Forum meeting record

Forum:	NEM Reform Implementation Forum #33
Date:	15 May 2025
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Location:	MS Teams

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1   Welcome
Greg Minney (Slides 2-4)

- Members welcomed and agenda outlined. Participants were informed that the meeting will be recorded for the purpose of minute taking only.

2   Actions & Feedback from Previous Meeting
Greg Minney (Slides 5-6)

- No actions from the previous meeting.

3   2025 / 2026 Release Summary
Greg Minney (Slides 7-9)

- A high-level summary of external milestones against all inflight initiatives summarising from the previous period with details outlined on slides 8 and 9 of the accompanying slide pack.

4   Environment Activities & Timings
Chris Flemming (Slides 10-11)

- AEMO provided an update on the pre-prod maintenance outage and is scheduled for 22 May 2025. AEMO advised that the next pre-prod refresh has been scheduled for late August 2025 and will support the ISF Market Trial. AEMO noted that the Data Model v5.5 was successfully deployed into production on 29 April 2025.

5   June 2025 Release
(Slides 12-25)

Frequency Performance Payments (FPP)
Ulrika Lindholm

- Overall project status is Green and on track.

- AEMO provided a 1 month prior to go-live assessment (slide 16)

- The project is progressing well, with the Market Trial concluding on 16 May and completion of the one-month readiness checkpoint confirming on track to go live on 8 June.

- Final Go-live Plan has been published on 30th April.

- Further details are outlined in slide 16 on the accompanying pack.

FPP-FO Market Trial Update
Chris Fleming

- Market Trial is progressing well with a very low number of defects raised during the test.

- FPP Backdated Settlement runs are complete and have been reviewed by participants (Weeks 7&8).

- Forward dated settlement runs have also been validated by participants (Weeks 16&17)

- AEMO also mentioned that there is only one outstanding defect for FPP pre-prod which is confirmed closed as of 15th May.

- The last day for Market Trial is on May 16th, 2025, and any defects and issues encountered are asked to be raised via the Support Hub as AEMO is no longer monitoring Practitest issues.

- FPP Market Trial Schedule is outlined in slide 18 on the accompanying pack.

- The billing period for FPP commences on Sunday 8th of June and the first preliminary settlement run will be Friday 20th of June.

- The final settlement run will be Wednesday 9th of July.

- Hypercare and post go-live support is outlined in slide 19 on the accompanying pack.

SCADA Lite
Emily Brodie

- Overall project status GREEN.

- AEMO announced that SCADA Lite has reached technical readiness in late April and is now open for registrations.

- AMEO continues to focus on completing training and documentation whilst supporting initial registrations from eligible participants.

- AEMO completed internal readiness checkpoint on 6th May.

- SCADA Lite Service is available from 15th May 2025 for eligible participants to apply.

- The SCADA Lite project page has been updated to demonstrate the readiness and provide guidance.

6 July 2025 Release

Enhancing Reserve Information (ERI)
Nicole Nsair

- AEMO provided an update on ERI activities and noted that the overall project status is green.
- AEMO added that the project is finishing UAT.
- Comments are still welcome until 23rd of May for the joint ERI & ST PASA draft go-live plan.
- Participants are encouraged to join the Q&A sessions for the industry testing and are advised to send an email to NEM Reform if interested.
- ERI Milestones are outlined in slide 30 of the accompanying pack.
- Industry testing will commence on 21 May.

ST PASA Procedure and Recall Period
Nicole Nsair

- Overall project is in green status.
- Q&A sessions for the industry test have been scheduled twice weekly from 20 May to 17 June 2025.
- Participants are encouraged to join the Q&A sessions for the industry testing and are advised to send an email to NEM Reform , with Industry testing to commence on 21 May 2025.Go live on track for 1 July 2025 (with ERI).
- Key Timings and Implementation Approach are outlined in slides 37 and 38 of the accompanying pack.

Raised by	Question/Issue Raised	Response
Audrey Follett – Snowyhydro	For STPASA Recall is there documentation online for the new recall time in the Bidding API in pre prod. The current API reference on the AEMO website does not include the new recall field that will be required.	https://dev.preprod.aemo.com.au/api-details#api=bidding-v1&operation=get-getbid will be updated on the pre-prod release date 21 May 2025. It will contain the new RecallPeriod field.
Audrey Follett – Snowyhydro	From 27th May will bids in pre prod be rejected if they do not include a recall period or will they use a default value?	Yes. This will default to the default value of 24000

7   October 2025 Release

Metering Services Review (MSR)   Justin Stute

- AEMO discussed the progress of the MSR release, including the completion of Package 1 and the ongoing consultations for Packages 2 and 3.
- AEMO reported that Package 1 of the MSR release is completed, with the final version published on April 2nd, covering legacy meter replacement plan and defects at the metering installation.
- AEMO discussed the ongoing consultation for Package 2, which includes the asset management strategy and changes to the metering installation malfunction exemption procedure.
- AEMO mentioned that the issues paper for Package 3, covering basic power quality data, was published in April, with responses due by May 19th.
- AEMO also mentioned the approval of the r46 aseXML schema by the ASWG
- AEMO outlined the industry readiness approach for the MSR release, including a coordinated industry test, transition plan, and regular Q&A sessions during the test period.
- AEMO is seeking feedback from participants regarding the approach in loading LMRPs and feedback can be forwarded to the NEM Reform mailbox.
- LMRP Working Group proposal is outlined in slide 48 on the accompanying pack.
- MSR Implementation Milestones – Packages 1 & 2 are outlined in slide 49 of the accompanying pack.

