

## POC Program Consultative Forum No.2 Meeting Notes

**MEETING:** POC Executive Forum  
**DATE:** Friday 7 October 2016  
**TIME:** 10:00 AM  
**LOCATION:** AEMO Offices Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide-  
 Video/Teleconference

### Attendees:

Attendees	Company
Andrew Peart	AGL
Mark Riley	AGL
Warren Brooks	TasNetworks
Colleen McHendrie	Select Solutions
Scott Chapman	Select Solutions
Debbie Voltz	Essential Energy
Felicia Brady	United Energy
Roy Thompson	Ausnet Services
David Woods	SA Power Networks
Aaron Smith	SA Power Networks
Glenn Pallesen	ActewAGL Distribution
Lance McMinn	Secure Meters
Melinda Green	Energy Australia
Michael Whitfield	Commonwealth
Carly Irving	Energex
Roger Barnes	Lumo Energy
Greg Nielson	Ergon Energy
Charles Coulson	Metropolis Metering Services
Glenn Ryan	Endeavour Energy
Dino Ou	Endeavour Energy
Phil Gardiner	Citipower & Powercor Australia
Murray Chandler	Ausgrid
Chris Amos	Ausgrid
Andrew Mair	M2 Energy
Shannon McAllister	WINenergy
James Barton	Simply Energy
Catherine Hayward	Electrag
Nicole Wallis	AGL

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## 1.0 WELCOME

A. Mascarenhas went through the list of attendees in order to update the PCF CRM list and welcomed attendees. The PCF will focus on key changes moving forward.

## 2.0 REVIEW OF ITEM 1 - 161007 POC-PCF 2 MEETING PACK

*SLIDE 3* – AEMO’s program remains on track to meet milestones. B. Healy thanked those in attendance and those involved in working groups.

The first IEC meeting was held on 13 September and the next one is scheduled for 17 October.

Procedure consultation for Work package 2 (WP2), which consists of accreditation and registration documents is progressing on schedule. More meetings are planned from the Procedure Working Group (PWG). Consultation on WP2 begins on the 10 October.

AEMO is now considering system builds and working through questions internally in relation to the design. At this stage AEMO is advancing well. AEMO will bring items for consideration to the Systems Working Group on 24 October. These will include items such as which protocols supported. The Terms of Reference for the SWG will be released today (7 October 2016).

D. Ou – queried Slide 3 stating “B2B working group has completed providing inputs into the B2B Procedures” – he felt it is started, but not completed. AEMO explained that the ‘inputs to the procedures’ have completed and that Slide 4 clarify that the review of the final Procedures is still underway. An additional three sessions are being held in the coming week to continue Procedure review and development. Lumo would also prefer if it did not state completed. B. Healy explained the payload (inputs) and the transaction content is completed as stated and it’s largely agreed by the B2B-WG. M. Riley agreed with this statement.

*SLIDE 4-6* - Slide 4 Risk Register deferred to later in meeting.

Website update – PoC pages will be completed once the REMCO pages are finished. Nominees will be notified with the pages are completed.

The B2B Procedures consultation is scheduled to commence on 20 October, subject to IEC endorsement. The supporting documents and B2B procedures are close to being released to the B2B-WG for their review, this document should not contain any new material.

New System Working Group (SWG) will be commencing in late October 2016.

Readiness reporting trial run will commence in November. S. Jovanoski indicated there will be an opportunity following the initial process to make amendments to the reporting.

AEMO will be facilitating a session with potential Embedded Network Managers. AEMO has approached organisations such as Westfield, and has contacted everyone who made a

submission during consultation processes and has reviewed the current exemption list published by AER. AEMO will consider any other parties who wish to attend.

*SLIDE 7* – Technical Development Specifications form part of the B2B procedures. There are currently two documents. AEMO is proposing to merge them into a single document. AEMO are planning on requesting the IEC to open consultation on the paper from 20 October so that a draft can be published on 23 December 2016 with the B2B Procedures.

*SLIDE 8* – D. Ou queried if industry would be able to see Technical Specification Documentations prior to 23 December 2016. It was explained that the document will be available during consultation and will be developed through ongoing industry engagement. Updates will take place from 20 October to 23 December 2016. This will be undertaken by the SWG and B2B WG members.

