INFORMATION EXCHANGE COMMITTEE MEETING

FOR NOTING

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON STATUS OF COINCIDENT SERVICE ORDER OPTIONS DEVELOPMENT

AGENDA ITEM: 9

1. PURPOSE

To provide the IEC with an update on the B2B-WG progress in developing alternative options to manage coincident service orders when using remote services.

2. SUMMARY

AEMO, on behalf of the B2B-WG will be notifying market participants of a pre-consultation which commences on 24 August and closes on 10 September 2021. This pre-consultation (discussion) paper (final draft provided at Attachment 1) was developed collaboratively and includes several options and a series of questions to impacted market participants. It is also designed to test a series of assumptions held by the B2B-WG to determine their relevance to development of the final solution/s to managing coincident service orders for de-energisations and re-energisations.

AEMO will be collating the responses on behalf of industry to manage any potential confidentiality or commercially sensitive matters.

3. BACKGROUND

At the May 2021 meeting, the IEC did not accept the B2B-WG's recommendation to commence consultation on a proposed solution using Notified Parties (NP) to manage coincident service orders.

At this meeting, the IEC tasked the B2B-WG with undertaking further analysis and development of additional options to manage coincident service orders which would:

- Deliver a more complete solution for consumers (which prevents / further reduces consumers being left off supply), compared with the NP Service Order (SO) solution that was presented
- Look at how to resolve isues relating to coincident service orders by considering broader solutions outside of B2B, including MSATS and rule changes

The IEC also asked that the B2B-WG keep in mind the following considerations:

- (if possible) distributors are not to bear (all) costs
- Implementation timeframes within the next 18 months would exclude any requirements for AEMO system or major participant system changes
- AEMO B2B system or MSATS configuration change(s) may be an alternative and should be investigated if an option
- Whether phasing of the introduction of changes e.g. by jurisdiction may have an impact on the completeness, complexity or cost of the proposed solution(s)
- Recommend any jurisdictional discussions may need to occur.

4. ISSUES

In order to explain and clarify the scenarios under which coincident SOs relating to remote de-energisation and re-energisations can occur, a discussion paper was developed which sought to enable participants that are not as familiar with the issues to engage in a less structured way prior to formal consultation on the preferred solution.

The final draft of the Discussion Paper – Solving the challenge of concident service orders for de-energisations and re-energisations – is provided for information. An overview of the feedback from participants will be provided to the IEC in an out-of-session briefing.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

The IEC note that:

- The B2B-WG has developed a pre-consultation discussion paper relating to options to manage coincident service orders for de-energisation and re-energisation for remote services, with submissions closing on 10 September 2021
- AEMO will be collating the responses on behalf of industry to manage any potential confidentiality or commercially sensitive matters
- The B2B-WG will report back to the IEC in an out-of-session briefing.

6. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – (final draft) Discussion Paper – Solving the challenge of concident service orders for de-energisations and re-energisations

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