enhanced guidance on Essential & Critical service identification (indicative ANZSIC mapping to Essential & Critical service definitions).

In recognition of difficulties in supplying the required data by the specified date, AEMO provided all Retailers (letter dated 8 December 2022) with the opportunity to propose an alternate arrangement to supply all Curtailment Data by 28 February. No Retailer proposed an alternate arrangement.

If participants wish to raise an item for discussion or further consideration, please email the relevant forum inbox ahead of time.

6.3 Summary of action items (Luke Stevens (AEMO))

Luke Stevens (AEMO) noted the following action/questions which are included in the summary table below. There are no other open action items for the GWCF.

Item	Action required	Response
38.5.1	Jamie Coombs (SEAGas) asked 'Robbie Flood - for the next Gas Reform meeting, could you include a visual/example on the various linepack quantities, so we are clear on how the definitions relate'.	Robbie Flood agreed this would be provided.
38.5.2	East Coast Gas Reform Initiatives Rebecca Mason (APA) asked 'Question for Robbie, with the procedures, Will there be early consultation on the procedures for AEMO giving directions?'.	Robbie Flood (AEMO) stated in the forum that directions are covered by the Guideline, with the Procedures are expected to be published for consultation by 27 February. The updated consultation and implementation timeframes will be updated and circulated following the meeting.
38.6.1	Meeting 38 updated meeting pack Updated slides to be circulated to GWCF once they have been finalised.	Luke Stevens (AEMO). The updated meeting pack was emailed to participants on 16/02/23 and uploaded to the GWCF webpage on 17/02/2023.
38.6.2	Transportation Service Point Register changes James Harding (Jemena) asked 'Is there an upcoming AEMO consultation on changes to the Transportation Service Point Register?'.	David Younger (AEMO) stated in the forum that further information will be circulated once AEMO has an update to give.
38.6.3	ANSIC Codes & Curtailment Information With regards to the Emergency Protocol Consultation, Sean Jennings (Red/Lumo) stated his disappointment that the consultation about identifying characteristics of customers was not brought before the GRCF for consideration. The goal of the retailer curtailment information is severely compromised by the assumptions made by AEMO reporting detail requested. This was noted and will be considered further offline.	<p>Industry consultation for the Gas Curtailment and Gas Rationing and Recovery Guidelines (Guidelines) was conducted through the GWCF and GEMCF in accordance with the National Gas (Victoria) Act. This consultation process was identified as appropriate by AEMO and in full compliance with the AEMOs consultation obligations.</p> <p>AEMO notes Red Energy and Lumo Energy was aware of the Protocol development and provided a formal submission during the consultation phase of the Guidelines. This feedback was incorporated into the final version of the Guidelines where appropriate to do so.</p> <p>Retailers provided feedback on the data collection requirements (post formal consultation) which have resulted in the following changes to the data collection request:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Critical service tariff V end users excluded Essential service "supply" chain tariff V end users excluded Enhanced guidance on Essential & Critical service identification (indicative ANZSIC mapping to Essential & Critical service definitions). <p>In recognition of difficulties in supplying the required data by the specified date, AEMO provided all Retailers (letter dated 8 December 2022) with the opportunity to propose an alternate arrangement to supply all Curtailment Data by 28 February. No Retailer proposed an alternate arrangement.</p>

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Item	Topic	Action required	Responsible	By
38.5.1	East Coast Gas Reform Initiatives	East Coast Gas Reform Initiatives Robbie Flood (AEMO) to provide a collated response to items raised in the GWCF 38 meeting.	Robbie Flood (AEMO)	Next meeting
38.6.1	Meeting Pack	Updated slides to be circulated to GWCF once they have been finalised.	Luke Stevens (AEMO)	Next meeting
38.6.2	ANSIC Codes & Curtailment Information	Jordan Daly (AEMO) to discuss the issues raised by Sean Jennings (Red/Lumo) regarding ANSIC Codes & Curtailment Information internally and potentially in the GRCF. With regards to the Emergency Protocol Consultation, Sean Jennings (Red/Lumo) stated his disappointment that the consultation about identifying characteristics of customers was not brought before the GRCF for consideration. The goal of the retailer curtailment information is severely compromised by the assumptions made by AEMO reporting detail requested. This was noted and will be considered further offline.	Jordan Daly (AEMO)	Addressed in Secretariat Notes above.

7 Attendees

Attendees:

Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation
Adam Watson	AEMO	Marcus Godfrey	SEAGas
Adam Rae	AER	Mark Venning	Alinta
Adele McCormack	ENGIE	Marika Suszko	AGL
Alex Ho	Unknown	Megan Patten	AER
Alanna Gibson	GLNG	Melissa Perrow	Brickworks
Alex Uziallo	Hydro	Meredith Mayes	AEMC
Allan McDougall	Agora	Mingchuan Tian	Unknown
Anne McTernan	Arrow Energy	Neil Batie	AEMO
Andrew Godfrey	Alinta	Nick Flint	Epic Energy
Anne McTernan	Arrow Energy	Nipun Saxena	AEMO
Arnaud Berckmans	Brickworks	Patrick Lau	TEL Pacific
Ben Hayward	Origin Energy	Paul Bresloff-Barry	Agora
Ben Vesty	Senex Energy	Peter Wormald	Shell
Bernadette Velarde	AEMO	Philip PR Plat	Bluescope
Brooke Hill	CQ Energy	Przemek Grobelski	Beach Energy
Carl Coertzen	AER	Rachael Lim	AEMO
Chotima Micallef	Lochard Energy	Raif Sarcich	DELWP
Christina Sutherland	GLNG	Richard Lee	Senex
Darryl White	AEMO	Robbie Flood	AEMO
David Habib	Cooper Energy	Robert Dickie	AEMO
Devvrat Patney	Hydro	Roberto Moreno Atanasio	Department of Industry
Evan Giosis	Globird	Robin Coombe	SEAGas

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Devrat Patney	AGL	Rupert Johnston	Cooper Energy
Erin Clydesdale	Shell	Ryan Middleton	Santos
Evan Giosis	Globird	Saul Milner	AEMO
Georgina Cowdroy	Unknown	Sean Jennings	Red/Lumo
Harrison Gibbs	AEMC	Scott Jeffery	Energy Australia
Helen Kleper	Unknown	Thomas Lozanov	Origin Energy
Hitesh Simpat	AEMO	Stephen DelMonaco	ExxonMobil
Ivan Litvinov	ENGIE	Patrick R Stock	Viva Energy
Jacinta Papps	Alinta	Robert Lo Guidice	Alinta
James Tyrell	AEMC	Robert Dickie	AEMO
James Harding	Jemena	Roberto Moreno Atanasio	Department of Industry
Jamie Coombs	SEAGas	Robin Coombe	SEAGas
Katharina F Benzler	DEECA	Ryan Middleton	Santos
Jennifer Brownie	QEUN	Saul Milner	AEMO
John Andrew	ENGIE	Scott Jeffery	Energy Australia
Lawrence Irlam	EnergyAustralia	Scott Young	APA
Leonor Lee	Jemena	Suvid Satyawadi	Unknown
Libby Chen	AEMO	Tamara Herbert	Santos
Liz Gharghori	AGL	Thomas Lozanov	Origin Energy
Luke Garland	AEMO	Travis Worsteling	Energy Australia
Luke Stevens	AEMO	Yvonne Tan	AEMO

No apologies were received ahead of the meeting.