

Power of Choice (POC) Meeting Notes

MEETING: POC Workshop
DATE: Tuesday 21 June 2016
TIME: 10:00 AM
LOCATION: AEMO Office Melbourne and Video/Teleconference

Attendees:

Attendees	Company	Location
Aakash Sembey	Momentum	Melbourne
Andrew Mair	M2 Energy	Melbourne
Ben Healy	AEMO	Melbourne
Brett McLean	United Energy	Melbourne
Dale Martin	AEMO (Chair)	Melbourne
Darren Bailey	Origin Energy	Melbourne
David Lipshut	ERC	Melbourne
David Markham	AEC	Melbourne
Dean Van Gerrevink	Vector AMS	Melbourne
Georgina Snelling	Energy Australia	Melbourne
Haiden Jones	Powershop	Melbourne
Helen Stimpson	Active Stream	Melbourne
Jackie Krizmanic	AusNet Services	Melbourne
Justin Betlehem	AusNet Services	Melbourne
Karly Train	Energy Australia	Melbourne
Katie Lippens	Origin Energy	Melbourne
Kerry Galloway	AEMO	Melbourne
Lara Pasinati	SGP	Melbourne
Leon Vilfand	Jemena	Melbourne
Leanna Gunstone	Lumo/ Red Energy	Melbourne
Louizanne Diaz	Serviceworks Management	Melbourne
Malcolm Hempel	Pacific Hydro	Melbourne
Mara Tennis	Lumo/ Red Energy	Melbourne
Mark Riley	AGL	Melbourne
Matthew Serpell	Jemena	Melbourne
Mike Ryan	AEMO	Melbourne
Nirav Rajguru	Jemena	Melbourne
Nicole Chaplin	United Energy	Melbourne
Rob McDougall	Energy Australia	Melbourne
Shadiva De Joug	People Energy	Melbourne
Slavko Jovanoski	AEMO	Melbourne
Tim Sheridan	AEMO	Melbourne

Tony Darby	Brave Energy	Melbourne
Vasanth Madhialagan	Jemena	Melbourne
David Hayvatt	Energy Consumers Australia	Sydney
Hilary Priest	Pooled Energy	Sydney
Peter Cole	ENA	Sydney
Dino Ou	Endeavour Energy	Phone
Michael Whitfield	Commonwealth Government	Phone

Notes:

Red text highlights action items.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Dale Martin (AEMO) welcomed participants to the Power of Choice (POC) meeting and noted that the purpose of this workshop is to provide a two hour overview and information session to participants.

The Chair advised that the each package would be presented as follows:

Program Overview - Ben Healy
 Work Package 1 – consultation update - Tim Sheridan
 Work Package 2 – overview and approach -Tim Sheridan
 Draft Market Readiness Strategy - Slavko Jovanoski

AEMO apologised and noted that some participants were having issues with teleconference facilities at this stage. AEMO is happy to follow up with anyone who requires it.

2. Program overview

Ben Healy (AEMO) provided an overview of the timelines for the POC Implementation Program (*meeting pack item 2, slides 5 to 7*).

Workshop participants questioned the timelines in AEMO’s IT Systems work stream - with AEMO requirements and design commencing before the SMP B2B procedures consultation is finalised. Due to the tight timeframes, AEMO will use an iterative design and build process, using the best information available at the time. **AEMO will update the timeline to reflect that the IT design period will extend to beyond the finalisation of the SMP B2B procedures consultation.**

Ben Healy presented the POC Stakeholder interactions model (*meeting pack item 2, slides 10 to 11 and meeting pack item 2.2*), and noted that a Power of Choice – Program Consultative Forum (PoC-PCF) will be established.

Workshop participants questioned the decision making powers of the PoC-PCF. The PoC-PCF sits in the management layer, and is not a formal decision making body, however it can come to consensual agreements. Past projects have shown that similar bodies would deal with at least 90% of the issues escalated to it, without needing further escalation.

Ben Healy introduced the POC Industry Management – Risk and Issue plan (*meeting pack item 2, slides 12 to 14 and meeting pack items 3 and 4*). **Participants to provide feedback on the plan to the POC mailbox (POC@aemo.com.au) by 5 July 2016.**

3. Work Package 1 & 2

Tim Sheridan (AEMO) led overview discussions on procedures for consultation in work packages 1 and 2 (*meeting pack item 2, slides 17 to 27*). It was highlighted that draft determination for work

package 1 will be published on 29 June 2016, and that all submissions for work package 1 are available on AEMO's website for interested participants to review.

