

MEETING RECORD

MEETING: Wholesale Demand Response Consultative Group (WDR CG)
 DATE: Tuesday, 18 May 2021
 TIME: 10:30am – 12:30pm
 LOCATION: WebEx only
 MEETING NUMBER #11

ATTENDEES:

NAME	COMPANY
Ruth Guest	AEMO (Chair)
Alice Michener	AEMO
Anna Livsey	PIAC
Anthony Croce	Infigen
Ben Pryor	Shell Energy
Christophe Bechia	Red Energy
Claire Richards	Enel X
Craig Keenan	Origin
Damian Edwards	CQ Energy
Daniel Barber	DNA energy
Emily Brodie	AEMO
Huzaifa Mohib	World-Kinect
Ian Jefferyes	Brave Energy
James Tetlow	Overwatch Energy
John Chiodo	Local Energy
Justin Wearne	Energetiq
Katalin Foran	AEMO
Joseph Giddings	Energy One
Katalin Foran	AEMO
Kate Reid	AEMO
Kevin Gupta	AEMO
Kyle Auret	AGL
Luc van Duinen	Hydro Tasmania
Madhuri Malhotra	AEMO
Madison Pigliardo	AEMO
Michael Zammit	VIOTAS
Nigel John	Energy Australia
Rhiannon Davies	ACCC
Sam Martin	AEMC
Greg Zooeff	Nyrstar

NOTE: some attendees who joined through WebEx and phone may not have been identified. Please advise via email to WDR@aemo.com.au if you attended the meeting but have not been noted above.

Disclaimer - This document provides an overview of the main points of discussion at an industry forum convened by AEMO on 18 May 2021 to provide information and invite perspectives and feedback on matters relating to Wholesale Demand Response implementation. Readers, please note that:

- This document is a summary only and is not a complete record of discussion at the forum.
- For presentation purposes, some points have been grouped together by theme and do not necessarily appear in the order they were discussed.
- The views expressed at the forum and reflected here are not necessarily those of AEMO.

1. Welcome (R. Guest, slides 1- 5)

Attendees were welcomed to the WDR CG meeting. AEMO noted that the meeting was being recorded for the purposes of preparing meeting notes.

Agenda was presented.

2. Update on potential 5MS impacts on WDR (R.Guest, slides 6 – 10)

AEMO presented an update on potential 5MS impacts on WDR including the effect of the Retail IT platform deployment delay on WDR DRSP registration process and PMS implementation.

AEMO presented the next steps, the 5MS contingency planning in place and signalled a discussion during the next WDR CG meeting on a WDR contingency plan.

Energy Australia noted that it was important for AEMO to confirm its WDR industry testing dates so that the industry can plan.

ACTION 11-02-01: WDR CG to provide feedback on slide 10 of the meeting pack by writing to wdr@aemo.com.au by 28 May 2021. The 2 questions open for feedback are:

- What potential impacts to your program do you have concerns about?
- What would you like considered/communicated around WDR contingency?

3. Notes, actions and feedback from previous meeting (R. Guest, slides 11 - 12)

The draft meeting notes from WDR CG meeting #10 were endorsed by the WDR CG and will be published as final on the AEMO website.

There were no questions or comments from the WDR CG on this agenda item.

4. WDR industry risk register (R. Guest, slides 13 – 16)

AEMO confirmed that no feedback was received for the WDR industry risk register and that it assumes the WDR CG agrees to the proposed approach in managing the register.

There were no questions or objections raised to changes to R3 from the group in this section.

ACTION 11-03-01: WDR CG to review the risk register and provide feedback on any aspect of it by Tue 1 June.

ACTION 11.03.02: AEMO to review the risk register and any WDR CG feedback for consideration at the next WDR CG meeting.

5. Stakeholder update (R. Guest, slides 17 - 18)

AEMO presented details of upcoming WDR engagement with the most imminent being the WDR registrations workshop scheduled for 28 May and the proposed agenda for June WDR CG meeting.

No comments or questions from the WDR CG on this agenda item.

6. Debrief on ENA WDR endorsement workshop (R. Guest, slides 19 – 20)

AEMO debriefed on the ENA WDR endorsement workshop held on 11 May. AEMO highlighted the intent of the meeting and the concerns raised by the DRSPs specifically around clarity, consistency and timelines for endorsement process. ENA has plans to develop a formal strawperson endorsement process document for consideration of DNSP/DRSP.

