

## MEETING RECORD

MEETING: WA Gas Forecasting Reference Group (FRG)  
 DATE: Wednesday, 7 October 2020  
 TIME: 1.00 PM AWST  
 LOCATION: Microsoft Teams

### ATTENDEES:

NAME	COMPANY
Daniel Collins (Chair)	AEMO
Joachim Tan	AEMO
Cameron Parrotte	AEMO
Luke Dowling	AEMO
Robin Parsons	AEMO
Cameron Potter	AEMO
Jay Stein	AEMO
Grace Liu	AEMO
Abbas Mohammadi	AEMO
Ali Habibi Khalaj	AEMO
Siobhan Attwood	AEMO
Ebby Thomas	AEMO
Bella Pennington	AEMO
Levi Rosenbaum	AEMO
Andrew Turley	AEMO
Rebecca Petchey	AEMO
Greg Staib	AEMO
Deborah Marsh	AEMO
Nick Culpitt	AEMO
Neetika Kapani	AEMO
Justy Park	AEMO
Mark Riley	AGL
Paul Bresloff-Barry	Agora Retail
Oscar Carlberg	Alinta
Audelle Hong	Alinta
Nicholle Langer	Alinta
Neil Stockdale	Alinta
Sam Lei	Alinta
John McFarlane	APA
Paul Arias	Bluewaters
Christopher D'Costa	Chevron
Sieu Vuong	Chevron
Dominic Rodwell	Citic Pacific
Bryon Mclaughlin	EPWA
Steven Kruit	EPWA
Tyson Self	ERA
Robert Pullella	ERA
Lipakshi Dhar	ERA
Manuel Arapis	ERA
Elizabeth Walters	ERA
Rajat Sarawat	ERA

Lincoln Flindell	ERA
Stephen J Delmonaco	Exxon Mobil
Neil Humphries	FMG
Rojan Pandey	HFM Assets
Noelle Leonard	JTSI
Taron Brearley	JTSI
Quentin Jeay	Kleenheat
Hans Niklasson	Kleenheat
Peter Kolf	KPKSAS
John Nguyen	Perth Energy
Toko Inanaga	Kyushu Electric Australia
Richard Bowmaker	RBP
Charles Loh	Shell
Colby Hauser	Strike Energy
David Cullam	Strike Energy
Carole Clare	Synergy
Mark Chambers	Synergy
Cathy McKeagney	Warrego Energy
Daniel Toleman	Wood Mackenzie
Dan Teh	
Matthew Herington	

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- This document is a summary only and is not a complete record of discussion at the forum.
- For presentation purposes, some points have been grouped together by theme and do not necessarily appear in the order they were discussed.
- The views expressed at the forum and reflected here are not necessarily those of AEMO.

## 1. Welcome and Introduction

Daniel Collins (AEMO) opened the meeting and welcomed participants to the WA Gas FRG and provided some context for the meeting and discussed the agenda.

## 2. WA Economic Forecast Summary

Greg Staib (AEMO) presented a WA Economic Forecast Summary (the full BIS Oxford presentation can be found [here](#)), noting that following the release of the Federal Budget, BIS Oxford is expecting to review their forecast outlook.

## 3. Overview

Deborah Marsh (AEMO) presented on the Gas Consumption Forecast Methodology AEMO is applying for WA and the different components, including:

- Tariff V – Distribution (residential and small commercial, and industrial and large commercial)
- Tariff D – Industrial, Minerals processing, Mining and GPG
- Gas Processing

Tyson Self (ERA) raised a question on Tariff V, has there been a switch from forecasting based on Effective Degree day (EDD) to Heating Degree Day (HDD)?

- In WA AEMO uses HDD

Dominic Rodwell (Citic Pacific) asked what the heat rate used for GPG was?

- While the range used is typically 9.5 to 11.5 GJ/MWh, typically a historical median is applied. Andrew Turley (AEMO) noted that lower heat rates can be seen from more efficient plants, however it's the historical data used for forecasting at this stage.

Dominic also queried, that with the Muja coal plants life ending 2022 and 2024 what direct impact will result on the GPG's

- This was discussed in item 4 – SWIS GPG Forecasts

Neetika Kapani (AEMO) added that all feedback is required as soon as possible, so it can be incorporated, where practicable, into the draft forecasts that will be presented at the 11 November 2020. Feedback can be provided to [wagasforum@aemo.com.au](mailto:wagasforum@aemo.com.au)

#### **4. SWIS GPG Forecasts**

Richard Bowmaker (RBP) presented the GPG forecasts for the SWIS, covering off on the methodology used for the forecasts, provided an overview of the input assumptions and draft results.

Robert Pullella (ERA) asked How if at all have WOSP scenarios been taken into account?

- The WoSP has not been considering in this modelling. Neetika Kapani (AEMO) mentioned this was because the purpose of the two reports were very different.

Mark Riley (AGL) queried did the fuel analysis consider any contract prices that participants may have?

- Gas contract price information is not readily available as it is commercially sensitive. RBP uses the gas price forecasts provided by AEMO for the GPG modelling. Rebecca Petchey (AEMO) added that AEMO's gas price forecasts are sourced from a consultant who considers contracts where they have access to that information.

#### **5. Other Business**

No other business was raised.

#### **6. Meeting Close**

Daniel Collins (AEMO) noted the upcoming WA Gas Consultative forum on 11 November 2020 and closed the meeting.