

# Forum meeting record

Forum:	NEM Reform Implementation Forum #23	
Date:	25 June 2024	
Time:	1:00PM – 3:00PM AEST	
Location:	MS Teams	

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Allan Short	CS Energy	Sean Jennings	Red Energy
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Ranjan Thakur	Energy Australia	Michael Zhang	SA Power Networks
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Laura Peirano	United Energy	Oliver Derum	AEMO
Paul Greenwood	Vector Metering	Paul Lyttle	AEMO
Emily Brodie	AEMO		

1 Welcome (Slides 2-4)

 Members welcomed and agenda outlined. Participants informed that the meeting will be recorded for the purpose of minute taking only.

# 2 Actions & Feedback from Previous Meeting

(Slides 5-6)

All action items were closed.

# 3 2024 / 2025 Release Summary

**Greg Minney (Slides 7-8)** 

 A high-level summary of external milestones against all inflight initiatives summarising from the previous period with details outlined on slide 8 of the accompanying slide pack.

# 4 Pre-production

Greg Minney (Slides 9-10)

AEMO provided the revised retail pre prod dates and outage timings and noted that the Data Model 5.4 is scheduled to be available in pre prod from 25 September 2024. In addition, AEMO noted that access to PDSE will be removed from Friday 28 June 2024.

# 5 Production / Transition Changes

Greg Minney (Slides 11-13)

## Sparse Data Model / Next day Offer

AEMO provided an update on the Sparse Data Model / Next day offer and reminded participants that as
per advice in AEMO Help Desk Bulletin No. 2990 published 14 June 2023, that the fully qualified
NEXT\_DAY\_OFFER reports will be discontinued from 30 November 2024. Further details are available on
slides 12 and 13 of the accompanying slide pack.

#### 6 June 2024 Release

Greg Minney / Emily Brodie (Slides 14-24)

#### Go Live Summary

 AEMO advised that the IESS project has now been completed. An overview of the high-level timeline available on slide 17 of the accompanying slide pack.



#### **Market Trial Feedback**

AEMO provided an overview of feedback received during the IESS market trail. Further details are
outlined on slide 19 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO was appreciative of the feedback and will
take feedback into consideration for future initiatives.

#### **BDU Cutover Plan**

AEMO provided an update on the BDU transition for IESS and advised that a dedicated cutover manager
has been assigned to provide coordination between affected participants and AEMO. Further details on the
transition timing are outlined on slide 21 of the accompanying slide pack.

## Post Go-Live Support / Hypercare

- AEMO presented key information on the Hypercare and post go-live support with further details outlined on slide 23 of the accompanying slide pack.
- In addition AEMO outlined information relating to the IESS mailbox and advised that this inbox will be
  closed following the conclusion of the hypercare period. In addition, reminded participants that the
  following enquires are to be directed to the below areas.
  - BAU enquiries to be via support.hub@aemo.com.au
  - NEM reform program queries to be via NEMReform@aemo.com.au
  - BDU transition and cutover enquiries and communications to be via NEMReform@aemo.com.au

# 7 September 2024 Release

Greg Minney (Slides 25-31)

#### Retail Improvements - Progress Update

AEMO provided a brief summary update on the Retail Market Improvement release for September with
detailed information outlined on slides 27 and 28 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition, AEMO
provided and update on the RMI industry testing strategy with details outlined on slides 29 and 30 of the
accompanying slide pack. Details on the proposed RMI September 2024 readiness approach are outlined
on slide 31 of the accompanying slide pack.

#### 8 October Release

Greg Minney (Slides 32-36)

## October - SCADA Lite

- AEMO advised that the detailed design has been completed which has identified further detailed development requirements which AEMO is now undergoing further detailed planning to accommodate the additional requirements. Availability dates for the following are being revised:
  - Pilot Test period
  - Technical "How-To" Guideline prior to go-live
  - Readiness milestones
  - Details on the timeline for SCADA lite are outlined on slides 35 and 36 of the accompanying slide pack with an expectation that the revised schedule would be available in the next session.



# 9 December 2024 / June 2025 FPP Release

Oliver Derum (Slides 37-40)

 AEMO advised that the overall status is amber with key information and progress summary outlined on slides 38 through to 40 of the accompanying slide pack. All external milestones, including the commencement of Non-Financial Operation and publication of the FPP settlements tech spec, remain on track and are green.

# 10 Metering Services Review

Justin Stute (Slides 41-44)

• AEMO provided a summary of the Metering Services Review (MSR) with an indicative timeline outlined on slide 42 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO noted that a keynote address from Anna Collyer (AEMC Chair) on 12 June 2024 discussed pushing back the Accelerating Smart Meter Deployment final determination because of 'ongoing concerns for customers seeing unexpected changes to their tariffs when smart meters are installed. AEMO will advise participants on changes to the consultation process after the AEMC publish when the final determination date will be. Responses to the Issues Paper for B2M and B2B are due 11 July 2024.

## 11 Other Initiatives

**Greg Minney (Slides 45-51)** 

Raised By	Question/Comment	Response
Ranjan Thakur – Energy Australia	I noticed that there is no FaSI agenda item. Could AEMO provide an update on IDX, IDAM and PC.	AEMO has been progressing its planning activities to support the delivery of the approved IDX, IDAM and PC business case. AEMO will be discussing and confirming next steps with the PCF on 10 July. Outcomes resulting from this discussion will be provided to the IF at its July monthly meeting.
	Is it possible to meet with the FaSI team to obtain an understanding of the detailed planning and what participants can expect from the next level of detail?	As above.
Mark Riley – AGL	Can AEMO provide participants a realistic timeframe on FaSI activities and next steps? This will enable participants to better engage with their senior management and adjust internal resourcing as required.	As above.

## **Enhancing Reserve Information (ERI)**

Oliver Derum

AEMO provided an update on ERI activities with key information and dates outlined on slide 48 of the
accompanying slide pack. AEMO noted that the <u>Draft ERI High-level Implementation Assessment (HLIA)</u>
was published on 7 June, with comments invited by Friday 21 June. AEMO outlined the next steps on slide
47 of the accompanying slide pack.



## Improving Security Frameworks (ISF) for the Energy Transition

**Greg Minney** 

AEMO advised that the first version of the ISF HLIA was <u>published</u> on 31 May. In addition, AEMO plan to
release a second version of the HLIA is scheduled in Q3 2024. AEMO outlined the next steps for the ISF
on slide 50 of the accompanying slide pack.

# 12 Stakeholder Engagement

(Slides 52-54)

## **Upcoming Engagements**

NEM Reform program meeting schedule was provided.

## 13 General Questions and Other business

(Slide 55)

• Queries and feedback may be sent to NEMReform@aemo.com.au.

#### **Participants Environment Support**

Greg Minney (Slides 56-58)

- AEMO requested feedback on the usage and effectiveness of test environments during participant
  development and testing. AEMO advised that the aim is to identify key areas for consideration in
  supporting future initiatives, support key participant development activities and added that there is a need
  to balance supportability, timing and cost. AEMO outlined feedback received and is available on slide 58
  of the accompanying slide pack.
- AEMO will consider the feedback in planning for upcoming initiatives and welcomes any further comments from participants on the key determinants of PDSE usage