Meeting Notes – B2B-WG

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| MEETING: | Business-to-Business Working Group |
| DATE: | Tuesday, 12 July 2022 |
| TIME: | 9:30am-12:00pm  |
| LOCATION: | Teleconference |
| meeting #: | 08 |
| CONTACT | b2bwg@aemo.com.au  |

ATTENDEES:

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| Name | Company  |
| Blaine Miner (Chair) | AEMO |
| Nandu Datar | AEMO |
| Meghan Bibby | AEMO |
| Kate Gordon | AEMO |
| Lenard Bull | AEMO |
| Aakash Sembey | Origin Energy |
| Adrian Honey | TasNetworks |
| Carla Adolfo | intelliHub |
| Christophe Bechia | Red/Lumo |
| David Woods | SA Power Networks |
| Dino Ou | Endeavour Energy |
| Graeme Ferguson | Essential Energy |
| Helen Vassos | PLUS ES |
| Jo Sullivan | Energy Australia |
| Mark Riley | AGL |
| Paul Greenwood | VectorAMS |
| Robert Lo Giudice | Alinta Energy |
| Robert Mitchell | EnergyQueensland |
| Wayne Farrell | Yurika |

# Preliminary matters

## Acknowledgment and Apologies

Justin Betlehem was noted as an apology.

Blaine Miner welcomed Jo Sullivan as the new member of the B2B WG representing retailers. Jo Sullivan spoke about her industry experience.

## Confirm agenda

The B2B-WG confirmed the agenda. No other items.

## Action items from previous meeting and standing list of consultation items

Blaine Miner noted that the following items were being proposed to be closed since the last meeting, responsible owners were asked to provide the group an explanation as to why the actions should be closed:

| **Action Meeting Date** | **Description** | **Responsible** | **Outcome** |
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| 1005-02 | Support ICFs for character length for Hazard description and gap in NEM RoLR process (from actions 1204-04 and 1204-05) | B2B WG | Closed during the meeting, will be progressed by action 1406-02. |
| 1005-04 | Provide advice related to why life support information was deemed to be customer data | Blaine Miner (AEMO) | Covered at the CDR workshop |
| 1005-06 | Organise an out of session meeting to finalise the HLIA of IESS on B2B | Nandu Datar (AEMO) | Closed as the assessment will occur as part of the Aug monthly meeting |
| 1005-09 | Finalise B2B Guide survey questions for sending to wider participants following completion of period for consultation 3.8 draft report | Nandu Datar (AEMO) | Survey questions finalised.Create survey for wider participants02/07 - Survey created |
| 1406-01 | Update Origin's ICF on Alignment of B2B field lengths to B2M | Mark Riley (AGL) | 14/06 – ICF updated |
| 1406-05 | Review the B2B guide survey outline before it is released | Mark Riley (AGL) | Review done |
| 1406-06 | Trail the survey for feedback with B2B WG members | Nandu Datar (AEMO) | Trial organised |
| 1406-07 | Incorporate feedback from trial with B2B WG members into survey before sending to wider participants | Nandu Datar (AEMO) | Feedback incorporated |

Discussion on Open action items:

* 2303-01 – Mark Riley noted if participants are directly able to request metering change directly with the MCs the industry needs to consider how the commercial arrangement works. If the new party walks away in say 6 months, then it leaves a huge bill for the FRMP.
* 1005-10 – Nandu Datar noted that this item was not included in the B2B Guide survey. Nandu will interact with the WG and determine how to survey the wider participants.
	+ Action: Blaine requested members to provide feedback re the proposal to combine all B2B procedures into one procedure.
* 1406-04 Meghan Bibby noted that this issue is being discussed within AEMO and that process reviews are underway. Robert Lo Giudice noted that possibly not all industry participants that may be impacted were engaged in the recent RoLR events. Mark Riley requested, following AEMO’s review, for any proposed changes to be brought to the ERCF and the B2B WG for feedback prior to finalisation.
	+ Action: Meghan Bibby to pass on the B2B WG request for any proposed changes to the RoLR communications to be brought to the ERCF and the B2B WG for feedback prior to finalisation.

