

INFORMATION EXCHANGE COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: B2B Procedures: Errors and Corrections

DATE: 16 May 2017

1. PURPOSE

This note outlines the Information Exchange Committee's (IEC) approach to capturing and progressing changes to the B2B procedures in the lead into 1 December 2017 Power of Choice (POC) program delivery.

2. BACKGROUND

On 6 March 2017, AEMO published the IEC's final recommendations on changes to the B2B Procedures to become effective on 1 December 2017. The B2B procedures were amended following the Australian Energy Market Commission's final rule determinations on competition in metering, embedded networks, and changes to the B2B framework.

On 8 May 2017, the IEC considered its approach to capturing errors and corrections and other suggested changes to the B2B procedures in the lead into 1 December 2017.

3. B2B PROCEDURES - APPROACH

Taking into account the need to provide industry certainty and minimise risk for 1 December 2017 program delivery, the IEC has decided to streamline the process for testing and error management for the B2B procedures. Noting this, the IEC's approach to capturing and progressing changes to the B2B procedures in the lead into 1 December program delivery is as follows:

B2B Procedures - errors/corrections and change log

The B2B Working Group will maintain a B2B procedures <u>errors/corrections and change</u> log, which will include identified errors and corrections or suggested changes to the B2B procedures. The Log will be made available on AEMO's website.

AEMO will publish a template for participants to identify errors/corrections or make suggested changes to the B2B procedures and the B2B Guide.

The B2B Working Group and IEC will review the log on a monthly basis. The items in the log will be categorised as either:

- Manifest errors or corrections to the B2B procedures;
- Improvements or other changes to the B2B procedures not characterised as manifest errors or corrections; or
- B2B Guide material.

B2B procedures - manifest errors and corrections

- The B2B Working Group and IEC will review the Log on a monthly basis.
- On a monthly basis, the B2B Working Group will recommend to the IEC which items contained in the Log are manifest errors or corrections contained in the published

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version of the B2B procedures. The IEC will consider the B2B Working Group's recommendation.

- On a monthly basis, the IEC will review and approve those B2B procedure changes that is has agreed are manifest errors or corrections. These would be captured into an Errata to the B2B procedures, which will be published alongside the published version of the B2B procedures and made available on the AEMO website.
- In October 2017, AEMO will publish a revised version of the B2B procedures capturing the changes identified in the published Errata.

Note: the National Electricity Rules allows the IEC and AEMO to publish corrections to the B2B procedures without the need for a formal rules consultation process.

<u>B2B procedures - improvements or other changes not characterised as manifest errors or corrections</u>

As part of the B2B Working Group's monthly review and the IEC's considerations of the items contained in the log, improvement or other changes to the B2B procedures not characterised as manifest errors or correction will be logged and considered in a future B2B procedures consultation to be undertaken in 2018.

B2B guide

Changes to the B2B guide will be made if agreed by the IEC along with the error corrections made to the B2B procedures.

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