

PEC-MI Readiness Go-live Criteria Release 1

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Project EnergyConnect – Market Integration

AEMO published a final High-Level Implementation Assessment on 25 November 2025, inclusive of the readiness go-live criteria for 8 August 2026 rule commencement.

AEMO's impacted systems are the settlement systems and the dispatch system. While the degree of impact to each of these systems is low, the changes are required to be implemented during 2026 when the AEMO's release schedule is heavily congested.

The delivery approach splits the project into two releases:

- **8 August 2026 (Release 1)** – Changes to the dispatch system will be implemented in this release, inclusive of updating the price scaling function and changes to the NRM process calculations.
- **1 November 2026 (Release 2)** – Settlement. All system changes for the updated IRSR methodology are scheduled for Release 2.

AEMO is publishing these go-live criteria to align with the implementation approach and provide clarity to stakeholders.

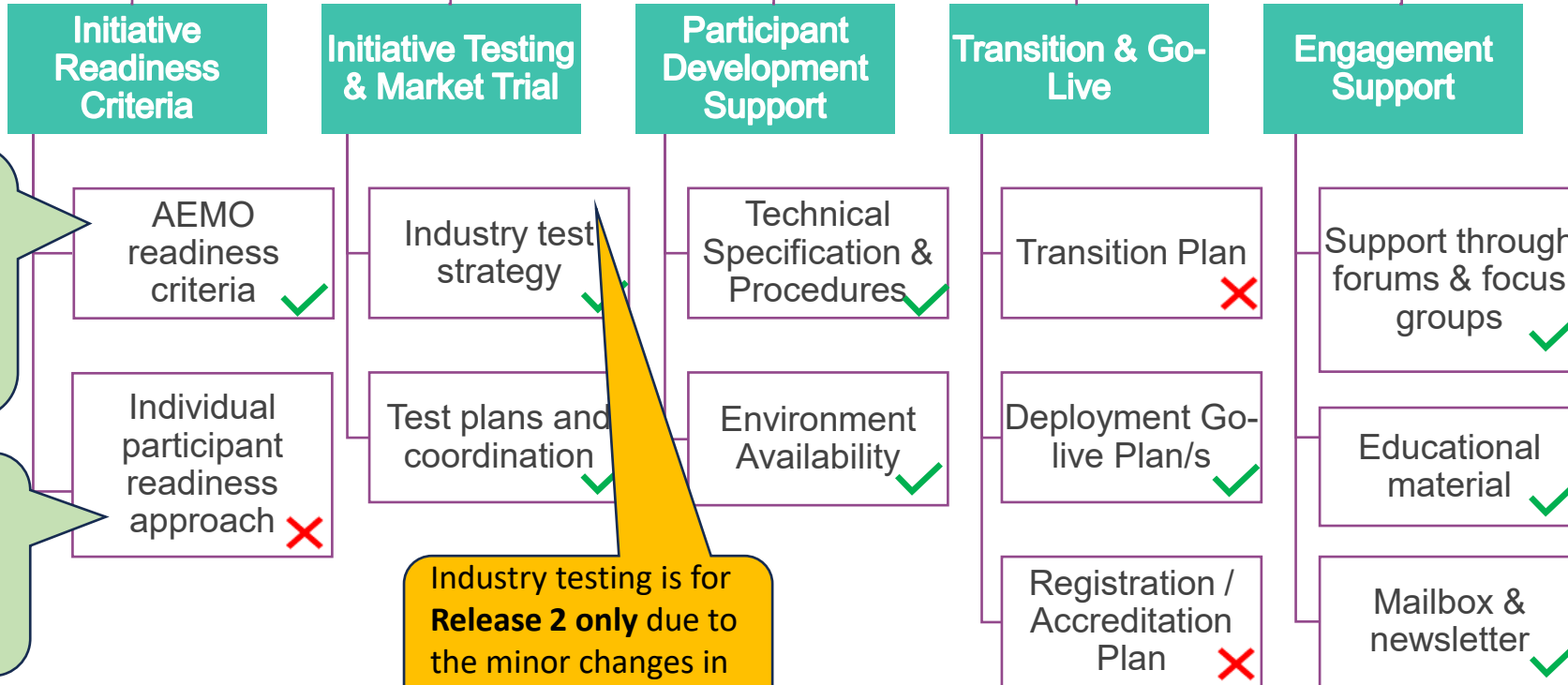
For more information about the PEC-MI initiative, please visit the [Project EnergyConnect Market Integration](#) webpage.

Readiness Approach

NEM REFORM READINESS STRATEGY (ALL INITIATIVES)

PEC-MI READINESS APPROACH

PEC-MI readiness approach adopts the standard NEM Reform Program Framework



• AEMO solution needs to be updated and tested
• AEMO business needs to be ready to operate
• AEMO IT support needs to be in place

Individual participant (or participant category) readiness is NOT a dependency for go-live

Industry testing is for **Release 2 only** due to the minor changes in Release 1

RISK & CONTINGENCY MANAGEMENT ✓

INITIATIVE READINESS REPORTING ✓ & GO-LIVE CRITERIA MANAGEMENT ✓

PEC-MI Release 1 Go-live Criteria

INITIATIVE:	PEC-MI 08 Aug 2026 Release Project EnergyConnect – Market Integration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • System-initiated dispatch
GO-LIVE CRITERIA	
AEMO READINESS	<p>For PEC-MI Release 1, Go-live is defined as deployment of changes to AEMO systems.</p> <p>AEMO technology and systems tested in-line with requirements include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registrations - new PEC interconnector NSW1- SA1 • Dispatch - Inclusion of the new interconnector in dispatch tables • Negative Residue Manager - Updates to the coding for price scaling algorithms and NRM calculations <p>AEMO business operations and processes in place to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support PEC-MI operations and Service Provider transition <p>AEMO digital teams ready to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support PEC-MI operations
INDUSTRY READINESS	<p>Network Service Provider and participant readiness is not a dependency for go-live. However, AEMO encourages impacted participants to make system/process changes in readiness for Go Live.</p>
CONTINGENCY	Contingency approaches under development.