

MEETING NOTES – ERCF

MEETING: Electricity Retail Consultative Forum
 DATE: Thursday, 25 November 2021
 TIME: 8:30am-11:00pm AEST
 LOCATION: Teleconference
 MEETING #: 11-21
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ATTENDEES:

Name	Company
Gareth Morrah	AEMO
Jordan Daly	AEMO
Kate Gordon	AEMO
Lenard Bull	AEMO
Meghan Bibby	AEMO
Nandu Datar	AEMO
Blaine Miner	AEMO
Simon Tu	AEMO
Adrian Honey	TasNetworks
Andrew Jumeau	EVO Energy
Aakash Sembey	Origin Energy
Chantal Wright	Jemena
Christophe Bechia	Red/Lumo Energy
Craig Baldwin	Unknown
Daniel Hoolihan	Energy Queensland
Dannii Upham	Yurika
David Woods	SA Power Networks
Deepesh Goswami	Secure Meters
Dino Ou	Endeavour Energy
Ellie Carey	ActewAGL
Graeme Ferguson	Essential Energy
Greg Szot	Citipower Powercor
Helen Vassos	Plus ES
Jane Hutson	Energex
Jaydon Harrod	BlueNRG
Jeff Roberts	Evoenergy
John Dawson	1 st Energy
Jo Sullivan	EnergyAustralia
Justin Bethlehem	Ausnet Services
Kamal Kisto	Origin Energy
Kambiz Vessali	Secure Meters
Laura Pierano	United Energy
Leon Vilfand	Jemena
Linda Brackenbury	PLUS ES
Mark Riley	AGL

Name	Company
Mark Leschke	Yurika
Mathew Tanzer	Energy Queensland
Matthew Giampiccolo	Simply Energy
Mamta Madan	Active Utilities
Mussan Larnach	Energy Intel
Paul Greenwood	VectorAMS
Richard Metherell	Unknown
Robert Lo Giudice	Intellihub
Steve Smith	Yuika
Sue Richardson	Agility CIS
Sohel Rana	Unknown
Tom Cole	Yurika
Wayne Farrell	Energy Queensland
Wayne Turner	Ausgrid
Zahara Magriplis	Energy Queensland

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES – Jordan Daly, AEMO

Jordan Daly (AEMO) welcomed all participants to the meeting and spoke to the items as per the slides.

2. ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING – Jordan Daly, AEMO

Jordan Daly (AEMO) noted the closed and progressed items, as detailed in the meeting pack and agenda.

MATTERS FOR NOTING

3. 2021 Consultations – October B2M Consultation

Jordan Daly (AEMO) gave an update on consultation dates.

4. ICF Register

AEMO noted that the following ICFs are now being consulted on or on hold (waiting for confirmation of IT change roadmap).

Consultation: CIP_042, 045, 046, 048, 050, 053, Connection Configuration Clarification, WIGS Clarification.

The following ICFs involve system changes and don't require consultation: ICF_017, ICF_032, CIP_047. Their implementation date is currently TBD.

The following were discussed later in this meeting: ICF_052, ICF_055, ICF_056, ICF_057

5. Market Change Stakeholder Survey

Jordan Daly (AEMO) walked through the AEMO Market Change Stakeholder Survey results. The results are summarised as follows:

- All forums have high levels of satisfaction with AEMO's provision of chairing and secretariat services.

- All forums believe AEMO is transparent and accountable.
- Discontent was generally voiced by small organisations without technical expertise or those that have specific grievances.
- Participants prefer to receive meeting invitations and materials further in advance, including updating slides to reflect change papers. Some participants requested more reminder emails.
- Participants are supportive of the use of technical subgroups to make meetings run more efficiently.
- Participants prefer forum-related emails to be sent from shared inboxes.
- Participants are appreciative of the presence of SMEs like Metering and IT.
- Many small pieces of praise were received for each forum.

COMMON ITEMS

6. 2021 Consultation Updates – MSRD/MCPI, October REMP, 2022 – Jordan Daly, AEMO

Jordan Daly gave a summary of the October B2M consultation and provided further information on the next B2M consultation.