D. Ou was concerned of the impact of Christmas holidays as it would only allow a few weeks to provide feedback and this was not the same opportunity as other feedback periods. B. Healy explained there will be some additional time allocated to the second stage consultation to accommodate the break period.

M. Riley stated the need to tie the procedures with the technical specifications. They have to be done in parallel. B. Healy noted concurrent development and consultation is the best solution to achieve within the timings. **Additional dates for the B2B Procedures consultations and documents will be included on the Program Overview.** D. Ou asked if the draft on 20 Oct will detail the architecture that is being proposed and will it define the interfaces. B Healy said it may, however the SWG sessions on 24 October will be used to present options for message protocols.

*Slide 9* –The government released a consultation paper recently. S. McCabe from the Victorian Government is planning a stakeholder forum on 19 October 2016. The PCF distribution list will be provided to Victorian Government for the purposes of sharing information. The consultation paper can be viewed on the Environment Department of Victoria's website. The initial session will be an information session, followed by open discussion for participants to present views and concerns. Victorian Government proposed to form a stakeholder reference group for members who can assist in working thru the issues. This will be an ongoing working group until issues can be resolved. Victorian Government is targeting to have finalised this piece of work by mid-2017. Key policy issues should be bedded down early 2017, which would require subsequent approval by Cabinet. A. Mascarenhas stated AEMO will be talking to the Victorian Government about implementation and the process.

### 3.0 OTHER BUSINESS

B. Healy noted the AEC have written a letter to AEMO regarding the objection logging periods. AEMO having had less than a week to consider letter, will respond directly to the AEC. **B. Healy will keep forum addressed if there are changes as a result of this letter.**

AEMO stated that it's not currently involved in the state safety regulator working groups. AEMO is monitoring the progress and liaising with the Commonwealth. The current drafting of the B2B Procedures and message content accommodates all states and it's likely that there would be minimal change. M Riley told the forum the B2B-WG are still reviewing some of these processes, that consider the state safety requirements, and where the information should be housed i.e. business guide or B2B Procedure.

#### 4.0 UPDATE – B2B WORK GROUP

The written procedures will not be available to go to IEC until Friday 14 October 2016 as there is now B2B-WG meetings on Monday and Tuesday. The issues are the IEC's intent to start consultation on 20 October as they need to meet regulatory obligations, and are targeting to complete consultation by 6 March 2017. The procedures are not in a well-developed state and this could cause unrest in the future and “bog” down B2B WG in the future.

Option 1 – Industry understand that procedures are 80% complete and the B2B-WG and AEMO will continue to develop them by 23 December.

Option 2 – start consultation via a discussion paper with questions. This will not release procedures in 80% draft and they may not be available for feedback. B2B-WG will continue targeting 23 December.

It was suggested that the more content that goes out prior to and at consultation, the better it will be for industry.

B. Healy said in summary - the consultation will begin 20 October. This keeps 23 December intact. The procedures workshop will occur and the IEC will be provided with Procedures on 17 October. We will release procedures on 17 October and highlight it is a work in progress. Members felt that was consistent and sounded good.

M. Riley wants the 8 and 9 November booked for the work shop. The B2B WG will continue to develop and go back to industry, all prior to the submission date.

A query was raised as to why we are where we are now. B. Healy stated the circumstances include a number of factors, the establishment of the transitional IEC was just one. The Rules are a substantial change to the industry and come with a wide ranging impact. There is a legislative requirement for the “go live” date and we do not get to extend the date, resulting in the process being conducted in a compressed timeframe. Please make sure you are feeding information back to your businesses.

#### 5.0 RISK & ISSUES REGISTER

Risks and issues are to be emailed to B. Healy to be included in the register.

D. Ou felt that consequences of List 4 on the Risk Register should be high. **B. Healy to update register.**

#### 6.0 PROGRAM DATES

Future PCF dates were included on Slide 13. It was requested an additional date be added for December. November's meeting on the 7th should be changed to include information from prior workshops. **A. Mascarenhas will confirm November's forum date.**