

DER Register overview & Victorian DNSP implementation

Victorian installers seminars | 12 & 13 November 2019

Agenda

Timing	Topic	Speaker
5:00pm	Welcome and	CEC and NECA
	introductions	
5:15pm	AEMO DER Register	Australian Energy
	overview	Market Operator
5:30pm	Distribution Network	Distribution Networks
	overview	
6:00pm	Panel Q&A session	All
6:20pm	Networking	All
7:00pm	Close	



About AEMO

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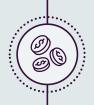
We operate Australia's National Electricity Market and power grid in Australia's eastern and south-eastern seaboard, and the Wholesale Electricity Market and power grid in south-west WA.



Both markets supply more than 220 terawatt hours of electricity each year.



We also operate retail and wholesale gas markets across south-eastern Australia and Victoria's gas pipeline grid.



Collectively traded more than A\$20 billion in the last financial year.

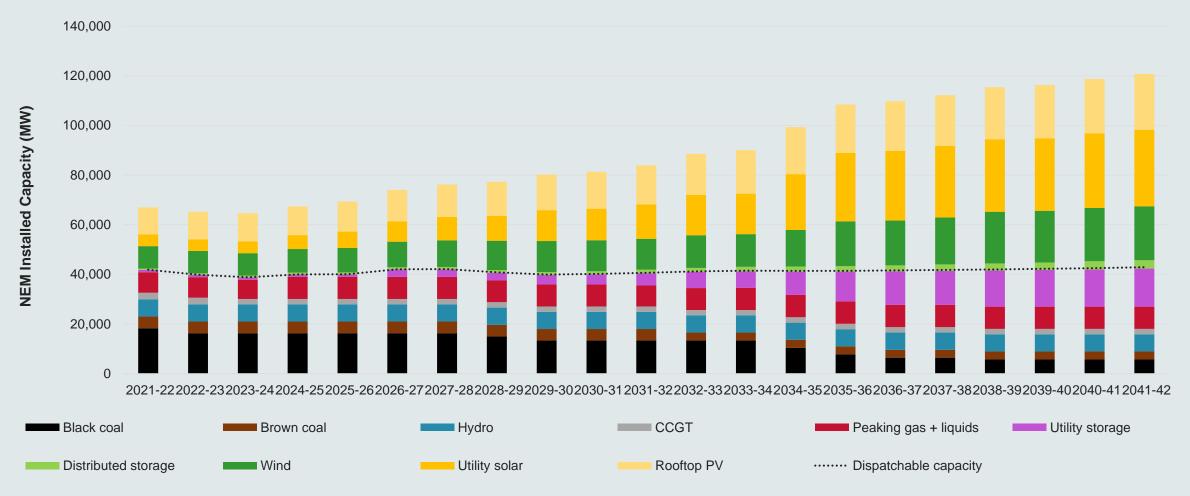


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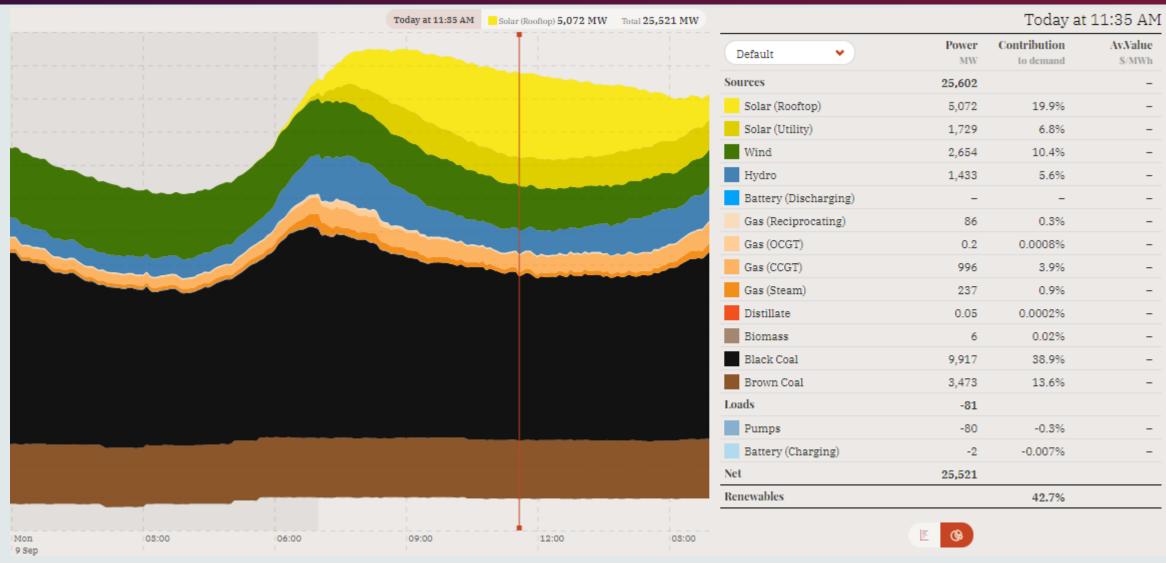
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Market Governments of participants Australia

