

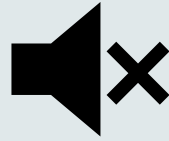


Please note we're allowing a few minutes for attendees to join the meeting before it commences

ERCF Meeting 2

25 February 2021

Online forum housekeeping



1. Please mute your microphone, this helps with audio quality as background noises distract from the information being shared.



2. Video is optional, but having it turned off helps with webinar performance and minimises distractions.



3. We ask that you utilise the Chat function for any questions or comments you may have if you are unable to use audio.



4. If you have dialled in via phone or don't have your full name and organisation visible on Webex, could you please email your name and organisation to ercf@aemo.com.au for our records.



5. AEMO will be recording this workshop to support production of meeting notes.



6. Be respectful of all participants and the process.

Agenda

No	Time	Agenda Item	Responsible
Preliminary Matters			
1	9:30am-9:45am	Welcome, agenda items, AEMO Competition Law Meeting Protocol, Acknowledgement of country, confirm agenda	Meghan Bibby (AEMO)
Matters for Noting			
2	9:45am-10:00am	2021 January & March Consultations ICF Register	Jordan Daly (AEMO)
3	10:00am-10:10am	Customer Switching, MSDR & MCPI Update	Meghan Bibby (AEMO)
Common Items			
MSATS Only Items			
Metrology & Service Level Procedures Items			
6	10:10am-10:50am	Estimation Reason Codes (ICF_042)	Joe Castellano (Origin)
	10:50am-11:00am	BREAK	
7	11:00am-11:40am	New Substitution method (ICF_044)	Mark Riley (AGL), Shaun Cupitt (Alinta)
Other business			
8	11:40am-11:50am	B2B eHub Interface Testing	Joe Castellano (Origin)
9	11:50am-12:00pm	General questions, actions & next meeting (25 March 2021)	Jordan Daly (AEMO)

Preliminary Matters

AEMO Competition Law Meeting Protocol

Before we start this meeting, an important notice relating to *compliance with Competition Law*

We must not discuss, or reach or give effect to any agreement or understanding which relates to:

- Pricing
- Targeting (or not targeting) customers
- Tendering processes
- Sharing competitively sensitive information
- Breaching confidentiality obligations

Each entity must make an independent and unilateral decision about its commercial positions

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

Closed actions from previous meetings

Item	Topic	Action	Responsible	Response
N/A	ICF_042 Estimation Reason Codes	Participants to consider their preferences for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand current reason codes • Introduce new reason code/s • Combination of both? 	ERCF participants	Feedback cut off was 18/2
2201-03	ICF_044 Substitution Review	ICF to be outworked for consideration in February ERCF meeting.	Shaun Cupitt (Alinta), Mark Riley (AGL), Helen Vassos (PLUS ES) Chantal Wright (Jemena), Jeff Roberts (Evo Energy).	Received between meetings, circulated for February meeting

Open actions from previous meetings

Item	Topic	Action	Responsible	Response
1012-02	CIP_023: Process when remote collection of metering data fails	Relevant scenarios 'Unauthorised Connections' to be taken to the IEC for inclusion in the B2B Guide	Meghan Bibby, Jordan Daly (AEMO)	Under consideration by IEC
2201-01	MSDR/MCPI	AEMO to circulate information on the Data Transition Group and related workshops when it becomes available	Meghan Bibby, Jordan Daly (AEMO)	Commenced, not yet published.
2201-02	ICF_042 Estimation Reason Codes	ICFs to be outworked and circulated for offline consideration and March consultation.	Joe Castellano (Origin)	Ongoing.

Matters for Noting

2021 Consultations & ICF Register

Jordan Daly, AEMO

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- Majority of remainder are ready for 2021 consultation
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5MS/GS & Customer Switching B2M Consultation

Type	Date
Initial Notice	Tuesday, 12 January 2021
Submissions Close	Thursday, 18 February 2021
Draft Determination	Thursday, 18 March 2021
Submissions Close	Thursday, 1 April 2021
Publish Final Determination	Monday, 17 May 2021

Changes to:

- Meter Data File Format Specification NEM12 & NEM13
- Metrology Procedure: Part B
- MSATS Procedures: CATS Procedure
- MSATS Procedures: MDM Procedure

Available on AEMO website, located at:

<https://aemo.com.au/consultations/current-and-closed-consultations/5ms-gs-customer-switching-b2m-consultation>

Electricity Retail Market Procedures March 2021 Consultation

Type	Date
Issues Paper	Monday, 1 March 2021
Submissions Close	Thursday, 8 April 2021
Draft Determination	Thursday, 6 May 2021
Submissions Close	Friday, 21 May 2021
Publish Final Determination	Friday, 2 July 2021

ICF/CIP	Name
M001	Defining obligations on the MC to have a process to detect illegal reconnections
023	Process when remote collection of metering data fails
030	Configuration of data channels and meter data obligations.
037	Connection Configuration
N/A	Guideline to the National Measurements Act update

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Customer Switching update

Meghan Bibby, AEMO

- IT changes linked in 5MS release
- Pre-production scheduled to be made available July 2021
- Participants will be able to undertake their testing in pre-production from July through to September
- Updates are available on AEMO website, located at: <https://aemo.com.au/consultations/current-and-closed-consultations/nem-customer-switching>