Raised by	Question/Issue Raised	Response
Robert Lo Giudice – Alinta Energy	Some clarity about the Victoria DNSPs LMRPs and if AEMO heard anything regarding this matter since there's been a lot of discussions and interpretations when it comes to Vic DNSPs LMRPs.	AEMO has advised participants to seek their own legal advice regarding DNSPs in Victoria supplying an LMRP.
Jeff Roberts – EVO Energy	When will pre-prod be ready for the blind update loading (BUT)	It will be ready from the 8th of September.

8   December 2025 Release

Improving Security Frameworks (ISF) for the Energy Transition   Rosie Elkins

- AEMO reported that the overall project status for ISF remains Amber following the re-baselining of the project schedule.
- highlighted recent publications, including the final high-level implementation assessment, the draft market trial test strategy, and the initial MS tech spec.
  - Final HLIA published on 17 April 2025
  - Draft Market Trial Test Strategy published on 2 May 2025
  - Initial EMMS tech spec for data model v5.6 published 12th of May
- AEMO is expecting to publish a draft transition approach to provide a clear plan around commencement and transition to the new system security scheduling function.
- AEMO is continuing to work closely with TNSPs through dedicated forums to progress the implementation of the rule.
- The ISF procedure change approach is outlined in slide 56 of the accompanying slide.
- ISF Draft Market Trial Strategy is shown on slide 57 of the accompanying pack.

9   IDX Draft Implementation Schedules   Graeme Windley/Daniel Perry (Slides 58-64)

- AEMO discussed the upcoming IDX technical delivery specification, outlining the topics that will be covered in the May version, future revisions, and the topics that will not be included. They also mentioned the process will include an initial review by the MITE Working Group before it is published online.
- Overall project status is Amber.
- AEMO continues to progress Implementation planning activities including finalisation of commercial terms and delivery costings.
- AEMO mentioned that the drafting of initial technical specifications is currently in progress, is due on the 30th of May.

Raised by	Question/Issue Raised	Response
Michael Zhang – SA Power Networks	Is there a planned schedule for publishing the subsequent versions after the May version.	It is something that the team is working on and may be able to have answer to it during the MITE working group on the 18th of June.

10   IDAM   Greg Minney (Slides 65-67)

- AEMO provided a brief update on IDAM foundation program of work with detailed information outlined on slide 65 through to 67 of the accompanying slide pack.

Raised by	Question/Issue Raised	Response
Sean Jennings – Red Energy	The IDAM status has been at risk and wanted to clarify what is its current standing.	The reason why we are marking it at risk as overall is due to the need to bed down the final design and delivery costings
Dennis Teo – Jemena	Will the IDAM focus groups be held in June and July	The program team is working on that. Although they cannot commit the exact date but that is still a plan and will be asking them to publish those dates as soon as we can over the next couple of weeks.

11   Upcoming Initiatives   Greg Minney (Slides 68-83)

- AEMO provided the below items as noting with details outlined on slides 68 through to 83.

  – Flexible Trading Arrangements (FTA)

Raised by	Question/Issue Raised	Response
Greg McLeod – Origin Energy	When is the Tech Spec due for FTA?	The first tech spec will in the third quarter of 2025.

  – Project Energy Connect Market Integration (PEC-MI)

  – Shortened Settlement Cycles (SCC)

  – Integrating Price-Responsive Resources into the NEM (IPRR)

    – Cash Security

12 Stakeholder Engagement
<div align="right">**Jen Hardman (Slides 84-86)**</div>

- AEMO shared details regarding the upcoming NEM Reform Program General Stakeholder & NEM Roadmap briefing with registration details outlined on slide 85.

Upcoming Engagements

- Taken as read.

13 General Questions and Other business
<div align="right">**Greg Minney (Slide 87)**</div>

- Queries and feedback may be sent to NEMReform@aemo.com.au.

OPEN ACTION ITEMS

(Item = Meeting # – Agenda # – Reference)

Item	Topic	Action	Responsible
33.7.0.1	LMRP Working Group	Industry feedback on what pathway to take for the LMRP whether it's working group or the same process. Participants are advised to send feedback by the ed of next week 23 May 2025.	Stakeholders