Tim Sheridan highlighted that the consultation timeline for work package 1 in the slide pack had two errors – closing date for submissions in response to the draft report is 14 July (not 13 July) and publication of final report and determination is 24 August (not 26 August). **AEMO will update the slide pack and circulate with the meeting notes.**

Concerns were raised by participants in regards to the following:

Timeframes:

- Package 1 stage 2 review: Due to the number of documents requiring review, participants requested additional review time (i.e. to allocate some of AEMO's review time to participants). AEMO noted that a PoC workshop is scheduled for 7 July to discuss the changes between the initial and second draft. **AEMO to send meeting invite for 7 July workshop and review consultation timeframes.**
- Package 2 stage 2 review: Participants asked if it was possible for AEMO to review the timelines so that the review period does not coincide with the Christmas period – **AEMO to review consultation timeframes.**

Work package 2 scope:

- Jackie Krizmanic (AusNet) asked why the Metering coordinator default procedures were deemed "default" – **AEMO will review and confirm the reasoning.**
- David Lipshut (ERC) asked if AEMO is updating the standing data in MSATS Document as part of package 2.
- David Lipshut (ERC) also asked if the Glossary Document will include B2B Procedures – AEMO noted not at this stage, however the door is open for this being included in future.
- Dino Ou (Endeavour) commented that the metering coordination registration document should be in WP2.
- **AEMO offered to provide the full set of documents in work package 2 and work package 3 for clarity.**

4. Draft Market Readiness Strategy

Slavko Jovanoski (AEMO) presented the draft market readiness strategy (*meeting pack item 2, slides 30 to 38 and meeting pack item 5*). A POC Readiness Working Group is to be established to collaboratively develop the market readiness strategy and the reporting requirements.

Concerns were raised by participants in regards to the following:

Definition and Scope:

- Brett McLean (UE) queried the explicit scope exclusion of new safety requirements, and the importance of safety considerations on operational preparedness. AEMO clarified that any safety risks or issues impacting operational preparedness should be raised as a readiness risk – however AEMO will not be coordinating a program of work to ready participants for new safety requirements. It is the responsibility of participants to ensure that safety issues are addressed in their own internal processes.
- Michael Whitfield (Commonwealth) noted that the Commonwealth will be represented on the PoC-PCF and will provide an avenue to communicate safety issues between the jurisdictions and the program.
- Mark Riley (AGL) asked AEMO to further define Market Readiness; as there is a disconnect between this and project success – AEMO noted that the plan is to assume success on day one.

Reporting:

- Justin Betlehem (AusNet) queried what level of readiness reporting would be required from participants – AEMO noted the aim of the reporting is to be meaningful without being overly

onerous. Reporting requirements will be developed in collaboration with participants, via the Readiness working group, and other interested parties, such as the IEC and SCO.

- David Lipshut (ERC) commented that AEMO should consider setting a benchmark against the readiness report activities – For example, at point 'a' AEMO expects all participants to be 'b%' complete.
- David Lipshut (ERC) also emphasised the need for sign-off of reports to be the responsibility of a sufficiently high level of authority within each organisation.

Industry Testing, Transition and Cutover:

- David Lipshut (ERC) questioned what software support would be available for industry testing. AEMO noted that HP Quality Centre was used in the NARGP project and would envisage something similar would be used. This will be defined during the development of the Industry Testing Plan.
- Mark Riley (AGL) also noted that the transitional and cutover plan would need to cater for service orders that take at least a week to process – AEMO noted that the Transition and Cutover Plan will be developed in mid to late 2017 and will incorporate this.

Participants to provide feedback on the draft Market Readiness Strategy to the POC mailbox (POC@aemo.com.au) by 5 July 2016.

5. Next Steps

Moving forward the next steps will be:

- AEMO to update the Work Package 1 consultation dates in the AEMO meeting pack slides and recirculate.
- AEMO to issue meeting invites for the Work Package 1 draft determination session in on 7 July 2016 to allow participants to make travel arrangements
- AEMO to review the Christmas timeframes for Work Package 2 consultation period to support the best outcomes for industry.
- AEMO to provide list of documents in Work Package 2 and Work Package 3.
- Participants to provide feedback on the draft Industry Management Plan – Risk and Issues and the draft Market Readiness Strategy to the POC mailbox (POC@aemo.com.au) by 5 July.