

MEETING RECORD

MEETING: Wholesale Demand Response Consultative Group (WDR CG)
 DATE: Tuesday, 16 March 2021
 TIME: 10:30am – 12:30pm
 LOCATION: WebEx only
 MEETING NUMBER #09

ATTENDEES:

NAME	COMPANY
Adam Day	AER
Andrew Ely	VIOTAS
Anna Livsey	PIAC
Ben Pryor	Shell Energy
Claire Richards	Enel X
Damian Edwards	CQ Energy
Dan Mascarenhas	Alinta
Greg Zooeff	Nyrstar
John Chiodo	Local Energy
Joseph Giddings	Energy One
Kyle Auret	AGL
Natalie Junge	Infigen Energy
Pip Eastgate	AER
Rhiannon Davies	AER
Sam Martin	AEMC
Shaun Cole	Origin Energy
Chetna Mishra	AEMO
Ruth Guest (Chair)	AEMO
Emily Brodie	AEMO
Katalin Foran	AEMO

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 16 March 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. Notes, actions and feedback from previous meeting (E. Brodie, slides 6 - 7)

The draft meeting notes from WDR CG meeting #8 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.

3. Stakeholder update (E. Brodie, slides 10 – 13)

AEMO presented the key documents due for publication in the month of March. This was followed by details on upcoming WDR engagement. AEMO then provided an update on indicative program schedule noting the update to the MSATS technical specification that have been made to accommodate customer switching and timing of the EMMS data model update for WDR.

There were no questions or comments from the audience.

4. WDR registration: Implementation process (R. Guest, slides 14 - 17)

AEMO gave context around the WDR Portfolio Management System (PMS) implementation and potential impacts if the 5MS MDM deployment is late.

AEMO acknowledged the 4 responses provided by WDR CG members and briefly went over the options to manage any impacts to the PMS implementation. AEMO laid out the next steps commencing Mar/Apr until June 2021 including the introduction of a WDR industry risks and issues register.

There were no comments or questions from the audience.

5. Baseline eligibility and compliance metrics policy update (K. Foran, slides 18 – 30)

AEMO acknowledged the receipt of 6 submissions to first round consultation and outlined the key issues covered in the draft/submissions report.

In the following slides, AEMO briefly explained each of the issues:

1. Accuracy threshold
2. Bias threshold
3. Future changes to baseline metrics
4. Alternative baseline methodologies
5. Eligibility and compliance TIs window
6. Eligibility/compliance excluded days

7. Effect of the 20% accuracy threshold on demand forecasts
8. Effect of the 20% accuracy threshold on the spot market
9. Restricting bidding to baseline day type

Enel X queried whether submissions on the eligibility issues paper will be published and AEMO confirmed this would be the case. AEMO also confirmed that requests for new baselines will only be open sometime next year (to be confirmed in final WDR Guidelines) in response to a query from Local Energy.

6. Update on WDR procedure changes (E.Brodie, slides 31 – 33)

AEMO acknowledged receipt of 6 submissions to the draft Retail and B2B procedures and draft determinations from stakeholders (with 14 received in the first round). AEMO touched upon the key themes and briefly covered the changes from draft to final.

AEMO confirmed that there were no submissions made to market and system operations draft determination and consequently no changes from draft to final

No actions or further comments in this section.

7. WDR participation guidelines updates (AER, slides 34 – 39)

AER presented on its role in WDR implementation including:

- Developing the WDR Participation Guidelines: The issues paper is now out for consultation with submissions due by Friday, 23 April 2021.
- Responsibility for considering updates to the Rebidding and Technical Parameters Guidelines and Contracts and Firmness Guidelines. AER confirmed that no amendments to the Rebidding Guidelines are required at this time to accommodate WDR.

No further comments or questions in this section.

8. Debrief on WDR stakeholder engagement pulse survey (E.Brodie and C.Mishra, slides 40 – 44)

AEMO presented the results from the pulse survey conducted in February and laid out the next steps based on the inputs received and concerns raised by the respondents. AEMO thanked all those who participated in the survey.

No further comments or questions in this section.

General questions (R. Guest, slide 45)

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
NO ACTIONS				