Milestone	Date	Description
B2M schema change r39_p1	May 2021	Released as part of the 5MS MSATS 46.98 release The Customer Switching fields, Previous Read Date and Quality Flag are not utilised or populated until Thursday 29 September 2021
Revised Technical Specification	TBC	Published as required with further details of the changes to assist IT staff with their own technical implementation
Customer Switching pre-production implementation	Early July 2021	AEMO implements components of the Release to pre-production for participant testing AEMO has full access to the system during this period through to the Production deployment
Customer Switching production implementation	Wednesday, 29 September 2021	AEMO implements the 5MS/CS MSATS 46.99 release to production
Customer Switching Effective	Thursday 30 September 2021 Friday 1 October 2021 00:00:01	Customer Switching MSATS Procedures 4.9 are effective

Customer Switching update

- Inflight transactions
 - If a transfer CR is raised on 1/10/21, then the new transfer rules will apply.
 - Any transfers CRs raised up to and including 30/9/21 will be treated as in flight transactions and complete on their nominated proposed date. This means if a retailer raises a CR1000 on 30/9/21 with a readtypecode of NS (next scheduled read date), if the NS is within +90 days of the 1/10/21 then it will complete as per the current transfer rules.

MSDR & MCPI update

Meghan Bibby, AEMO

- Proposed delay to MSDR & MCPI to 1 May 2022 to manage risks between GS and MSDR/MCPI
- Consultation on effective date occurring shortly
 - Does not include a review of content changes
- Data Transition Workshops:
 - Limited to 5 people per business
 - First scheduled for 30 March 2021
 - Second tentatively scheduled for 29 April 2021
 - Expressions of interest to be sent to ercf@aemo.com.au
 - Participants will be asked to provide inputs between the two workshops
- Updates are available on AEMO website, located at:
<https://aemo.com.au/consultations/current-and-closed-consultations/msats-standing-data-review>

Common Items

MSATS Only Items

Metrology & Service Level Procedures Items

ICF_042 Estimation Reason Codes

Joe Castellano (Origin)

- Meter Data File Format Specification NEM12 & NEM13 – Appendix E
- Either a new industry code be created to provide a more reflective indication of an event leading to large volume estimation being undertaken or refine and clarify the existing reason codes.
- Market Participants will be required to update their systems to be able to send/receive a new estimation code.
- MDPs will be able to more correctly identify large volumes of premises requiring estimation, and data users (including customers) will be clearer about why their data is estimated.

Options:

- Expand current reason codes
- Introduce new reason code/s
- Combination of both

ICF_042 Estimation Reason Codes

Survey Result Summary:

Options: Expand current reason codes, Introduce new reason code/s, Combination of both

Respondents: 5 (3 distributors, 1 retailer, 1 metering)

Question	Answer
Costs	Minimal for retailer & MP, ~\$300k-500k for DBs
Benefits	No network benefit, Clarity for skipped Type4A reading, substantial retailer benefit (certain customer-facing processes can be triggered earlier, less lost information)
Preference between options	No support: 2 Option 1 or hybrid: 1 Option 2: 2
Additional feedback (if applicable)	The objective of this ICF is unlikely to be achieved for remotely read meters as information will not be provided in real time. In the scenario of a locked gate, the meter reader is unlikely to know the exact reason the gate is locked. An alternative way of achieving the objective of this ICF could be for MDP's to provide NMI lists to retailers when experiencing a particular event. It would be appropriate to first review all codes and their use, determine which are obsolete, which can be repurposed and if any new ones are required.

Break

Return 11:00am

ICF_044 – Substitution Review

1. Obligations: Include an explicit statement in general requirements that ensure that the objective of estimations or substitutions is to ensure that what is provided is as close as practicable to the expected actual site usage

“The MDP must use reasonable endeavours to ensure that the estimates or substitutions provided align with the likely usage for that NMI;”

2. New Substitution Methodology: Create a new substitution Methodology that allows MDPs to scale either meter data or an existing substitution or estimation Type by a factor that is greater than zero but no more than 3 times for prescribed reasons.
3. Standard Prescribed reasons: List of prescribed reasons that would support the use of the new substitution method.

Other Business

Meghan Bibby, AEMO

Other Business – B2B eHub Interface Testing

Joe Castellano, Origin

- AEMO eHub tests are to see if the new B2B party has their system set up correctly to accurately interface with the eHub schema and therefore the current list of transaction is sufficient.
- This list of transactions was decided during POC project work
- Is the current list of transactions too extensive for what is actually required?
- If a participant does go through accreditation do they have to test all of the transactions on the list or can they work with AEMO on the number of transactions?

Other Business – Meeting admin

- Actions
- General Questions?
- Future meeting dates are in the Stakeholder Meetings calendar on AEMO's website at <https://aemo.com.au/consultations/industry-forums-and-working-groups/calendar>.
- Meeting packs & notes available at <https://aemo.com.au/en/consultations/industry-forums-and-working-groups/list-of-industry-forums-and-working-groups/electricity-retail-consultative-forum>
- Next meeting **25 March 2021**
- ICFs, CIPs and papers due 11 March 2021
- Groups to outwork papers offline