1. MSRD/MCPI scope for 1 May 2022

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) gave an overview of the delayed implementation of the MSATS Standing Data Review (MSDR) and specified the proposed delivery scope for 1 May 2022 and 7 Nov 2022.

AEMO will be commencing the NER minor amendment process on the commencement date change by 3 Dec 2021. Market participants will have 10 business days to provide feedback.

AEMO confirmed that the aseXML Schema will be released in a similar manner to that which was used for the 5MS schema upgrade. That is, the schema changes will be implemented on 1 May 2022 but will remain “silent” until the proposed effective date of 7 November 2022.

Mark Riley (AGL) asked if the Controlled Load enumerations could be included in the 1 May release. Meghan agreed to discuss this option within AEMO and report back to the ERCF. An action was taken for AEMO to provide a table of what will be included in the 1 May release and what will be included in the 7 November release.

AEMO noted that the Retail Electricity Procedures Draft Report will be published by 6 December 2021 and that the draft R42 Schema will be released for comment on 29 Nov, comments to be received by 10 December 2021.

2. Update Meter Information

Simon Tu (AEMO) gave an update on the MSRD Meter Model and Manufacturer enumerated list and how participants are able to add an enumeration in future via an “Enumerated List Form” to be emailed to the support hub by the participant proposing the change.

Simon Tu asked if there were any other fields the participants would like this process extended to.

Mark Riley (AGL) suggested extending the fields for meter model/manufacturers that were being truncated. This would involve a schema change.

A complete list of manufacturer/model to be published on the AEMO website – location to be confirmed.

MSATS ONLY ITEMS

3. NMI Status (ICF_052) – Helen Vassos, PLUS ES

Jordan Daly (AEMO) discussed the outcomes of the focus group. The open action is for MCs to collect and provide examples between now and 11 January 2022 to assess the scope of the issue. The subgroup will then reconvene to discuss the examples provided.

4. Clarifying when an embedded network code must be issued (ICF_055) – Dino Ou, Endeavour

Jordan Daly (AEMO) outlined the survey results and feedback in regard to the Embedded Network Codes. Five responses were received, two respondents had no issue with the changes. An action was taken for Dino Ou to take the feedback into consideration when drafting the CIP.

METROLOGY & SERVICE LEVEL PROCEDURE ITEMS

5. Clarification of End Date in Inventory Table (ICF_056) - Mark Riley, AGL

Jordan Daly (AEMO) outlined feedback received from distributors on their interpretation of start and end dates in the inventory table. Five responses were received, two of which were in favour of the proposal. Jordan Daly (AEMO) presented a summary of the comments received.

Mark Riley (AGL) spoke to the implications as a result of the asset being end dated at the end of each month rather than when the asset is actually removed.

Adrian Honey (TasNetworks) stated that TasNetworks' interpretation of the Procedure is that inventory file records should reflect when assets are added or removed, as reflected by their survey response. While there may be benefit in a consistent approach, retailers should discuss any issues with their DNSP in the first instance rather than a Procedure change. Depending on how DNSP systems are designed, this may be resolved by a change to the inventory report format. It was agreed that Mark would progress the drafting of his ICF to reflect this feedback.

OTHER BUSINESS

6. NREG Definitions

Jordan Daly (AEMO) spoke to results of the NREG definition discussion.

7. Transposed Meters – Christophe Bechia (Red/Lumo)

Christophe Bechia (Red/Lumo) proposed documenting a process map for transposed meters as Red\Lumo have been finding issues in the updating of MSATS when the investigation has been completed. The recommendation is to create a process map which documents the period from the launch of the investigation to completion, and ensures market participants are aware of what processes each LNSP engages in when transposed metering is discovered, as well as what impacts to the customers may arise.

Christophe suggested a subgroup be formed to discuss the issues and map out scenarios and if appropriate have these mapped out solutions documented. A subgroup was formed to discuss this issue.

8. NCONUML GPS Location (ICF_057) – Aakash Sembey (Origin)

Aakash Sembey (Origin) spoke to a proposed Minor amendment to v4.6 MSATS standing procedures.

