

# **MINUTES**

MEETING: Information Exchange Committee

DATE: Monday 30 May 2022

TIME: 11:00 PM (AEST)

LOCATION: Teleconference

MEMBER Mr John Pittard (Chair)

ATTENDEES: Mr David Markham (retailer representative)

Ms Carly Irving (metering representative)

Mr Peter Van Loon (discretionary member - retailer)

Mr Marco Bogaers (discretionary member - embedded networks)

APOLOGIES: Mr Peter Price (distributor representative)

Mr Brian Spak (consumer representative)

IN ATTENDANCE: Meghan Bibby (AEMO, IEC Secretariat)

Kate Gordon (AEMO)

Mark Riley, AGL (B2B-WG representative)

Kay Scanlon, Observer (AEMO)

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 9.02am(AEST).

#### 1. Apologies

The Chairperson noted:

• Peter Price (distributor representative) and Brian Spak (consumer representative) as apologies.

The Chairperson welcomed:

- Ms Carly Irving (Yurika) as the new metering representative and her first IEC meeting.
- Ms Kay Scanlon (AEMO), will be an observer at two IEC meetings to gain an understanding of the IEC functions as part of her role for future insurance arrangements.
- Mark Riley (AGL) B2B-WG representative for this meeting.

#### 2. Members' Declarations of Interest

The Chairperson noted that there were no conflicts of interest declared.

# 3. Compliance with Competition Law

The Chairperson introduced the Competition Law Meeting Protocol.

#### 4. Minutes of previous meeting

The IEC accepted the minutes of the previous meeting.

The Chairperson asked for clarification in regard to IESS and when it would be seen as body of work for the IEC.

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) the IEC is likely to see this in the second half of of this calendar year. The IESS project are currently working through B2M impacts and discussions around NMI classifications are a potential trigger for B2B changes but is currently in it's infancy.

The Chairperson questioned if there would be B2B impacts. Meghan Bibby (AEMO) noted impacts are to be expected, even if it is simply recognising the new IRP role and new definitions in the B2B procedures/guide.

# 5. Matters arising

The matters arising were reviewed.

#### 6. Verbal Briefings

#### 6.1 Current B2B Procedure consultation

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) provided an update on the progression of the current B2B procedure consultation. Meghan Bibby noted that the consultation first draft was published on 18 May 2022 with submissions due this week. Meghan thanked the B2B working group for their work.

The week of 22 July will be when the IEC will be asked for their approval of the final report and procedures, with an effective date of 30 May 2023. The IEC discussed the timing and decided that this approval will be via circular.

# 6.2 Integrated Energy Storage Systems (IESS)

Meghan Bibby provided an update on the progression of IESS. It was noted that the first interim release will not impact B2B, however, B2B will be impacted by the second release in 2024 Meghan Bibby noted that a meeting will be held with the B2B-WG to assess the high level impacts once further information on the business to market changes are known.

#### 6.3 Review of the Regulatory Framework for Metering

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) provided an update on the progression of the AEMC Metering Competition Review. The review commenced in late 2020, however, due to high amounts of work the review was paused. The AEMC has restarted the review and expects the work completed by the end of 2022. The IEC discussed their involvement and requested the Secretariat reach out to the AEMC to understand their involvement and the Review's parameters.

Action: IEC Secretariat to contact the AEMC in regard to the IEC's involvement in the Review of the Regulatory Framework for Metering.

# 6.4 Consumer Data Rights (CDR)

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) provided an update on the progression of the CDR. It was noted that retailers will be the primary data holders, with AEMO the secondary data holder for standing data, metering data and DER data.

CDR is currently working towards a November tranche 1 release for the big three retailers, EnergyAustralia, AGL and Origin. AEMO is currently in the process of setting up the APIs required to transfer the data across from the AEMO systems to retailer systems. Industry testing has been scheduled to begin in June/July.

CDR has no B2B impacts and this agenda item is closed.

### 7. Update on B2B-WG Activities

Mark Riley (AGL) spoke to the activities of the B2B-WG.

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 B2B-WG update paper.

In addition to these items, Mark Riley (AGL) noted that two separate, but similar issues have been identified in respect of the industry transactions.

- There are different field lengths between some fields common to B2B and B2M. This inconsistency in field lengths will lead to data truncation or transaction failure.
- The B2B procedures specifically reference the 1999 Australian Standard for addressing and naming. However, the electricity schema references the current standard. A review recently completed of changes to the Australian Standard have shown that there are changes to addressing enumerations and to some field lengths, which will also lead to truncation or failed transactions.

A Change Request is being developed by Origin and AGL to formally start the industry process to fully scope the issue and commence consultation on removing the issue.

#### **Other Business**

#### 8. IEC forward meeting dates

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) noted the proposed date for the next IEC meetings in 29 August 2022.

### 9. Other matters

Meghan Bibby (AEMO) noted that under various reforms, including WDR and IESS, there are new roles being introduced into the market. The question is whether these roles should

be represented on the IEC either now or in the fut would be required yet, but will review in the future	
Chairperson closing comments	
Meeting Close	
The Chairperson closed the meeting at 11:28pm.	
John Pittard	<b>Date:</b> 30 May 2022

**IEC Chair**