

Wholesale Electricity Market reform work program

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AGENDA FOR TODAY

- Update on WEM Reform work program
- Discuss stakeholder engagement approach
- Discuss indicative timelines and milestones
- Discuss scope of priority areas

WEM REFORM PROGRAM

- The Minister for Energy has endorsed a work program for improvements to WEM operations to ensure:
 - efficient dispatch of energy and ancillary services, delivering least-cost electricity to customers;
 - system security and reliability arrangements can accommodate increased renewable energy generation and changes to electricity demand;
 - a more responsive capacity pricing regime, with clear signals for efficient entry and exit of capacity; and
 - an effective market power mitigation regime, limiting the potential for distortion of market outcomes to the detriment of electricity consumers.



Reserve Capacity Pricing Review

Issue

Market does not have suitable signals for efficient capacity entry/exit

Objective

A more responsive capacity pricing regime

Process

Conducting a review to examine options to improve the Reserve Capacity Mechanism. Options include:

- capacity auction;
- ► enhanced administered pricing regime; and
- reliability obligation on retailers.

Implementation of Review commenced Advice to Minister review outcomes (Jan 2018) (Sept 2018) from Dec 2018

Security Constrained Market and Dispatch System

Issue

Market arrangements do not recognise network constraints and do not produce least cost outcomes

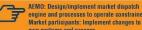
Objective

Market operations and dispatch system to enable constrained network access

Process

Implementing market arrangements that recognise network constraints and support least cost outcomes,

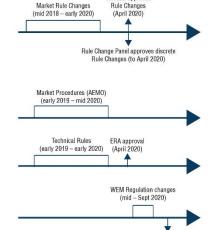
- ▶ 'co-optimised' dispatch of energy and ancillary services (e.g. frequency control);
- ► trading by generators on a facility-by-facility basis, to allow least cost dispatch where constraints exist;
- ▶ trading and dispatch processes that operate closer to real time and adjust more frequently to changes
- > power system operations and outage management practices that recognise network constraints; and
- ► consequential changes to market settlement, day-ahead market, information and credit risk management requirements.



engine and processes to operate constrained model Market participants: Implement changes to their own systems and process.

> Minister/Governor approval (Oct 2020)

Minister approves



Wholesale Electricity Market Reform Work Program

Power System Security

Issue

New entrant generation and changing load profile a threat to power system security

Objective

System security and reliability arrangements that manage real-time fluctuations in supply and demand

Process

- ► Developing market arrangements to deliver necessary frequency and voltage support services (e.g. spinning reserve, black start services).
- ► Updating of reliability standards to reflect new system conditions.
- ► Implementation of new system support services (AFMO)
- ► Clarification of system and network planning responsibilities.

Ancillary services review Market Rule Changes (mid 2018 - early 2019) Rule Change Panel approval (to mid 2019) Review system security reforms/Draft Market Rule Changes and Market Procedures (AEMO) Rule Change Panel approved (mid 2018 - early 2019) discrete rule changes (to mid 2019) Minister approves Rule Changes (to late 2019) ERA approval Technical Rules (late 2018 - early 2019) (mid 2019)

Market Power Mitigation

Issue

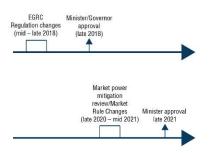
Synergy dominance is detrimental to market outcomes

Objective

A mitigation regime that limits scope for market power to distort market outcomes

Process

- ► Adjust regulatory regime to place tighter pricing discipline on Synergy (e.g. reduce buy-sell spread for standard wholesale energy products, ring fencing requirements and price setting transparency).
- ► Review and update, if required, broader market power mitigation measures to support new market arrangements (e.g. use of price caps, bidding requirements and mandatory participation in the day-ahead short term energy market).





