

## ReMCoWG Meeting Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2021	<b>Time &amp; Location</b>	13:30 Conference Call
<b>Chair:</b>	Lindsay Sharpe – ReMCoDS		
<b>Attendees:</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	
	Alice Mooney, Catherine Keane	ReMCoDS	
	Lisa Fahy (Observer)	CRU	
	Carl Murphy, Siobhan Melvin, Catherine Leen	ESBN	
	Gemma McHale, Joan-Edel Smith, Kris Kennedy	NIE Networks	
	Simon Fox-Mella	Gemserv	
	Aine Dorran	Electric Ireland	
	Lauren Scott, Cian Fitzgerald	Energia	
	Eoin McGurk	BGE	
	Darren Force	Budget Energy	
	Gary Wilson	Bright	
	Patricia Ventura	Community Power	
	Niall Kelly	Click Energy	
	Patricia Ventura	Iberdrola	
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<b>Agenda:</b>	
1.	Introduction
2.	ReMCoSG Meeting Feedback
3.	Actions from Previous ReMCoWG
4.	Actions – New ReMCoWG Actions
5.	Retail Market Design Update
6.	De-harmonisation Update
7.	ESBN/NIE Networks Update
8.	CRU SMART Metering Update
9.	Next Steps & AOB

### 1. Introduction

L Sharpe enquired if everyone was happy to sign off and approve the Minutes of the last Working Group on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

All Agreed.

**Minutes Approved.**

### 2. ReMCoSG Meeting Feedback

L Sharpe presented the ReMCoSG Meeting Update.

There has been one ReMCoSG Meetings since the last ReMCoWG on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

**Refer to slide** for full details.

The next ReMCoSG Meeting is scheduled for 18<sup>th</sup> August 2021 which will be the last ReMCoSG before System Separation. The plan is to have one more ReMCoSG post System Separation in November after the period of hypercare. The final ReMCoWG and ReMCoSG meetings will take place in November.

### 3. Actions – Previous ReMCoWG

L Sharpe provided the Action Items Update.

There are no open ReMCoWG Actions.

### 4. Actions – New ReMCoWG Actions

No new Actions were logged at this meeting.

### 5. Retail Market Design Update

L Sharpe provided the Retail Market Design Update.

#### Outages

- There are no outages scheduled for June/July as of yet.
- Full outage details are available, as usual, on the RMDS Website.

## 6. De-harmonisation Update

G McHale presented slides on system separation in Section 7 ESBN/NIE Networks Update.

L Sharpe reported that ReMCoDS issued the IPT plans for ROI and NI earlier this week. ReMCoDS will be in touch with ROI Suppliers this week who have indicated on their PQ that they would like to take part in IPT. As mentioned at the IGG which preceded this meeting, the PQ Report was approved by CRU this week. An anonymised version for ROI will be issued to MPs shortly.

## 7. ESBN/NIE Networks Update

K Kennedy & G McHale presented the ESBN/NIE Networks Update.

K Kennedy reported that:

NIE Networks' Covid-19 activities are continuing.  
Meter Reading Trials have been extended and are continuing well.

### Secure Meters DR Test

K Kennedy reported that the Secure Meters DR Test had been pencilled in for the first weekend in September. That has now been firmed up and NIE Networks/ESBN is hoping to proceed with the DR Test on that weekend. Emma Porter will be managing the DR Test from NIE Networks' side and will be arranging a kick-off call with Suppliers over the next few weeks to get everyone onboard with the plans.

In terms of the seamless solution, NIE Networks has had some feedback from the UR in terms of supporting the seamless solution and proceeding with this work. NIE Networks is waiting for a response from CRU in order to proceed with this.

L Fahy reported that she wasn't aware of an outstanding action for CRU for that. She will go back and see what NIE Networks needs from CRU. At the last ReMCoSG, CRU said that it had no problem with it progressing.

### TIBCO Outages

K Kennedy presented slides on TIBCO Outages.

**Refer to slides** for details.

K Kennedy reported that the number of unplanned outages is now at more normal levels. There were twenty-four unplanned Supplier outages in May. As detailed on the slide, there were a lot of one-off Supplier events and the maximum for one Supplier was four unplanned outages. He reminded Suppliers to use the planned outage notification option.

### System Separation Project Update

G McHale presented slides on System Separation Project Update.

She outlined key dates on the plan in the table.

**Refer to slides** for details.

The IPTs plans have been made available for both ROI and NI Suppliers. The project is on track. NIE Networks/ESBN is still working through the timelines in relation to the existing ROI Test EMMA upgrades and the new NI test EMMA builds. This is in progress and due to close out next week. She thanked Suppliers for their engagement with Atos in ensuring that supports are available to access Suppliers' environments. It helps to move things along. The Self-Assessment Questionnaires were issued and returned to ReMCoDS and CDA. The ROI PQ Assurance Report was approved by CRU. NIE Networks/ESBN is waiting for some information back from an NI Supplier in relation to getting that report through to the UR. But again, she doesn't foresee any issues with that. NIE Networks/ESBN is on track in terms of the new production EMMA builds for NI Market Participants and is on track in terms of issuing out the High-level Cutover Approach to MPs this week

G McHale outlined some key activities up until the next ReMCoWG in August:

- IPT Plan issued to market participants.
- Market Participants NI Production EMMA Builds.
- Market Participant Test EMMA Builds.
- High Level Cutover Approach issued to market participants.
- Market Assurance Formal Assessment for both ESBN and NIE Networks will take place in July.
- An updated Webforms Guide will be issued to market participants.

Project Highlights

- Project Plan on track.
- Upgrade and Build of test EMMAs in progress.

G McHale thanked Suppliers for their engagement to date for providing all the necessary information and access to environments as and when required.

## 8. CRU Smart Metering Update

L Fahy provided a SMART Metering update.

- Deployment of Smart Meters – at the end of May, just under 320,000 Smart Meters have been installed. Hopefully that will increase by 40,000 in June. CRU will get an update on this at the ILG tomorrow.
- CRU is considering the responses it received on the Smart PAYG Consultation.

## 9. Next Steps & AOB

Two items in AOB were raised.

### ESBN Smart Rep

L Sharpe reported that the ESBN Smart Representative for the last number of months has been C Leen. Emer Corcoran will be taking over the role again at the next meetings. Thanks to Catherine.

### System Separation – Test Server Upgrade

A Dorran reported that Electric Ireland's System Separation Team raised an issue with her. There is a change of when the ROI Test Server upgrade will be completed. It was supposed to be taking place in April and has been moved to August which is during the time when Electric Ireland's IPT Testing is planned. There is a risk there that Electric Ireland wants flagged. Electric Ireland has spoken to Atos and there is contingency in place. It is a relatively small upgrade on the TIBCO Hub Monitoring Dashboard that is being done by Suppliers. Electric Ireland just wants it flagged in case there is an issue.

L Sharpe added that she has been in touch with the Electric Ireland Technical Team in relation to this matter and has passed it onto ESBN. It is something that ESBN and Atos are looking into at the moment.

S Melvin reported that she will follow up internally on this matter.

### **Next ReMCoWG:**

- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021 was due to be in Dublin but can safely assume that we will be holding the meeting virtually.

**ReMCoDS**

Retail Market Coordination Design Service