Origin proposes that:

- GPS Latitude and Longitude requirements for NCONUML sites to follow the same rules as remotely read meters (i.e., For NMIs with remotely read meters: MANDATORY for new NMIs established from the effective date of these Procedures and all NMIs when they have a physical field site visit, REQUIRED for all other date of these Procedures and all NMIs when they have a physical field site visit, REQUIRED for all other NMIs.
- GPS minimum number of characters (CHAR) to align with recent ICF (CIP_053) of 5 to a maximum of 7 GPS minimum number of characters (CHAR) to align with recent ICF (CIP_053) of 5 to a maximum of 7 characters (CHAR).

Comments were received as follows:

- Justin Betlehem (Ausnet): This is more than a "minor amendment" for DNSP systems, my business would not be able to deliver this NCONUML GPS change in the next year
- Adrian Honey (TasNetworks): May be very low numbers of new NMI's in comparison to existing NCONUML NMI's, so will be of little benefit I feel.
- Mark Riley (AGL): Supports, suggested GPS location be the connection point e.g. if multiple sprinklers, GPS location would be the connection point
- Jo Sullivan (EA): Agreed, has noticed these issues more and supports getting these coordinates
- Dino: Seems to be an issue with customer assets, not network assets. Wouldn't this information need to come from the customer? Why using a market rule, for information that needs to come from a customer?

A subgroup was formed to discuss this issue.

9. Other Business - Incorrect nomination of Initial MC (RPER3 Report (ICF_058)) – Dino Ou, Endeavour

Dino Ou, Endeavour Energy spoke to his ICF:

Since 1 October 2021, when the CR1xxx objections for the MC nomination were removed, the number of NMIs appearing in the RPERR3 report has increased significantly. Since the RPERR3 report is assigned to the current MC, the incorrectly nominated Initial MC has to request another party (either the FRMP or the correct MC) to make the correction (MSATS does not allow the current MC to nominate another party to be the MC for a NMI). This request to correct the MC role is done manually and via email.

Dino suggested this report be sent to the FRMP as they are able to correct the errors. The Network cannot cause the issue, and the network cannot fix the issue. It was agreed to progress this ICF.

Helen Vassos noted they are also experiencing a similar issue (incorrect nomination of contestable MCs) and believes the root cause needs to be addressed and further investigation is required. It was agreed that she would raise an ICF to progress this issue. A subgroup was formed to discuss Dino's issue.



**10. General questions, actions & next meeting (16 December 2021) Jordan Daly,
AEMO**

Jordan Daly Closed the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS RAISED AT MEETING

Item	Topic	Action required	Responsible	By
1	MSDR/MCPI scope for 1 May 2022	Helen asked if the Meter Manufacturer/Model list can be used now. Meghan to confirm.	AEMO	
2	Embedded Network Codes (ICF_055)	Dino Ou (Endeavour) to submit his CIP to AEMO for further consideration.	Dino Ou (Endeavour)	
3	Clarification of End Date in Inventory Table (ICF_056)	Mark Riley (AGL) to review drafting and update to present to industry	Mark Riley (AGL)	
4	Transposed Meters	Subgroup: Mark Riley, Justin Bethlehem, Dino Ou, David Woods, Helen Vassos, Jane Hutson, Paul Greenwood, Mathew Tanzer, Graeme Ferguson, Aakash Sembey, Wayne Turner, Tom Cole, Robert Lo Giudice,	AEMO	
5	NCONUML GPS Location (ICF_057)	Subgroup: Aakash Sembey, Jo Sullivan, Christophe Bechia, Mark Riley, Zahara Magripilis, David Woods, Wayne Turner, Dino Ou, Adrian Honey, Mathew Tanzer, Robert Lo Giudice.	AEMO	
6	Other Business - Incorrect nomination of contestable MC	Helen Vassos to raise ICF. Subgroup: Dino Ou, Helen Vassos, Jane Hutson, Matthew Tanzer, Mark Riley, Aakash Sembey, Robert Lo Giudice, Kamal Kisto, Mark Leschke.	Helen Vassos AEMO	

