

## March 2023

Today marks a significant milestone for the NEM Reform Program as we confirm the successful deployment of the Program's first <u>Implementation</u> Roadmap initiative.

The release has two aspects:

- Integrating Energy Storage Systems (IESS) initiative, which enables
  Market Small Generation Aggregator (SGA's) participants to register and
  provide contingency Frequency Control Ancillary Services (FCAS) in the
  NEM. This initiative provides access to additional value streams for
  SGA's and promotes competition in the FCAS markets.
- 2. Enablement of registration processes for related NEM Reform initiatives (Stand-Alone Power Systems) ahead of a release in May 2023.

The March 2023 release is optional for participants, and AEMO has supported interested parties prepare for participating in FCAS markets. For more information and resources to assist participants, please go to the IESS project <u>Participant Toolbox</u>.

As we venture further along the NEM Reform Implementation Roadmap, collaborating on readiness will continue to be instrumental for both industry and AEMO. Collaboration supports effective planning and delivery of the Roadmap's critical milestones which in turn supports the energy transition.

To learn more and get involved with the program implementation, please visit the <u>NEM Reform Program webpage</u>.

Regards,

NEM Reform Program Team