

Call for Expressions of Interest (EOIs) for Members: NEM2025 Participant Fee Consultative Committee

AEMO is calling for EOIs for membership of the NEM2025 Participant Fee Consultative Committee (PFCC).

About the NEM2025 Participant Fee Consultative Committee

The Terms of Reference sets out the role of the PFCC more specifically and should be referred to when submitting an EOI.

In September 2022, AEMO released its final determination that declared the NEM2025 Reform Program a declared NEM project under clause 2.11.1(ba) of the National Electricity Rules (NER or the Rules).

The NEM2025 Reform Program involves changes to key elements of the energy market design. This will facilitate Australia's transition towards a modern energy system capable of meeting the evolving wants and needs of consumers, as well as enable the continued provision of the full range of services to customers necessary to deliver a secure, reliable and lower emissions electricity system at least-cost.

To fund this investment, the Rules allow for AEMO to determine the structure of an additional fee to recover costs for the NEM2025 Reform Program until the next Participant fee structure determination. This includes determining the registered participants that will be charged the fee, as well as the start date for recovery and the period or periods over which recovery will occur.

The PFCC has been established as one key mechanism to collaborate and engage with industry and consumers on this consultation. AEMO will work collaboratively with the PFCC to refine its analysis of potential options for the fee and period or periods for recovery of its costs associated with the NEM2025 Reform Program, and we will gather broader stakeholder input on options through our formal consultation process.

AEMO is open to input and feedback from all stakeholders on potential alternative options – there is no preferred option at this stage.

Further detailed information on AEMO's consultation and the NEM2025 Reform Program more generally may be accessed here:

- [Structure of Participant Fees for AEMO's NEM2025 Reform Program Consultation Paper.](#)
- [Structure of Participant Fees for AEMO's NEM2025 Reform Program Engagement Plan.](#)
- [Declared NEM Project – NEM 2025 Reform Program](#)
- [NEM2025 Reform Program.](#)



Selection criteria

The PFCC must be representative of a diverse range of industry and consumer stakeholders. Participation in the Committee is open to suitably qualified nominations from market participants, consumer representatives and three other participants that are not members of the peak bodies invited to provide nominations. The intention is that the PFCC will include representatives from:

- One to two nominees from the Australia Energy Council (AEC) membership;
- One to two nominees from the Energy Networks Australia (ENA) membership;
- One nominee from the Clean Energy Council (CEC) membership;
- One representative from Energy Consumers Australia (ECA); and
- Up to two consumer advocates, associated with organisations that represent a broad cross-section of consumers and their interests (e.g. individual consumers, businesses and major energy users, customers in vulnerable circumstances).

AEMO will also select up to three Members from self-nominated participants that are not constituent members of the above peak bodies/consumer groups.

As well as ensuring a diversity of Member representation, Members will be selected based on:

Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience and understanding of the issues associated with the energy transition for their respective stakeholders and more generally. • Understanding of financial, pricing and/or regulatory frameworks related to either AEMO's Participant Fees or the energy sector more broadly. • Broad and strategic understanding of the NEM2025 Reform Program. • Demonstrated ability to contribute at a strategic level and to collaborate for better outcomes.
Breadth of representation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commitment to actively engage with the membership of their respective associations and groups on the consultation, and faithfully represent those views back to the PFCC. • Empowered to speak on behalf of their respective organisations and members.
Collaborative approach and availability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to work collaboratively with other Committee participants. • Available and able to commit fully to the process.

Deadline for receipt of expressions of interest

Expressions of interest close at **5:00pm (Melbourne time) on 2 March 2023**.

Please email expressions of interest to reformdevelopmentandinsights@aemo.com.au.

By submitting a proposal, you are deemed to accept the expression of interest terms.

Contents of expression of interest

In submitting an expression of interest, applicants are requested to provide:

- Full name
- Address, phone and email
- Stakeholder representative group
- Response to selection criteria
- Current CV/resume
- Details of two referees
- Payment for time – refer to clause 4.7 of the Terms of Reference
- Outline any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest with undertaking this role.

Other matters

Neither this call for expression of interest, nor an expression of interest submitted by an applicant, has any contractual, promissory, or restitutionary effect, and does not create any other rights, in relation to proceeding with the expression of interest process or the appointment of an applicant. AEMO may change the call for expression of interest or the requirements outlined in the call for expression of interest by issuing an addendum.

AEMO and its representatives will not be responsible for, and no applicant is entitled to be reimbursed for, any cost, expense, liability or loss incurred in the preparation and submission of its expression of interest, and Members are not entitled to any payment for attending meetings of the Committee or reimbursement for any cost, expense, liability or loss in relation to attending meetings of the Committee.

Contact

Any enquiries regarding the expression of interest process can be directed to reformdevelopmentandinsights@aemo.com.au.