ARNECC Statement - Scope for interoperability releases settled

ARNECC is pleased to announce that the scope for the interoperability releases has now been settled. The scope refers to the data elements that must be shared by Electronic Lodgment Network Operators (ELNOs) in an interoperable transaction in order for each ELNO to offer services to its customers. A guiding principle of the interoperability project is that it must maintain or enhance the customer experience in keeping with the capability and experience of the Electronic Lodgment Network chosen by the customer.

The ARNECC Interoperability Program team has undertaken considerable work to determine the scope, including in-depth consultation with key stakeholders.

Following its announcement of the interoperability release timetable in July 2023, ARNECC conducted a series of stakeholder consultation workshops, where it continued to work closely with ELNOs Property Exchange Australia Limited **(PEXA)** and Sympli Australia Pty Ltd **(Sympli),** as well as industry more broadly, to determine the appropriate scope for the interoperability releases. ARNECC has now concluded this process. Specific details of the data elements constituting the scope have been shared with the ELNOs and will be shared with other integrating parties as necessary.

ARNECC would also like to thank stakeholders for providing valuable feedback on Consultation Draft 7.2 of the Model Operating Requirements. ARNECC is currently considering this feedback with a view to updating the regulatory framework to include deadlines by which interoperability capability must be developed. ARNECC is also undertaking detailed work with the ELNOs and other stakeholders on Day 2 project planning, so key project milestones can be fully understood and the work of the many participants in the reform can be brought together. ARNECC thanks stakeholders for their continued efforts and support in this important competition reform.

ARNECC has approved key guiding principles for the interoperability reform, which are available here: Interoperability - ARNECC

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