Viotas queried if there is a consistent process being aimed at considering DNSPs have different rules between each other. AEMO confirmed that consistency in process is critical and that the ENA and DNSPS have a common understanding that process consistency is desirable.

7. Final determination: Baselines eligibility, compliance and metrics policy (K. Foran, slides 21 – 23)

AEMO thanked all who contributed to final determination consultation through discussions and meetings and confirmed that the final determination is due for publication on 20 May. AEMO summarised the topics discussed in the final determination that include:

- Accuracy threshold
- Bias threshold
- 20% adjustment cap
- Reviewing WDRM and grandfathering of baseline eligibility
- New baseline methodologies

There were no questions or comments from the WDR CG in this section.

8. Predictability of Load Calculator (A.Michener, slides 24 – 34)

AEMO presented the PoL assessment process and the outputs of PoL assessments. Example of PoL calculation was presented focusing on the various methodology parameters and the variable inputs when calculating baseline values. AEMO provided a working demonstration of the tool and walked the participants through the mechanism of estimating NMI baseline metrics prior to registration. The participants were made aware of the availability of the tool on AEMO website in the coming weeks and the accompanying documents for assistance.

Local Energy enquired if the accuracy and bias thresholds will be adjusted as more 5-minute meter data becomes available. AEMO responded that some pseudo-5-minute data had been provided by a DNSP and tested. Unsurprisingly this showed more increased variability as the effect of 30-minute smoothing of load was removed. AEMO will be able to assess baseline eligibility based on meter data in 30- or 15-minute intervals. The materiality of the impact of 5-minute data on eligibility of NMI will become clear as we move into that world and at this point a determination can be made as to whether the metrics require review.

9. Summary of feedback on post-event dispatch conformance framework (M. Pigliardo, slides 35 – 37)

AEMO presented an overview of the feedback received that include:

- Clarity on 24/7 monitoring and response requirements
- Increase the WDR interval error threshold for over-delivery
- Improve declaration of non-conformance rules explanation

AEMO gave its response to the feedback including the changes and updates made to the document.

No questions or comments from the group in this section.

10. Approach to updating MSATS tech spec for WDR (A. Estrella, slides 38 – 43)

AEMO presented the process of updating the MSATS technical specification. The WDR Retail change heat map was laid out showing where the new DRSP participant type and related attributes would be added. A summary of WDR impact on Retail lifecycle and changes to it was illustrated by AEMO. AEMO concluded with a high-level overview of MSATS tech spec changes for WDR and an updated timeline.

There were no questions or comments from the audience in this section.

11. Approach to Industry Testing Plan (P. Zacharopolous, slides 44 – 47)

AEMO covered the various topics covered in the Test Plan document accompanied by WDR Industry Test Workbook. A proposed schedule for Test Plan which is a 2-week delay compared to the initial schedule was presented and the impact of this delay was up for discussion. AEMO thanked Origin for its feedback.

No other questions or comments from the audience.

12. Portfolio Management System update and stakeholder feedback session (M.Malhotra, slides 48 – 50)

AEMO walked the group through mock-ups of the Portfolio Management System and how the DRSPs would be able to effectively use it in a real-life scenario. A demonstration of the tool was presented while emphasising that AEMO is seeking feedback on the data and how it is grouped/presented.

ACTION 11-12-01: WDR CG to provide feedback to the PMS tool via wdr@aemo.com.au

13. General questions (R. Guest, slide 51)

No general questions or comments from the audience. Attendees were thanked for their attendance and contributions.

ACTION ITEMS RAISED AT WDR CG MEETINGS

ITEM	TOPIC	ACTION REQUIRED	RESPONSIBLE	DUE BY
11-02-01	Update on potential 5MS impacts on WDR.	WDR CG to provide feedback on slide 10 of the meeting pack by writing to wdr@aemo.com.au	WDR CG	28 May 2021
11-03-01	WDR industry risk register	WDR CG to review the risk register and provide feedback on any aspect of it by Tue 1 June.	WDR CG	1 June 2021
11-03-02	WDR industry risk register	AEMO to review the risk register and any WDR CG feedback for consideration at the next WDR CG meeting.	AEMO	Ongoing
11-12-01	Portfolio Management System update and stakeholder feedback session	WDR CG to provide feedback on the Portfolio Management System to wdr@aemo.com.au	WDR CG	1 June 2021