REFORM PROGRAM COORDINATION

WEM Reform Co-ordination Committee

- Executive Director, PUO (Chair)
 - AEMO Program Sponsor
- Executive Officer, Rule Change Panel
- Representative, Office of the Minister for Energy
- Role of the Committee:
 - monitor progress of reforms;
 - review release of design proposals and draft rules for consultation and provide guidance to enable design/drafting of new market arrangements
 - ensure co-ordination of amendments to Market Rules and other instruments; and
 - act as an escalation point for issues that cannot be resolved between PUO and AEMO.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

- Intention that there will be stakeholder engagement with WEM Reform Coordination Committee; these arrangements are to be determined
- Other stakeholder engagement and input will occur through:
 - Market Advisory Committee and associated working groups
 - AEMO Electricity Consultative Forum
 - release of design proposals, concept papers and exposure drafts
 - stakeholder meetings, forums and workshops as required

ESTABLISHMENT OF MAC WORKING GROUPS

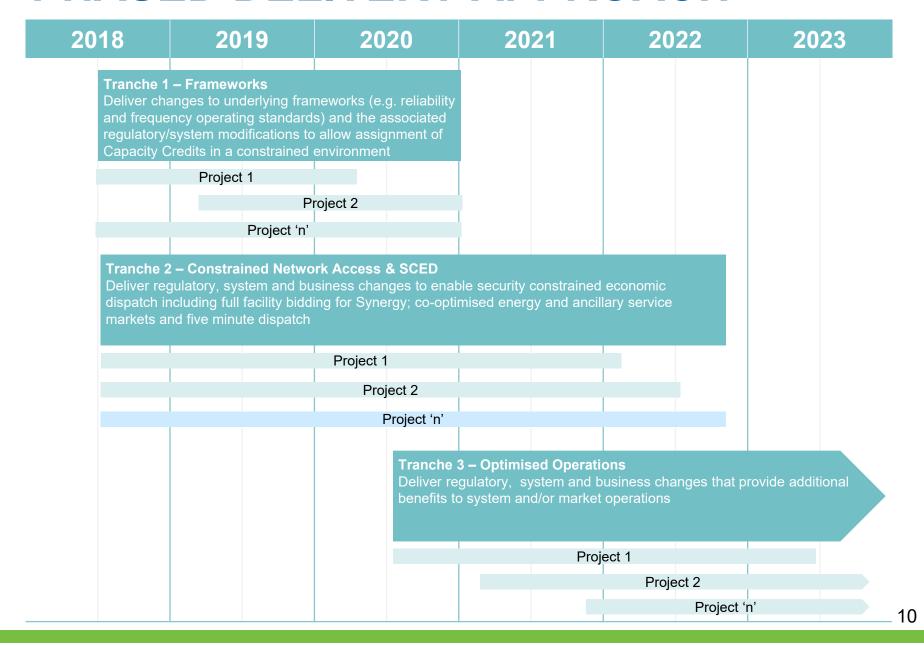
- PUO-AEMO propose two working groups (other suggestions are invited):
 - Market design;
 - Power system operations
- Each working group will have a terms of reference, scope of work, and timeline
- Working groups to assist with detailed design and technical matters
- Participation in working groups open to broader industry (not limited to MAC members)
- ToR to be circulated out of session for comment with plan for first workshops to take place in July 2018

