

## POC Executive Forum No.5 Meeting Notes

MEETING: POC Executive Forum  
 DATE: Monday 27 March 2017  
 TIME: 2:00PM -3:00 PM (AEST)  
 LOCATION: AEMO Offices Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide-  
 Video/Teleconference

### Attendees:

Attendees	Company
Adrian Hill	Ausnet Services
Ammar AlJuboor	Covau
Basile Sepsakos	United Energy Distribution
Carly Irving	Energex Limited
David Havyatt	Energy Consumers Australia
Glenn Pallesen	ActewAGL Distribution
Jan Pritchard	Origin Energy
Kate Goatley	ActewAGL Retail
Kathryn Heywood	Electrag
Phil Gardiner	Citipower Powercor
Randall Brown	Pacific Hydro
Scott Chapman	Select Data Solutions
Sean Reardon	Jemena
Stefanie Macri	Red & Lumo Energy
Tim Evans	Energy Australia
Warren Brooks	Tas Networks
Wayne Listner	SA Power Networks (for Rob Stobbie)
Peter Geers	AEMO – Chair
Violette Mouchaileh	AEMO
Ben Healy	AEMO
Jennifer Fikret	AEMO – Minute Taker

### Notes:

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### 1.0 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

P. Geers welcomed attendees and introductions were conducted.

## 2.0 APOLOGIES AND MINUTES

Previous Minutes were accepted as true record of the meeting.

## 3.0 POWER OF CHOICE PROGRAM UPDATE – B. Healy

Publication of B2B procedures and the Victorian Government decision on competition in metering are milestones achieved during this period.

The Systems Work Group are focusing on system design, LVI and peer-to-peer messaging.

Readiness have been working on developing the test strategy and work books on scenario based testing. The RWG will be collaborating with industry on Testing and Cut-over in April, along with the Accreditation and Registration Plan further along.

### Questions

S. Reardon (Jemena) queried how AEMO planned to encourage those not currently submitting a Readiness Report to submit a report. T. Sheridan (Readiness Lead) is contacting non-reporters and the AER are also encouraging reporting as well. AEMO is looking at streamlining the process for smaller companies.

## 4.0 VICTORIAN TRANSITION TO METERING COMPETITION - Alex Badham - Director, Energy Policy and Regulation Victorian Government

Impact of late Victorian Government decision – nil impacts on Power of Choice schedule at this stage.

A.Badham explained the Victorian Government has deferred the adoption of metering competition in Victoria until 2021 and will wait and see in other states. The State Government noted the Victorian smart meter roll out and the realisation of benefits from that roll out, and want to ensure that appropriate protections are in place. The government will not extend the derogation granting exclusivity to distributors. This will expire on 1 Dec 17.

B.Sepsakos (United Energy Distribution) queried if Victorian smart meters, currently type 5 will have to convert to type 4. The state government wish to continue the existing rules and classifications of VIC AMI meters.

B.Sepsakos asked about the Victorian Government opt out approach and queried if Victorian meters also need to conform to national spec meters? Victorian smart meters must comply with the existing Chapter 7 of the rules.

The Victorian government, AEMO and industry are meeting on Wednesday, 29 March, however AEMO are just partnering not driving solutions to this issue.

The Order in Council will not address the classification issue. A solution that minimises the impact on 1 December, needs to come out of Wednesday's meeting, and then be shared with DBs and Retailers (standard distribution list). **Action: B. Healy to share.** C.Irving

advised the group should take a preferred solution, go back to their organisations and obtain input and feedback. Meters deployed after 1 December will also be discussed on Wednesday.

## **5.0 WORK STREAM UPDATE**

B2B – An as built consultation will open on 12 April addressing issues raised in procedures requiring making minor amendments.

B2B/IEC papers around translation module is not feasible at this time.

Readiness and Industry Testing are having forums on both 4 and 5 April to gain industry feedback – participants were encouraged to attend.

Readiness Reporting – 31 reports were received in March. General feedback was AEMO needed more targeted questions. Some stakeholders are engaged, however not providing reports at this time. AEMO is in the process of contacting them.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

J Pritchard (Origin Energy) queried if AEMOs' systems will be ready for real time transactions on 1 December. AEMO will deliver a 99% tested solution by mid-August for industry testing (from mid-Aug to the end Oct-Nov). Response time for messages is 5 seconds.

AEMO was asked if they plan to undertake an independent QA of the program at this point.

**Action:** P.Geers will check to see the scope of the current audit.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Executive Forum will take place on 22 May 2017.