Independent Market Operator

Demand Side Management Working Group

Minutes – 6th March 2008

Meeting No.	3
Location:	ERIU Conference Room
	Level 8, Governor Stirling Tower, 197 St Georges Terrace, Perth
Date:	Thursday 6 th March 2008
Time:	Commencing at 1.00pm to 3.00pm (WDST)

Members		
Patrick Peake	IMO (Chair)	
Phil Kelloway	System Management	
Shona Guilfoyle	Alinta	Left at 2:30pm
Sumeet Kaur	Verve Energy	
Robert Pullela	ERA	
Ronny Garg	Synergy	
Peter Huxtable	Water Corporation	
Pablo Campillos	Energy Response	
Matthew Martin	Office of Energy	
Dora Guzeleva	IMO	
Harry Street	IMO	

Apologies		
Shane Cremin	Griffin Energy	

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1.	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES / ATTENDANCE	Chair
	The Chair opened the meeting at 1:15pm and welcomed members to the third Demand Side Management Working Group meeting.	
	Apologies were received from Shane Cremin.	
2.	SYNERGY'S COMMENTS TO DSM WORKING GROUP	
	Synergy distributed a paper with their comments to the DSM Working Group.	
3.	DSM – DRAFT TERMS AND CONDITIONS	
	An updated DSM – Draft Terms and Conditions was distributed to members at the start of the meeting. The update consisted of revised wording of some of the points. Points 4 to 10 were discussed during the meeting.	
	4. Demonstration that Curtailable Load can respond to a Dispatch Instruction	
	It was discussed that retailers would continue to think about how their DSM Facilities could be tested and come up with possible alternative methods to verify that their Curtailable Load can respond to a Dispatch Instruction from System Management.	
	5. Notification time for activation	
	System Management expressed that the required notice for a dispatch group should not be greater than four hours because as the notice time lengthens, this can deteriorate the effectiveness of dispatching the DSM Facility. It was also noted that the lower the required notice, such as 1, 2 or 3 hours, then the more effective it is for System Management to dispatch DSM.	
	It was noted that faster response could be expected from stand-by generators where these have been connected such that they can operate in parallel with mains supply. There is currently no national connection standard though this is being worked on at a national level.	
	Phil Kelloway will invite a representative from the Networks area of Western Power to brief the Working Group on the present situation in the SWIS.	Western Power
	6. Time of day when notifications can be made	
	System Management said that it endeavours to give notice and will continue to give notice in future to DSM Facilities that may be called upon to dispatch. Synergy indicated that they required around 90 minutes to contact all of their customers to activate them.	
	7. Periods when DSM is to be available	

System Management confirmed that its preference is that DSM should be available during both summer and winter peak periods. These were 12:00pm to 9:00pm and 3:00pm to 9:00pm, respectively. In general, DSM is unlikely to be called over weekends due to demand being lower.

It was suggested, however, that the level of capacity used to determine Capacity credits, could be based on the period 2 pm to 6 pm.

It was stated that aggregated DSM must be available to operate for at least two consecutive days. Some degredation of output on the third consecutive day was considered to be acceptable.

8. "Real Time" notification of DSM Availability

It was discussed that it would be beneficial for System Management to receive a daily report for the amount of DSM available to be curtailed. This would also include DSM Facilities that were not available to be curtailed so that System Management could be aware of the "current" status of each DSM Facility.

Synergy noted that they already provide advice to System Management on a daily basis.

All participants are asked to consider this item for further discussion at the next meeting.

9. Reporting of Activation

It was discussed that on the day following the relevant Trading Day, Market Customers must provide information to the IMO and System Management about which loads have been dispatched, how much they were asked to reduce and the size of any reduction in response to a Dispatch Instruction.

10. Outage Planning

It was discussed that DSM should be subject to outage planning in the same way generators are subject to outage planning under the Reserve Capacity Mechanism.

4. CLOSE

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 2:55pm and thanked everyone for their input. The next DSM Working Group Meeting is scheduled for **1pm** – **3pm**, **Monday 17**th **March 2008**.

Chair

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