Discussion on Northern Territory (NT) consultation

* Mark Riley queried the group if they noticed that NT has just commenced a consultation involving the B2B procedures.
* Nandu Datar spoke about helping the NT stakeholders with identifying and amending the procedures and assisting with issuing the consultation papers.
* Meghan Bibby explained the services and systems AEMO will be providing the NT to help support improved retail competition in the area. Meghan noted that the IEC has been advised of the NT consultation, prior to the consultation commencing. NT will not be part of the NEM. NT is not expected to drive any changes to the NEM B2M or B2B Procedures.
* Robert Lo Giudice queried if the IEC should be notifying its members of these types of developments. Meghan noted that she will take back that feedback to the IEC.
* Mark Riley queried if the payment from NT will be shared with IEC and if they have been given copyright to the procedures and NT will have to adopt any future changes to the NEM. Meghan confirmed: no to sharing payment, no to copyright and yes to adopting future changes.

# Items for discussion or noting

## B2M Update – Blaine Miner

Discussion:

* Blaine Miner provided an overview of the current B2M activities, more details were provided in the appendix of the slide pack.
* MSATS Standing Data Review - Wayne Farrell queried about proposed changes to the controlled load enumerated values in MSATS and the link to the NOMW. The new MSATS enumerated values are to be YES/NO/EXT where the NOMW only supports YES/NO. Wayne queried if there should be any proposal to amend the one-way notification values to align to MSATS.
	+ Action: B2B WG to consider any potential impacts associated to the perceived misalignment between controlled load values between the B2M and B2B Procedures.

## IEC ICFs – Current and emerging – B2B WG

Discussion:

* Blaine Miner spoke to the 2 ICFs listed in the meeting pack and another related to NCONUML Inventory files and queried if the group have any further update to the ICFs.
* Mark Riley noted that alignment of address fields is necessary. Mark also noted that he’ll raise an additional ICF to ensure alignment to the address fields to the Australian standard.

Actions:

* AEMO to forward all open ICFs to the B2B WG members for review and comment

## Update on IESS – Blaine Miner

Discussion:

* Blaine Miner spoke to a proposed approach in progressing the IESS impact assessment on B2B procedures. Blaine noted that AEMO will do a preliminary review and engage the B2B WG at the next meeting for them to consider and finalise the impact assessment for consideration by the IEC.
* David Woods noted the group needs to get a common understanding of the IRP role and scenarios of how they are likely to interact at a NMI or connection point level and then determine the impact on procedures.
* Blaine Miner mentioned that his understanding was that the B2M IESS consultations were being targeted for around Sept 2022. The IESS project is scheduled to engage the ERCF at its July meeting to get feedback re consultation timings.
* In response to a question from David Woods, Blaine stated that the expectation is that IRPs would work within the current B2B framework and that our task, in part, was to ensure there was nothing in the B2B Procedures that would unintentinally exclude them

Actions:

* AEMO to provide links to the high-level design and final determination of the Rules to the B2B WG.
* B2B WG to consider what additional information they may require completing their IESS impact assessments.
* B2B WG to assess the potential impacts of IESS on the B2B procedures in preparation for the Aug B2B WG meeting

## B2B WG Members Distribution List – Nandu Datar (AEMO)

Discussion:

* Nandu Datar raised the matter of non-personal email addresses in the B2B WG members distribution list.
* Mark Riley noted that the AGL email is required when he is away and the relevant team within AGL is informed of B2B WG activities. Mark requested for the email to be retained.
* David Woods noted that the email DL AEMO USER GROUP is associated with SA Power Networks and that the email address can be removed from the distribution list.
* Christophe Bechia questioned if other Industry Forum lists should be reviewed as well e.g. the ERCF. Blaine and Meghan stated that other forums, such as the ERCF, were open invitation whereas the B2B WG is by nomination only. Therefore, a review would not be warranted.

Actions:

* Nandu Datar to interact with David Woods to further review the DL AEMO USER GROUP email and then remove it from the distribution list.

## B2B Guide update

Discussion:

* Nandu Datar (AEMO) noted that the survey has been released to wider participants, with only 4 responses received to date, with responses due by 20 July 2022.
* Nandu also noted that following the closure of the survey response period, preliminary analyse with be performed by AEMO with a summary prepared for consideration by the B2B WG.
* Paul Greenwood questioned how a non-response should be treated by the B2B WG, especially if the final response rate is low

Actions:

* Nandu to send out a reminder to wider participants re responding to the survey by 20 July.
* AEMO to perform initial analyse of the survey responses and provide a summary to the B2B WG. AEMO to also provide the actual survey response details.

# Other business

## Wrap-up, actions, questions, parked issues

* The next B2B-WG meeting is scheduled for 9 August 2022.
* Members to send through any proposed agenda items, plus associated content, to the B2B WG mailbox.

Parked items:

* None