

POC Program Consultative Forum No.7 Meeting Notes

MEETING: POC Program Consultative Forum (PCF)
DATE: Thursday 23 March 2017
TIME: 10:00 AM - 12:00PM
LOCATION: AEMO Offices Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide-
 Video/Teleconference

Attendees:

David Woods	SA Power Networks
Greg Neilson	Ergon Energy
Donna Baldwin for Doug Miles	Energex
Michelle Norris	Ergon Energy Queensland
Debbie Voltz	Essential Energy
Peter Meywes	Pooled Energy
Dino Ou	Endeavour Energy
Alex Fattal	NSW Government
Paul Cliff	Origin Energy
Warren Brooks	Tas Networks
Michael Monck	ActewAGL
Simon McCabe	Department of Environ, Land, Water and Planning
Andrew Peart	AGL
Phil Gardiner	Citipower and Powercor
Roy Thompson	Ausnet Services
Emma Youii	Ausnet Services
Richard McNaulty	United Energy
Felicia Brady	Energy Australia
Bob Poker	Alinta Energy
Antara Mascarenhas	AEMO
Aakash Sembey	Simply Energy
Darren Bailey	Origin Energy
Chris Hookey	Red Energy
Jacinta Daws	Jemena
Shavneel Nand	AEMO
Chris Cormack	AEMO
Tim Sheridan	AEMO (Chair until Ben arrived)
Ben Healy	AEMO
Mike Ryan	AEMO
Jennifer Fikret	AEMO (Minute Taker)

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1.0 APOLOGIES

Nil

2.0 WELCOME

Attendees were welcomed to the Program Consultative Forum

3.0 PROGRAM UPDATE

System Work Group – B. Healy (Slide 3)

The SWG meeting next week will split into focus groups working through functioning of low volume interface, market services and peer-to-peer services.

EN MSATS changes – being released into pre-prod environment. Work book for testing scenarios will be discussed at 5 April ITWG.

D. Baldwin, Energex queried if MSATS change during pre-prod will BAU be updated that industry testing is conducted on. **Action: D. Baldwin to discuss with B. Healy.**

The Program Test Plan timing is still a little fluid, however EN MC will finish by June. Participants may not be ready to test EN MC and this will be discussed at ITWG on the 5 April. On 22 May a patch is being released, and those not ready to test in April are encouraged to commence on 22 May.

Procedures – T. Sheridan (Slide 8)

The Small Customer Metering Installation Guideline will now be published as part of Work Package 3. This is due to the large amount of feedback received on the draft guideline during the Package 2 consultation.

At the PWG on 24 February Meter Churn was discussed. AEMO is currently developing a paper on the Meter Churn Process and will circulate this paper once its ready. Any enquires on Meter Churn should be directed to poc@aemo.com.au.

B2B Procedures – final determination and report was published on 6 March. The 'As Built' consultation will commence on 12 April and the final determination is expected to be published on 3 November. This is to correct any manifest errors in Procedures.

Translation Table – IEC requested AEMO to look at a Translation Table. However AEMO have advised the IEC it cannot be completed by 1 December. **Action: Slide pack to be amended on last point from “will be possible” to “will not be possible”**

R Thompson requested his concerns on stepping through transition decisions be noted.

Readiness

The next RWG meeting is on 4 April. The group will be reviewing the second draft of Industry Accreditation and Registration plan and continue its initial discussions on transition and cutover planning.

The next ITWG meeting is on 5 April. The group will be reviewing the second draft of the Industry Test Strategy and the second draft of Industry Test Plan/Test Workbook for the EN & MC changes.

Readiness Reporting for March - Status remained amber, with an increase in participants to 32. A list of those who have not submitted is included in the spreadsheet and AEMO is contacting them to engage.

Issues in Readiness Reports – There was uncertainty with Victorian Government decision and compressed timeframes with design, built testing, registration and accreditation, along with meter churn processes. Also additional changes in B2B procedures were a concern and the B2B WG will discuss this moving forward.

Readiness issues will be circled back to the PCF and key timeframes.

Watching Briefs – Simon McCabe, Victorian Government spoke on the topic.

Deferred Metering – the current status quo will remain in place until 1 Jan 2021. The Victorian Government do not wish to place additional costs on households and small business in regional areas. Deferring can allow monitoring of competition and can be introduced at a later date. A review and consultation will take place with stakeholders to weigh costs and benefits. The Victorian Government don't plan to extend the existing derogation arrangements through AMI Orders. They will continue with the Victorian Meter Reference Group to discuss issues and ensure a smooth transition. The work group will meet monthly and have more targeted meetings as required.

R. McNaulty felt meeting monthly is not enough as he wished to stress the importance of a quick resolution.

A. Mascarenhas and C. Cormack will arrange a meeting next week with Victorian PCF members to discuss moving forward options. **Action: A. Mascarenhas to organise meeting next week and invite Victorian Government.**

4.0 OTHER BUSINESS

PCF members were encouraged to put risks forward before the meetings to be discussed.

T. Sheridan will bring to the PCF any issues coming out of the Readiness Working Group. **Action: High level discussion at PCF (perhaps in June) on the principles and decisions which will be coming over next month. Also the readiness criteria to be discussed.**

Alex Baddam from the Victorian Government will be attending the Executive Forum on Monday and the RMCF will be held next Friday.

Next PCF will be Thursday, 20 April 2017.