Forum meeting record

Forum:	NEM Reform Implementation Forum #21
Date:	23 April 2024
Time:	1:00PM – 3:00PM AEST
Location:	MS Teams

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1   Welcome   (Slides 2-4)

- Members welcomed and agenda outlined. Participants informed that the meeting will be recorded for the purpose of minute taking only.

2   Actions & Feedback from Previous Meeting   (Slides 5-6)

- No actions from previous meeting.

3   2024 / 2025 Release Summary   Greg Minney (Slides 7-8)

- A high-level summary of external milestones against all inflight initiatives summarising from the previous period with details outlined on slide 8 of the accompanying slide pack.
- AEMO noted that progress has been made against ISF and ERI with key information outlined on slide 8 of the accompanying slide pack. These initiatives along with accelerating smart meter deployment and Unlocking CER Benefits will be included as in-flight initiatives as they progress.

4   Pre-production Availability   Chris Fleming (Slides 9-10)

- AEMO advised that the pre-prod critical infrastructure updates for April, have now been completed and added that no further outages outside normal maintenance window are scheduled for May 2024. AEMO advised the next pre-prod (Retail only) refresh is scheduled for 1st July through to 5th July to support the September 2024 release.

5   June 2024 Release   Luke Barlow / Greg Minney/ Chris Fleming (Slides 11-27)

Release Update & Milestone Review

- AEMO provided an overview of the milestones associated with the IESS release with highlighted updates and key dates outlined on slide 15 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO noted that the status for this project remains amber. AEMO noted that internal testing is focusing completion of bidding component , which will not impact go-live timing, with further information outlined on slide 15 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO noted that some procedural changes, administrative in nature, continue to be managed via the EWCF. An IESS June milestone table (future) was presented with further information outlined on slide 17 of the accompanying slide pack.

Industry Go-Live Plan and Go Live Checkpoint

- AEMO provided an update to the Go Live criteria and plan with key information outlined on slide 19 and 20 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO noted that the final IESS go live Plan has been issued as of 19 April with updates from participants outlined on slide 20 of the accompanying slide pack. Participants are encouraged to send any questions relating to the Go-Live plan to NEMReform@aemo.com.au.

Market Trial Update

- AEMO outlined the IESS market trial high level timeline with further information outlined on slide 22 of the accompanying slide pack noting the following:

  - Phase 1 is complete with no outstanding defects

  - Phase 2: There are 4 severity three and severity 4 defects, but a release is scheduled for 24 April which will resolve 3 of these. The remaining defect is scheduled to be resolved the following week.

  - Phase 3

    o Simulated cutover 1 (SC1): All registered participants have been sent notifications regarding SC1 and can now commence bidding. Cutover for SC1 is planned for Wed 1 May.
    o Simulated cutover 2: BDUs become effective from 03 May 2024 in preprod, and cutover is scheduled for Wed 15 May.

- Further updates and key dates regarding the IESS market trial are outlined on slide 24 of the accompanying slide pack.

BDU Cut Over Plan

- AEMO provided an update on BDU cutover with key information outlined on slides 26 and 27 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition, AEMO highlighted that every participant cutting over a BESS to BDU operations will be transitioned in pre-production before being transitioned in production. More information is outlined on slide 27 of the accompanying slide pack.

6   September 2024 Release   Greg Minney (Slides 29-32)

Retail Market Improvement

- AEMO provided a brief update on the Retail Market Improvement release, reported as being on schedule, and added that the readiness approach is scheduled to be published by 26 April. Additional information on the two ICF are outlined on slide 29 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition, AEMO presented the retail improvements milestones chart on slide 31 of the accompanying slide pack.

7   October Release   Greg Minney (Slides 32-39)

SCADA Lite

- AEMO recapped on the SCADA Lite Initiative summary as outlined on slide 34 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition, AEMO provided a milestone timeline as outlined on slides 35 and 36 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO advised that future updates will be presented to the implementation forum against the milestones outlined on slide 35 of the accompanying slide pack.

Readiness Approach

- o AEMO presented the proposed readiness approach for SCADA Lite with detailed information outlined on slides 38 and 39 of the accompanying slide pack.

8 December 2024 / June 2025 FPP Release Oliver Derum / Karen Wilbrink (Slides 33-39)

Progress Summary (Slides 34-37)

- AEMO advised that the overall status is Green with key information outlined on slide 41 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO noted that the FPP Reports Data Model tech Spec was published on 15 April 2024. Further information on FPP milestones is outlined on slides 41 to 43 of the accompanying slide pack.

Go-Live Criteria

- o AEMO presented the FPP readiness Go Live update with key information outlined on slide 39 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition, AEMO advised that progress reporting will continue against committed milestones with Go-live checkpoints against criteria as scheduled.

9 Other Initiatives Greg Minney (Slides 33-39)

Accelerated Smart Meter Deployment

- AEMO provided a summary of the Accelerated Smart Meter Deployment rule with further information outlined on slide 48 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO provided information on the key dates associated with the rule which are outlined on slides 49 and 50 of the accompanying slide pack. In addition, AEMO provided potential impacts to B2M and B2B with further information outlined on slide 51 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO noted that a HLID will be published soon.

Removal of Controlled Load Profile – NSW

- AEMO advised that AEMO has been tasked to coordinate the removal of controlled load profile in NSW. Further details relating to this program of work is outlined on slide 55 of the accompanying slide pack. AEMO outlined key dates on the consultation process are available on slide 56 of the accompanying slide pack.

Raised By	Question/Comment	Response
Linda Brackenbury – PlusES	On the meter read date requires system changes - can we back date to the last MRD?	AEMO indicated that this approach should be incorporated into participants response to procedures consultation

10 Stakeholder Engagement

Ulrika Lindholm (Slides 57-65)

Engagement Uplift

AEMO presented a proposed new standard agenda for forums moving forward with detailed recommendations outlined on slide 61 of the accompanying slide pack.

NEM Reform Program – Stakeholder Briefing

- AEMO outlined the activities associated with the NEM Reform General and Roadmap briefing. Further details are outlined on slide 63 of the accompanying slide pack.

Upcoming Engagements

- NEM Reform program meeting schedule was provided.

11 General Questions and Other business

(Slide 66)

- Queries and feedback may be sent to NEMReform@aemo.com.au.

OPEN ACTION ITEMS

(Item = Meeting # – Agenda # – Reference)

Item	Topic	Action	Responsible	Status
21.7.0.1	SCADA Lite	Affected participants to provide feedback on the SCADA lite readiness approach by emailing NEMReform@aemo.com.au.	Participants	Open
21.10.1	Engagement Uplift	Participants to provide feedback on the proposed new standard agenda for forums moving forward by emailing NEMReform@aemo.com.au.	Participants	Open