

## MEETING RECORD

MEETING: Wholesale Demand Response Consultative Group (WDR CG)  
 DATE: Tuesday, 21 September 2021  
 TIME: 10:30am – 12:30pm  
 LOCATION: Microsoft Teams only  
 MEETING NUMBER #15

ATTENDEES:

NAME	COMPANY
Ruth Guest (Chair)	AEMO
Alice Michener	AEMO
Andrew Pirie	AEMC
Armando Estrella	AEMO
Callum Carpenter	AEMO
Chetna Mishra	AEMO
Claire Richards	Enel X
Craig Keenan	Origin
Harrison Gibbs	AEMC
Huzaifa Mohib	World-Kinect
Joseph Giddings	EnergyOne
Justin Betlehem	AusNet
Jyothi Mysore	Energy Australia
Katalin Foran	AEMO
Kyle Auret	AGL
Luc van Diunen	Hydro Tasmania
Luke Barlow	AEMO
Michael Zammit	Viotas
Natasha Rajdev	Energy Australia
Oliver Derum	AEMO
Om Prakash Yadav	Energy Australia
Priti Zacharopolous	AEMO
Rando Yam	Aurora Energy
Richard Louey	Energy Australia
Scott Cornish	Enel X
Trenton Gilbert	DNV GL
Yuji Abe	Enel X

**NOTE:** some attendees who joined through phone may not have been identified. Please advise via email to [WDR@aemo.com.au](mailto:WDR@aemo.com.au) if you attended the meeting but have not been noted above.

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Disclaimer - This document provides an overview of the main points of discussion at an industry forum convened by AEMO on 21 September 2021 to provide information and invite perspectives and feedback on matters relating to Wholesale Demand Response implementation. Readers please note that:

- 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 (R. Guest, slides 1- 5)**

Attendees were welcomed to the WDR CG meeting. AEMO noted that the meeting was being recorded for the purposes of preparing meeting notes.

Agenda was presented.

#### **2. Notes, actions, and feedback from previous meeting (O. Derum, slides 6 - 7)**

There were no questions or comments on the notes from the WDR CG #14. The notes will be published on the AEMO website.

#### **3. 5MS update (R. Guest, slides 8 – 10)**

AEMO gave an update on the 5MS program's progress stating that the 5MS commencement date remains on track for 1 October 2021. On 9 September, AEMC published their Final Determination and the market trial was extended to 17 September and that participants will be able to continue testing in pre-production.

The 5MS go-live plan is available on AEMO's website and there are market trial calls, retail Q&A sessions, and general Q&A sessions being conducted every week.

Viotas commented that a lot of essential meters need to be changed over to facilitate 5MS and that customer meters need changing. AEMO responded that there is an obligation on the meter providers to ensure that certain meters have to be in 5MS.

#### **4. WDR program and stakeholder update (R. Guest, slides 11 – 14)**

AEMO presented an update on WDR activities – preproduction, industry testing and go-live. AEMO confirmed that the 5MS staging environment rebuild for WDR System Integration Test (SIT) is now complete. A process to manage data set up and truncate RM40 settlements runs has been developed.

AEMO outlined the WDR program schedule on track for commencement on 24 October. With respect to stakeholder updates, AEMO confirmed that it has received one application for registration as DRSP. DNSPs have now received requests for aggregation endorsement and the Portfolio Management System will be available for pre-production.

Additionally, AEMO informed that it will publish the first WDR Annual Report by the end of June 2023 (covering the period from the start of WDRM to the end of 2022). The WDRM Annual Report will provide overall statics on areas such as baseline methodology performance, the amount of WDR delivered, the price WDR is bid in at etc, over the reporting period.

Origin enquired when would the FRMPs know if there are any affected NMIs. AEMO responded that there will be 2 ways in which the FRMPs would know this:

1. When AEMO approves a classification because the FRMPs will get a notification when AEMO assigns a DRSP role in MSATS
2. Through the DUID NMI report as soon as any NMI is classified

#### **5. Industry testing (P. Zacharopolous, slides 15 - 16)**

AEMO thanked the participants who expressed their interest in participating in WDR industry testing. The dates for industry testing would be from 4 October 2021 to 22 October 2021. Preparation of test workbook is underway and will be published soon followed by one-on-one meeting with those participants interested in testing.

AGL and Energy Australia queried regarding the cadence of meetings and testing. AEMO responded that meetings and daily testing calls will be arranged closer to the commencement.

**ACTION 15.05.01** - AEMO is requesting WDR participants to review the test plan and provide feedback by writing to [wdr@aemo.com.au](mailto:wdr@aemo.com.au).

#### **6. WDR risks, issues, and contingency (O. Derum, slide 17 - 19)**

AEMO confirmed that in light of the AEMC's decision not to make a rule to defer 5MS go live, AEMO proposes to amend the likelihood of a 5MS commencement delay (risk 15) from 'possible' to 'unlikely'.

AEMO highlighted the upcoming WDR engagement sessions including WDR CG #16 scheduled for 19 October and WDR CG #17 scheduled for 16 November.

There were no queries or comments from attendees in this section.

**ACTION 15.06.01** - AEMO to review the risk register and any WDR CG feedback for consideration at the next WDR CG meeting.

#### **7. General questions (R. Guest, slide 20)**

AEMC provided a quick update on an upcoming webinar on 'Review of compensation guidelines to include Wholesale Demand Response' on 24 September along with a link to register. There were no questions or comments from attendees in this section.

#### **8. Portfolio Management System (A. Michener, slides 21 – 22)**

AEMO provided a demonstration of the Portfolio Management System screens including:

- Participant portfolio
- Group information
- NMI information
- All applications list
- Creating applications

There were no questions or comments from the audience. Attendees were thanked for their attendance and contributions.

**ACTION ITEMS RAISED AT WDR CG MEETINGS**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DUE BY</b>
15.05.01	Industry testing	WDR CG to review the test plan and provide feedback by emailing at <a href="mailto:wdr@aemo.com.au">wdr@aemo.com.au</a> .	WDR CG	7 October
15.06.01	WDR industry risk register	AEMO to review the risk register and any WDR CG feedback for consideration at the next WDR CG meeting.	AEMO	Ongoing