MINUTES

MEETING:	Information Exchange Committee
DATE:	Monday 30 August 2021
TIME:	11:00 AM (AEST)
LOCATION:	Teleconference
MEMBER ATTENDEES:	Mr John Pittard (Chair) Mr Robert Lo Giudice (metering representative) Mr Doug Ross (discretionary member-metering representative) Mr Peter Van Loon (discretionary member-retailer) Mr Peter Price (distributor representative) Ms Emma Youill (discretionary member-distributor representative) Mr Marco Bogaers (discretionary member-embedded networks)
ALTERNATES:	N/A
APOLOGIES:	Ms Lynne Gallagher (consumer representative) Mr David Markham (retailer representative)
IN ATTENDANCE:	Ms Michelle Norris (AEMO Secretariat) Ms Meghan Bibby (AEMO) Ms Helen Vassos (Plus ES) (B2B-WG representative)

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 11:00 AM.

1. Apologies

The Chairperson noted Lynne Gallagher and David Markham were apologies.

The Chairperson welcomed Helen Vassos (Plus ES) as the B2B-WG representatives.

2. Members' Declarations of Interest

The Chairperson noted that there were no conflicts of interest declared.

3. Compliance with Competition Law

The Chairperson introduced the Competition Law Meeting Protocol.

4. Minutes of previous meeting

The IEC accepted the minutes of the previous meeting without change.

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5. Matters arising

The Chairperson and Secretariat provided an update on the actions from previous meetings. These updates were noted by the IEC. An updated Matters Arising document has been circulated with these Minutes and was accurate at the time these minutes were circulated.

Verbal Briefings

6.1 AEMC Review of Metering Competition

Ed Chan and Alisa Toomey (AEMC) were welcomed by the Chairperson. Ed and Alisa provided an overview of the AEMC Review of Metering Competition that commenced in late 2020. The overview included the consultation so far, and the reference and sub-reference groups established, the policy areas of focus and next steps. The Chair noted that a meeting will be set up so that the IEC can provide feedback on the B2B options as outlined in a Directions Paper to be released in the near future (Action 3008-01).

6.2 Stand Alone Power Systems (SAPS)

Michelle Norris (AEMO) provided an update on the progression of the SAPS regulation which is still being progressed by the SA Parliament. AEMO has been reviewing options to enable the SAPS changes, some of which may have B2B impacts. The IEC discussed the key points and noted AEMO's preferred implementation timeline. The IEC requested a watching brief be maintained on this topic and the action item be closed.

6.3 Consumer Data Right (CDR)

Michelle Norris (AEMO) provided an update on the progression of the CDR. Treasury has issued a new model of peer-to-peer with retailers to provide data access. Treasury has published its draft report for energy CDR and indicated that phasing will commence with obligations for larger retailers first at this stage on 1 October 2022. The IEC discussed the key points including noting there is no impact for the IEC and requested a watching brief continue on this topic.

Matters for Decision

Nil for this meeting.

Matters for Discussion

7. AEMO Regulatory Roadmap

Michelle Norris (AEMO) provided an overview of the expanded version five AEMO Regulatory Roadmap Retail items released in early August, which includes the contingency plan for Five Minute Settlement (5MS) and additional detail around testing and IT release times for some projects.

8. IEC Forward Work Program

Michelle Norris (AEMO) provided an overview of the remaining 2021 activities for the IEC .

9. Update on status of coincident service order options development

Michelle Norris (AEMO) provided an update on the progress of the B2B-WG review of coincident service order options. It was noted that AEMO, on behalf of the B2B-WG, commenced a pre-consultation on 24 August which closes on 10 September 2021. This pre-consultation (discussion) paper tests assumptions and potential solutions to managing coincident service orders for de-energisations and re-energisations across multiple parties.

AEMO will be collating the responses on behalf of industry to manage any potential confidentiality or commercially sensitive matters.

The IEC discussed the paper and how they would assess the issue at a future meeting. It was requested that the B2B-WG provide some assessment of the materiality of the issue (Action 3008-02). It was noted that a summary of the industry feedback would be provided out of session to the IEC.

10. Update on B2B-WG Activities

Helen Vassos (Plus ES) noted that the B2B-WG's recent focus had been on:

- The issues relating to the physical and remote de-energisation and re-energisation coincident service orders, particularly for NSW and SA where the remote services can be used;
- Reviewing the final stage of the B2B Procedures v3.7 consultation in preparation for IEC approval;
- Shared fusing at a premises – whether a suitable B2B transaction exists for communicating the presence of a shared fuse at a premises or if an alternative approach such as an email is appropriate; and
- The possibility of two new change proposals for the IEC to consider in the near future on shared fusing and GPS coordinates.

Other Business

11. IEC forward meeting dates

Michelle Norris (AEMO) noted the proposed dates for the next four IEC meetings.

12. Other matters

The IEC noted the:

- release of the Energy Security Board's papers and that they will need to consider the implications for B2B in the new year.
- Victorian governments work on embedded networks.The IEC requested a link to the review of embedded networks in Victoria (Action 3008-03).

Chairperson closing comments

Meeting Close

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 12:30pm.

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John Pittard **Date:** 30 August 2021

IEC Chair