INDUSTRY FEEDBACK ON WEM REFORM PROPOSALS

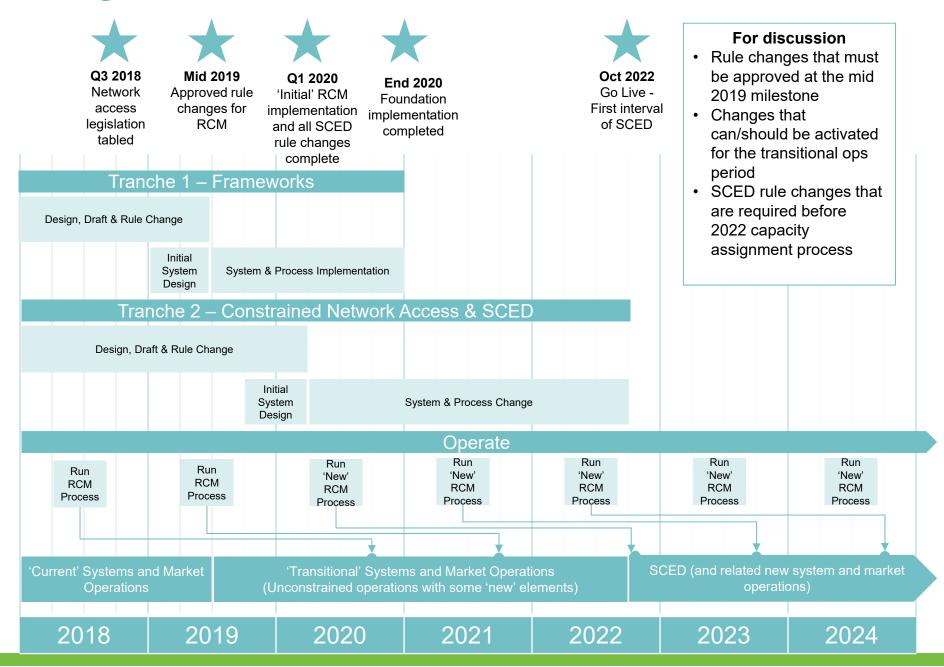
Reform proposal	Feedback
Security-constrained dispatch engine	General support; choice of dispatch engine should be dictated by policy design, not otherwise; should cater for future technologies and markets; consider replacing dispatch engine sooner
Competitive Ancillary Services markets	General support, consider transitional arrangements
Co-optimisation of energy and ancillary services	General support; more detail needed on how this works
Facility bidding	General support; costs and benefits should be examined; time required for implementation should be considered
Shorter dispatch intervals	Support; costs and implementation time for participants to be examined
Shorter gate closure	Support
Change to reference node	Some support; costs and benefits to various parties should be examined
Market power mitigation measures	Necessary to retain appropriate measures; examine if competition law provides adequate protection; more detail needed on SRMC
Improvements to power system security and reliability	Mentioned as important by some submitters

Detailed stakeholder consultation will take place on market design and technical operations.

PHASED DELIVERY APPROACH



HIGH LEVEL TIMELINE



ANCILLARY SERVICES REVIEW

Issue and Case for Change

- Current framework cannot meet emerging challenges of changing load profile, asynchronous generation displacing synchronous generation
- Standards and requirements are poorly defined; which entity should procure which service is unclear

Objective

- Determine a fit-for-purpose Ancillary Services framework for WEM
- Identify the types of technologies WEM needs, and when, to address known issues and emerging challenges
- Recommend procurement strategies for the identified types of Ancillary Services (e.g. market and/or non-market) and who should procure them (e.g AEMO and/or network operator)

Scope and Approach

- An engineering approach to types of ancillary services required
- An economic approach to determine how best to procure these services
- Cost benefit analysis for proposed changes
- Transitional arrangements as required

POWER SYSTEM SECURITY & RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS

Issue and Case for Change

- The current framework for reliability and security were designed for a different system and market (e.g. Synergy portfolio, synchronous plant and unconstrained access)
- The current framework and role responsibilities are inconsistent and unclear in some areas it is also spread across a number of regulatory instruments that don't always link well

Objective

- To revise the framework so that it provides clarity on the underlying requirements on relevant parties for secure and reliable operation of the system
- Provide the basis for broader market design including spot market and ancillary services, constraint definition, dispatch and interventions

Scope and Approach

- Review known issues (and outcomes of previous reform work) to consider what is required for a fitfor-purpose WEM approach
- Consider requirements for operating states framework; contingency event definitions; dedicated reliability standard and metrics; responsibilities of AEMO and other relevant parties
- Potential to implement some changes in advance of constrained access

NEXT STEPS

- WEM Reform Coordination Committee inaugural meeting (by early June)
- Stakeholder engagement plan; working group ToR; EOI for membership by early June
- Rule Change consultation for AEMO cost recovery
- Monthly status updates to MAC (incl indicative schedule of work packages)

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