The growing level of consumer choice

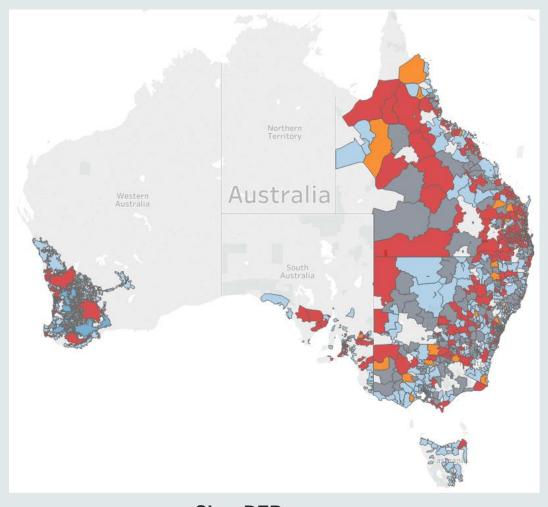


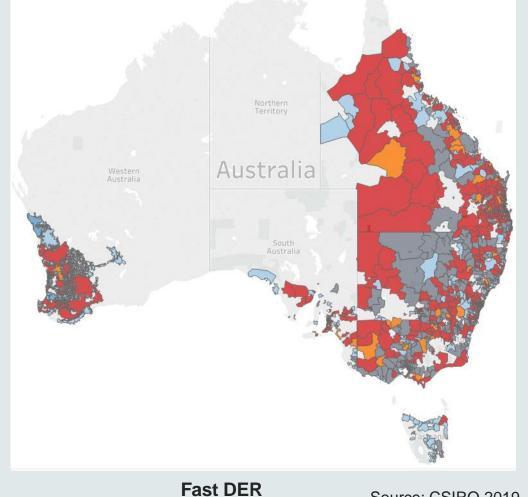
High rooftop PV in the operational domain



