INFORMATION EXCHANGE COMMITTEE MEETING

FOR DISCUSSION

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON B2B-WG ACTIVITIES

AGENDA ITEM: 9

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 2022 IEC meeting, the B2B-WG has met for further discussion and input on matters relating to the following:

- Consultation v3.8 B2B initial Draft Report
- Integrating Energy Storage Systems (IESS)
- Updating of B2B Guide
- Gap in NEM RoLR Process

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

2.1. Consultation v3.8 B2B Procedures Consultation

Members of the B2B-WG have met to provide feedback and input to finalise the initial Draft Report for the v3.8 Procedure Consultation. The initial Draft Report and Determination was published on 18 May 2022 with response submissions closing on 1 June 2022.

2.2. Integrating Energy Storage Systems (IESS)

Rosie Elkins (AEMO) presented to the B2B-WG on the IESS topic. There were queries about the proposed approach for industry engagement. Rosie Elkins (AEMO) noted that the first step is to publish the regulatory approach document, which will outline the outcome of initial review, and then provide further details as to AEMO intends on engaging industry. An out of session meeting was held on 23 March to provide a more detailed summary of the IESS rules and a high-level design. The B2B-WG have been asked to complete a high level impact assessment by 31 May 2022.

2.3. Updating and improvement of the B2B Guide

Discussions have been held in regards to identifying issues with the contents of the B2B Guide, proposed changes and improving the formatting of the guide. The B2B-WG are currently preparing a survey to pose questions to the wider group of participants to consider the objective and value of the guide and gain feedback to assess further development.

2.4. Gap in NEM RoLR Process

It was noted there was an incorrect reference in clause 104.5 of the NEM RoLR process. Further investigation of the issue identified a potential gap in the procedure where obligations similar to the LNSP did not exist for the roles MC, MP and MDP. The obligation relates to ensuring the service order (SO) response contains all fields according to the B2B procedure SO process. Feedback was received from the B2B-WG and an ICF is being drafted in regard to this issue.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the IEC notes the ongoing work being conducted by the B2B-WG.

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