

MEETING OUTCOMES – RESERVE CAPACITY MECHANISM FORUM

MEETING: WAMRP Reserve Capacity Mechanism Forum 3
 DATE: Friday, 12 May 2017
 TIME: 10.00 am – 11.00 am (AWST)
 LOCATION: AEMO Perth Boardroom

ATTENDEES:

NAME	COMPANY
Tim Rosser	Blair Fox
Ignatius Chin	Bluewaters
Ken Chong	Bluewaters
Steve Gould	Community Electricity
Geoff Hobley	EDL
Wendy Ng	ERM Power
Andrew Skennerton	Karara Mining
Dash Kaur	Kleenheat
Denise Ooi	Kleenheat
Aaron Kerrigan	Perth Energy
Marc Hettler	Perth Energy
Patrick Peake	Perth Energy
John McLean	PSC Australia
Bobby Ditric	Public Utilities Office
Andrew Woodroffe	Sky Farming
Susanna Floth	Sky Farming
Abhishek Sharma	Synergy
Angelina Cox	Synergy
Brad Huppatz	Synergy
Keri Speechley	Synergy
Piero Truini	Synergy
Caroline Rainsford	Transalta
Jo Rolfe	Water Corporation
Peter Huxtable	Water Corporation
Cliff Braun	AEMO
Maggie Zong	AEMO
Adam Woods	AEMO
Amanda Niklaus	AEMO
Greg Ruthven	AEMO
Mark Katsikandarakis	AEMO
Martin Maticka	AEMO
Matthew Fairclough	AEMO
Mike Hales	AEMO
Neetika Kapani	AEMO
Matt Pember	AEMO
Jacquie Miller	AEMO

1. Welcome

2. RCM Project Update

- Question – Will Market Participants be required to use the new Non Temperature Dependent Load (NTDL) functionalities for the upcoming Capacity Year? If yes, when will we get access to them?

Answer – Yes. The plan is to go live with this functionality two weeks before the deadline of 20 August 2017.

- Question – Will this be linked to the Wholesale Electricity Market System Market Participant Interface (WEMS MPI) or will it require a separate login?

Answer – It's within the WEMS MPI.

3. Market Participant Showcase

- Question – Is there a set template for the evidence of maintenance within the NTDL Application file uploads?

Answer – AEMO is considering either the use of a set template or upload of PDF documents from end customers certifying the maintenance intervals. The final choice will be reflected in updates to the Market Procedure.

- Question – If AEMO requests further information in respect of an NTDL application, will the applicant receive notification by email?

Answer – Yes.

- Question – Can NTDL applications only be made for one month at a time?

Answer – Applications can be lodged for two months at a time. The annual application will need to be lodged before 20 August and include all necessary information, which may include any maintenance intervals since Trading Month n-11.

Note: Market Participants will be able to experiment with the NTDL functionality in the market trial environment. Please contact AEMO with any suggestions to improve the functionality.

- Question – What are the validation rules for NTDL submissions? Can these be documented for Market Participants?

Answer – Validation rules include the file format for maintenance intervals (CSV) and that data in a CSV file is for the relevant Trading Month(s). The full detail of validations will be published in an updated WEMS User Guide.

- Question – For the annual NTDL determination, will Market Participants need to upload a single CSV file for the nine months of maintenance intervals, or one CSV file per month?

Answer – One CSV file for the nine months of data.

- Question – Will the IRCR module provide a CSV export function?

Answer – The CSV file will still be provided through the settlement portal as occurs today.

- Attendees indicated a preference for the IRCR peak Trading Intervals to be displayed in the IRCR module.

- Question – Will the IRCR Log still be provided to Market Participants?

Answer – Yes, the detailed breakdown of IRCR contribution by NMI will still be provided in the existing format albeit with some minor changes. This information will continue to be provided through the settlement portal..

- Question – Will the Capacity Credit Allocation submission windows be the same as the current timings?

Answer – Yes. Outside of the submission window, users will be able to view the pages but will be unable to add new allocations

- Question – Will the Capacity Credit Allocation pages allow CSV upload of submissions?

Answer – There is no provision for CSV uploads but there is an API automated back-end to allow automated submissions.

Note: Next week AEMO will be releasing updated SWAGGER documentation for the API. This will provide documentation to assist participants with building automated systems to interact with some RCM functionality.

4. Market Procedures

- Question – Following a change in Capacity Credits assigned to a Demand Side Programme, will there be changes to previous dispatch payments?

Answer – No, the tranche thresholds will only change from the effective date of the Capacity Credit reduction. Past payments that have been made will not be adjusted.

Note: AEMO's proposed work plan was presented for Market Procedure changes to align with gazetted rule amendments which will commence on 1 October 2017, including the estimated dates of consultation and publication.

As the Market Advisory Committee (MAC) Procedure Working Group will not be formally established for a couple of months, AEMO proposed to continue to use the RCM Forums, as well as ad hoc workshops, to obtain feedback on Market Procedure changes prior to commencement of the formal Procedure Change Process. The first ad hoc workshop will be held on 29 May 2017. All MAC members and WAECF stakeholders will be invited.

5. General Business

- Question – What is the status of the Reserve Capacity Prudential rule change that AEMO is developing?

Answer – Internal review of rule drafting and the Rule Change Proposal is almost finalised. All feedback received from participants to date has been addressed. AEMO is planning to present the Rule Change Proposal to the MAC at its next meeting on 14 June, after which it will formally submit the proposal into the rule change process.

Note: AEMO has received queries around the network access requirements under the WEM Rules, as part of the 2016 and 2017 Certified Reserve Capacity (CRC) application process. It has come to AEMO's attention that participants have been receiving conflicting information from AEMO and Western Power on the required network access documentation.

AEMO has met with Western Power to clarify this matter and to ensure both parties are in agreement with regards the network access requirement for CRC. AEMO's position on this requirement has not changed from previous years and is in line with the current WEM Rules.

In previous years, applications for CRC have included an Electricity Transfer Access Contract (ETAC) and Interconnection Works Contract (IWC). This satisfies AEMO's requirements as it

provides AEMO the confidence that a network connection will be in place by the Reserve Capacity obligation date.

AEMO understands that new connecting generators will be receiving ETACs after the network studies phase, but that this may not be accompanied by an IWC. It is the signed IWC that expresses the generator's commitment to the connection, as this is when customer pays Western Power any required capital contribution.

AEMO advises that, for a CRC application to be valid, it must contain a signed ETAC with a signed IWC. These documents are required by the end of June, when the certification window closes.

6. Next meeting

Stakeholders will be advised of the date for the next Reserve Capacity Mechanism Forum.