Reversing the distribution network

Forecast 'reverse electricity flows' across Australia's distribution networks





Slow DER

Source: CSIRO 2019

Years <=2025 <=2030

<=2040 <=2050

>2050

AEMO's DER Register

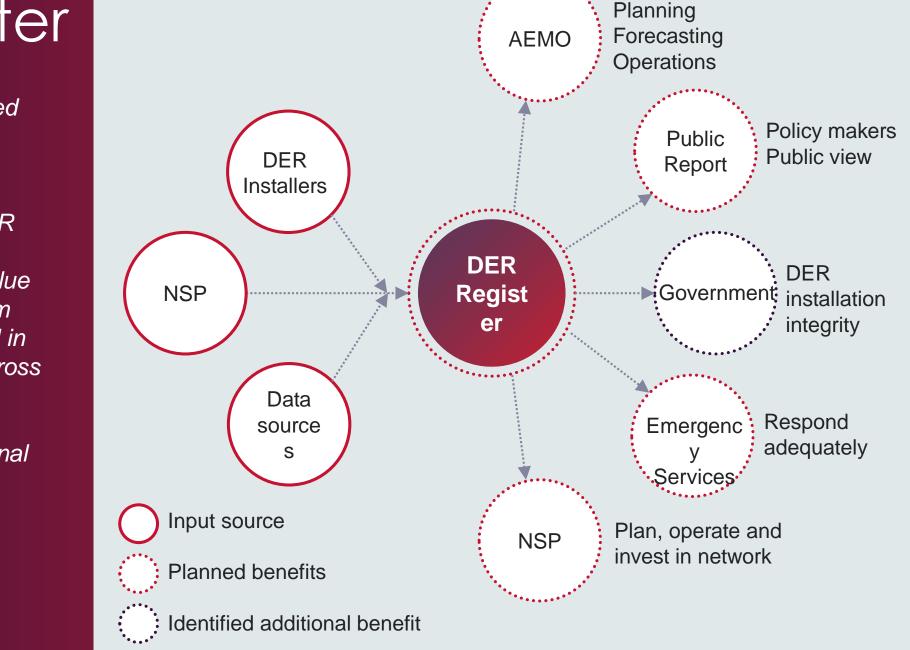


DER Register

Required to be implemented by the National Electricity
Rules

A national database of DER assets to enable the realisation of consumer value and enhance power system reliability via DER installed in homes and businesses across Australia

Implemented and operational from 1 December 2019





What kinds of data?

Level	Data types	Expected source of data	
		Network	Installer
Installation	Approved capacities, technologies and central control/protection (e.g. export limits)		×= ×=
	Installer licence number / ID	<u>*=</u>	
AC interface	Inverter or generator manufacturer, model, serial number and capacities, and numbers of installed units	*= *=	/
	Inverter control modes and settings (e.g. volt-watt etc)		*= *=
	Non-inverter generation control modes, settings and protection		*=
	Date of commissioning		¥= *=
Device	Device (e.g. solar PV panels or battery) manufacturer, model and capacities, and numbers of installed units	<u>*=</u>	~





What changes?



Process overview

From 1 December 2019 a condition of connection to the network will include that DER installers and electrical contractors need to provide information for the DER Register for all small generator and battery installations

Asapproved information

- Network provides
- Aligns to connection approval
- Includes approved capacities, technologies and site protection and control information

• Installer provides

- Includes information about the equipment installed, such as manufacturer, model and serial numbers
- Installer asked to confirm protection and control settings

 Network submits data to AEMO

Step 1

Apply to the network for a connection and receive approval

Step 2

Customer agrees and installation goes ahead

Step 3

DER installer collects information about what is installed on site

Step 4

DER installer provides information to the approving DNSP

Step 5

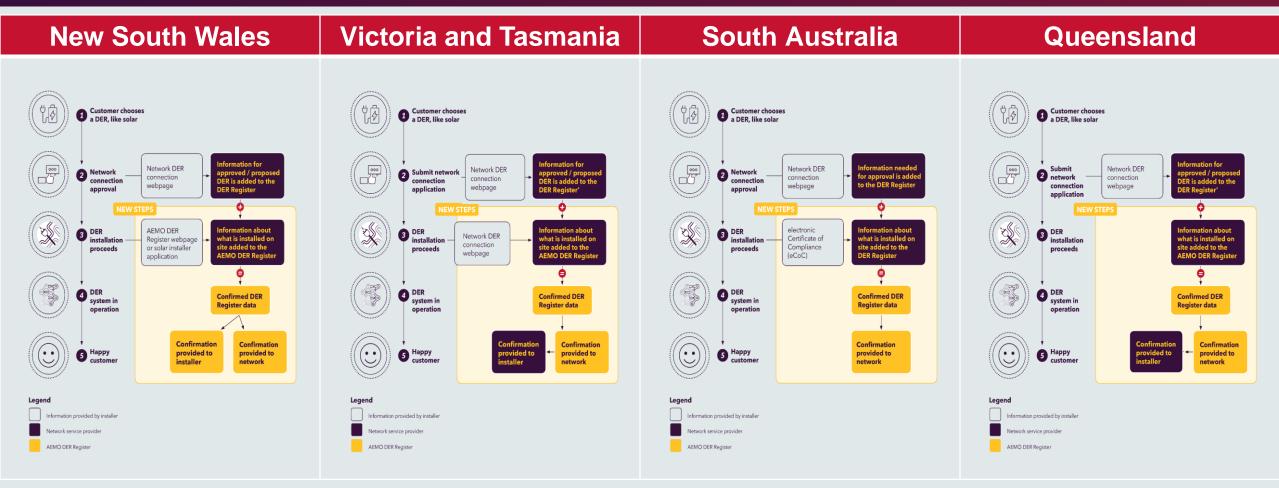
Network submits data to AEMO

As-installed information

Confirmed DER Record



State-by-State AEMO-DB process overview



Note: In all cases the local network service provider is the first contact for a connection approval, as with current process.

