Meeting Notes – B2B-WG

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| MEETING: | Business-to-Business Working Group |
| DATE: | Tuesday, 14 June 2022 |
| TIME: | 9:30am-12:00pm |
| LOCATION: | Teleconference |
| meeting #: | 07 |
| CONTACT | [b2bwg@aemo.com.au](mailto:b2bwg@aemo.com.au) |

ATTENDEES:

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| Name | Company |
| Blaine Miner (Chair) | AEMO |
| Nandu Datar | AEMO |
| Meghan Bibby | AEMO |
| Kate Gordon | AEMO |
| Aakash Sembey | Origin Energy |
| Adrian Honey | TasNetworks |
| Carla Adolfo | intelliHub |
| Christophe Bechia | Red/Lumo |
| David Woods | SA Power Networks |
| Helen Vassos | PLUS ES |
| Justin Betlehem | AusNet Services |
| Mark Riley | AGL |
| Paul Greenwood | VectorAMS |
| Robert Lo Giudice | Alinta Energy |
| Mathew Tanzer | EnergyQueensland |
| Wayne Farrell | Yurika |

# Preliminary matters

## Acknowledgment and Apologies

Lenard Bull, Graeme Ferguson and Robert Mitchell were noted as an apology.

## Confirm agenda

The B2B-WG confirmed the agenda. No other items.

## Action items from previous meeting and standing list of consultation items

Blaine Miner (AEMO) noted that the following items were being proposed to be closed since the last meeting, responsible owners were asked to provide the group an explanation as to why the actions should be closed:

| **Action Meeting Date** | **Description** | **Responsible** | **Outcome** |
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| 0803-04 | B2B WG to consider the objective of the B2B guide. The meeting discussion noted the following points, - Some sections of the guide could be misleading in relation to a specific jurisdiction. - How does the guide compare with distributor's handbook? - Consider categorising the guide into (a) supporting information about B2B transactions and (b) jurisdictional or network organisation specific processes. - Remove distributor specific information and refer participant to the distributor for specific processes. - Remove specific contents that were captured as 'point in time'. - Improve formatting of the guide to make the information more useful and accessible. | B2B-WG | 10/05 - now progressed by action items 1005-08 and 1005-09 |
| 0803-05 | Develop 2 to 3 questions covering the points noted in action 0803-04 to survey the wider participants | B2B WG | 10/05 - now progressed by action items 1005-08 and 1005-09 |
| 0803-11 | Progress work on fields tied to an Australian Standard | Kate Gordon(AEMO), Mark Riley(AGL) | This replaces action item 2001-01 which was previously closed. 10/05 - An ongoing action (1005-01) created to keep alignment going between aseXML schema and Australian Standard. |
| 1204-04 | Draft an ICF on potential gap in NEM RoLR Process | Mark Riley (AGL), Aakash Sembey (Origin) | 10/05 - Create a new action item to support ICFs for this action and character length for Hazard description |
| 1204-05 | Obtain more details on character length for Hazard description and submit a draft ICF if required | Aakash Sembey (Origin) | 10/05 - Create a new action item to support ICFs for this action and gap in NEM RoLR process |
| 1204-06 | Add agenda item to the MSDR FG to discuss inconsistences between MSATS and B2B e.g. house number 1 and house number 2 , control load etc | Blaine Miner (AEMO) | 10/05 - This item is now on the agenda for the MSDR focus group and its outcome will be available for consideration by the B2B-WG |
| 1005-03 | Create a placeholder to review submissions and draft final report | Nandu Datar (AEMO) | 11/05 - Placeholder meeting on 9 June 2022 created |
| 1005-07 | Send email requesting B2B WG members to suggest survey questions for improvement of B2B Guide | Nandu Datar (AEMO) | 11/05 - Email sent to B2B-WG |
| 1005-08 | Suggest survey questions for B2B Guide by responding to the email | B2B-WG | Feedback received from B2B WG members |

Discussion on Open action items:

* 1005-04 – The reasoning related to life support will be provided as part of the CDR draft report.
* 1005-05 and 1005-06 are to be held over until further details are available from AEMO’s IESS project team.

# Items for discussion or noting

## B2M Update – Blaine Miner (AEMO)

Discussion:

* Blaine Miner (AEMO) provided an overview of the current B2M activities, more details were provided in the appendix of the slide pack.

Actions:

* None

## IEC ICFs – Current and emerging – B2B WG

1. Alignment of B2B field lengths to B2M procedures/schema

Discussion:

* Blaine Miner (AEMO) noted that 5 fields have been identified to date which have inconsistencies between the B2M and B2B procedures.
* Aakash Sembey (Origin) stated that the purpose of this ICF was to harmonise the field lengths in both sets of procedures.
* Aakash proposed that the harmonisation of all fields should occur as part of the next schema release.
* Aakash noted that another ICF related to HouseNumberToSuffix has been raised with the ERCF.
* Mark Riley (AGL) noted that in the 2019 amended standards, some fields lengths have changed.
  + Mark proposed to add these changes to Aakash’s ICF.
* Adrian Honey (TasNetworks), and others, questioned the value of harmonising these fields, costs vs benefits.

Actions:

* Mark Riley to update Aakash’s ICF.
* B2B WG to consider the implications of these proposed changes on their organisations, to help inform next steps at the next meeting.

1. Gap in NEM RoLR process

Discussion:

* Aakash Sembey (Origin) spoke to the ICF and noted that the existing LNSP obligations should also apply to other service providers.
* Helen Vassos (PLUS ES) suggested the use of a list of service providers and just reference to service provider in the relevant clause.
  + Further discussion proposed amending the entire clause to refer to service providers instead of specific list of providers. Aakash to amend the clause and provide to the B2B WG for review.
* Related but not applicable to the ICF at hand, Robert Lo Giudice noted that considering the recent RoLR events, AEMO and the AER should expand their communication to all market Participants.

Actions:

* B2B WG to review the amended clause in the RoLR procedure and provide feedback.
* Megahn Bibby to take the feedback, re RoLR communication, back into AEMO for consideration

## Improve B2B Guide update

Discussion:

* Nandu Datar (AEMO) noted the proposed scale of 1 to 5. Nandu questioned the value of having 5 levels in the scale.
* Nandu also noted the inclusion of an additional question relating to combining the B2B procedures.
* Mark Riley believed that the 5 scales were appropriate and suggested that the survey should be tested with the B2B WG members prior to its circulation to broader stakeholders.

Actions:

* Mark Riley to review the survey.
* Nandu Datar to send the survey to B2B WG members for trialling and feedback.
* Nandu Datar to make any required changes to the survey, to reflect B2B WG feedback, prior to sending it to broader stakeholders.

# Other business

## Wrap-up, actions, questions, parked issues

The next B2B-WG meeting is scheduled for 12 July 2022.

Parked items:

* None