

Competition in metering and related services – rule change

Stakeholder workshops

The AEMC has held five stakeholder workshops on the competition in metering and related services rule change. A sixth workshop will be held on 22 January 2015 to consult with stakeholders on the Commission's proposed policy position on several issues that have required further analysis.

Workshops

The AEMC's workshops have explored the issues raised by the rule change request in more detail and have given stakeholders an opportunity to provide their views on the proposed arrangements. A list of the workshops is provided in the table below.

Workshop theme	Items for discussion	Date and location
Metering Coordinator role Gate keeper role (open access advice)	 Proposal for independent Metering Coordinator Gate keeper functions Registration, accreditation and compliance obligations 	26 June 2014 Sydney 10am – 4pm
Network regulatory arrangements	 Exit fees Deployment of smart meters as part of a regulated demand side participation program Ring fencing arrangements Maintaining existing load management capability 	1 August 2014 Brisbane 10:30am – 4pm
Relationships between parties	 Retailer-consumer Retailer-Metering Coordinator Considerations will include: Incentives of the various Metering Coordinator business models, and whether there is a need for light- handed regulation Consent (opt-in/opt-out) arrangements for meter provision Information about metering costs 	28 August 2014 Melbourne 10am – 3:30pm
Supporting arrangements	Minimum core model arrangementsConsumer-Metering Coordinator relationship	24 September 2014 Sydney 10am – 4pm
Transition and implementation	 Arrangements for Victoria Governance of the minimum functionality specification Jurisdictional arrangements Requirements for implementation 	9 October 2014 Melbourne 10am – 3.30pm

Details on how to register for the workshop on 22 January 2015 will be available on the AEMC website.

Contact the AEMC for more information.

Outstanding policy issues	 Remote provision of disconnection and reconnection services Network security issues related to load control Access to Metering Coordinator services Opt out arrangements The minimum services specification Timeframes and requirements for implementation 	22 January 2015 Sydney 10am – 3pm
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Registration

Information about how to register for the sixth workshop is available on the AEMC website.

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