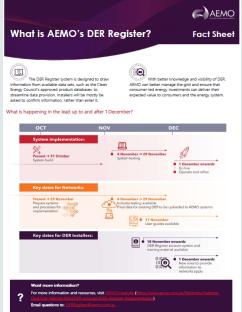
Readiness



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- Installers and electrical contractors should progress DER connection approvals with their local network <u>as per current processes</u>
- AEMO high level Fact Sheets are high level
- Your local distribution network will provide information on steps that are needed within their connection processes











 https://www.aemo.com.au/Electricity/National-Electricity-Market-NEM/DERprogram/DER-Register-Implementation

Victorian DNSP overview

Introducing coming changes to implement the DER Register and changes to inverter requirements



DER Register - What's Changing for Installers / RECs for each DNSP?

DNSP	From 1 December, Installers/ RECs must
Jemena	 Complete all Embedded Generation applications (Residential and Household) via the Jemena Portal – mobile friendly Provide additional Embedded Generation data required for the DER Register Pass the Embedded Generation application number (along with the EWR & CES) to the customer once installation complete
AusNet Services	 Minor changes to the current online Pre-Approval tool New online Post Installation tool replacing current Embedded Generation (EG) form – the tool will prompt you for additional information required for DER Register New automated email notifications regarding the status of your application
CitiPower/ Powercor	 Minor changes to the eConnect portal which will prompt you for additional required information for DER Register
United Energy	New paper-based DER Register form for completion



Note – there are also important considerations during the transition period from 1 Dec. Talk to the DNSPs you work with to confirm these details...

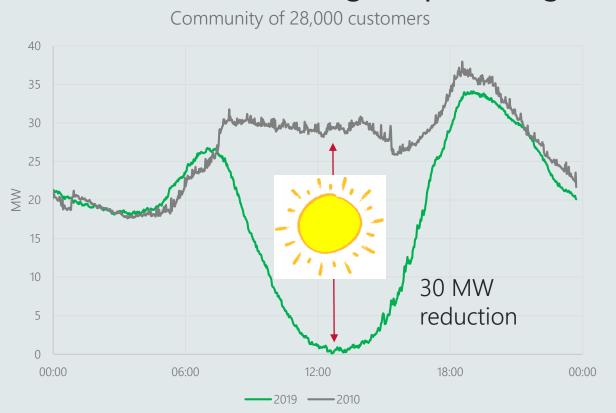
New Inverter Power Quality Response Mode Settings - Model Standing Offer (MSO) changes

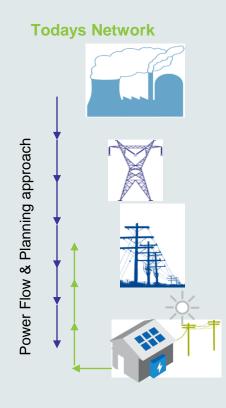
- In alignment with the DER Register changes, Victorian DNSPs are also introducing changes to our Model Standing Offer (MSO), i.e. our terms and conditions for connecting DER to the network
- All Vic DNSPs require inverters to have the following power quality response mode settings applied:
 - 'volt-var' settings to manage the impact of increasing voltages from solar exports
 - 'volt-watt' settings to gradually reduce power export once specified voltage limits are reached



Why New Inverter Power Quality Response Mode Settings?

Our solar communities are driving a rapid change in distribution of power







We are seeing whole communities generating more power than they and their neighbours consume

Why New Inverter Power Quality Response Mode Settings?

We are doing everything we can to get the power to where it is needed without pushing the voltage too high...or too low

New inverter control schemes will deliver enhanced benefits to our customers

Volt- Var

 will absorb or produce reactive power to decrease or increase voltage as needed



Volt- Watt

 will help to avoid a complete shutdown of the inverter by temporarily curtailing output

All Victorian Distribution Network Service Providers have agreed to common settings for inverters

What do these changes mean for you?

- From 1 December:
 - You will not be approved to install inverters that do not have the required power quality response mode capability
 - You must also ensure that the settings are applied at the time of installation
- We are working with Inverter manufacturers to request they update their user guides etc



Contact points

For more information regarding the DER Register or MSO changes:

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AusNetServices	Email: <u>preapprovals@ausnetservices.com.au</u>	
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