INFORMATION EXCHANGE COMMITTEE MEETING

FOR DISCUSSION

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON B2B-WG ACTIVITIES

AGENDA ITEM: 11

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this paper is to report on the status of action items currently being discussed by the B2B Working Group (B2B-WG).

2. DISCUSSION

Since the February 2020 IEC meeting, the B2B-WG have met four times to deliver the actions assigned by the IEC and identify other business processes which require improvements. The major areas of focus of the B2B-WG currently include:

- B2B V3.4 and V3.5 consultations;
- Matters to include in the future V3.6 B2B procedural consultation;
- Development of life support change requests to improve the efficiency and clarity of current B2B procedures;
- Issues with the physical and remote de-enenergisation and re-energisation service orders in NSW and SA; and
- Potential removal of the moratorium on remote de-enenergisation and re-energisation service orders in NSW.

An update is provided on each of these matters in the following sections.

2.1. B2B V3.4 and V3.5 consultation updates

AEMO sought IEC approval to conduct an additional round of consultation on the B2B Procedures by circular on 2 April 2020. This was approved.

The Second Draft Report of the B2B consultation was published on AEMO's website on 29 April 2020. Submissions close on 27 May 2020. The B2B-WG will meet on 5 June to discuss and respond to participant submissions.

Implementation of the matters consulted on has been separated into two tranches, which are detailed in the table below.

Changes	B2B V3.4 - 1 July 2021 (5MS)	B2B V3.5 - 10 November 2021 (One Way Notification and Service Order enhancements)
Customer Site Details Notification Process	Amended (Version control only)	Amended (Version control only)

Meter Data Process	Amended (Version control only)	Amended (Version control only)
One Way Notification Process	Amended (Version control only)	Amended (Procedure changes)
Service Order Process	Amended (Version control only)	Amended (Procedure changes)
Technical Delivery Specification Process	Amended (Procedure changes)	Amended (Procedure changes)

The Final Report is due to be published on 8 July 2020, with effective dates of 1 July and 10 November 2021 for each tranch of changes as detailed in the previous table.

2.2. B2B V3.6 (future) consultation requirements

The Wholesale Demand Response (WDR) rule change (update provided in Agenda item 9) as well as B2B change requests for Life Support (refer to Agenda item 12) and the National Electricity Market (NEM) Retailer of Last Resort (RoLR) (refer to Agenda item 13) will require a B2B procedural changes.

AEMO recommends commencing consultation by Thursday 30 July 2020, with a Final Report to be published on 30 November 2020. This will avoid consultation occurring across the Christmas, New Year and Australia Day public holiday and school holiday period. The Australian Energy Market Commission's (AEMCs) draft determination recommends introducing the WDR changes in late October 2021. In order to complete the consultaion to determine any (likely) system changes, the consultation for WDR needs to be completed during 2020 to enable any system changes to be accommodated prior to October 2021.

2.3. Physical and remote de-energisation/re-energisation service orders (NSW and SA)

The B2B-WG has identified several issues arising from de-energisation and re-energisation service orders in NSW and SA. These issues have been mapped by the B2B-WG and are to be discussed in future meetings. A survey has been circulated across industry for participants to provide further detail for their issues and proposed solutions. At this stage there are no specific proposals or a timeframe for solutions for the issues identified.

It is not yet known if any future proposals will require B2B procedure or system changes. If changes are identified, the B2B-WG will look to include these changes in the v3.6 consultation.

2.4. NSW update on changes to remote de-energisation/re-energisation

The NSW moratorium on remote re-energisation and de-energisation is due to expire on 1 June 2020. As such, remote re-energisation and de-energisation can commence in NSW as long as market participants meet NSW regulatory requirements.

It is not yet known if the lifting of the moratorium will require B2B procedure or system changes. If it does, the B2B-WG will look to include these changes in the v3.6 consultation.

3. B2B WORKING GROUP RESOURCE EFFORT

In November 2018 the IEC requested that a resource impact be captured for each action referred to the B2B-WG for analysis. The following table provides an overview of the current work impacts for B2B-WG members and for the AEMO Secretariat.

Note that the resource impact only reflects attendance at meetings and workshops and does not reflect additional time spent by the AEMO Secretariat or B2B-WG members in preparing for meetings and workshops and consulting with other Participants.

IEC action requested	25 November 2019
Start date of work	29 October 2019
Due date for finalisation	30 November 2020
Overview of analysis	Issues summarised and solutions proposed. Developed Report, updated Procedures and Guide. Analysed and responded to submissions.
Delivery effort B2BWG and AEMO Secretariat	39.5 hours of meetings and workshops

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the IEC notes:

- The ongoing work being conducted by the B2B-WG; and
- timing of future potential consultations under development by the B2B-WG.

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