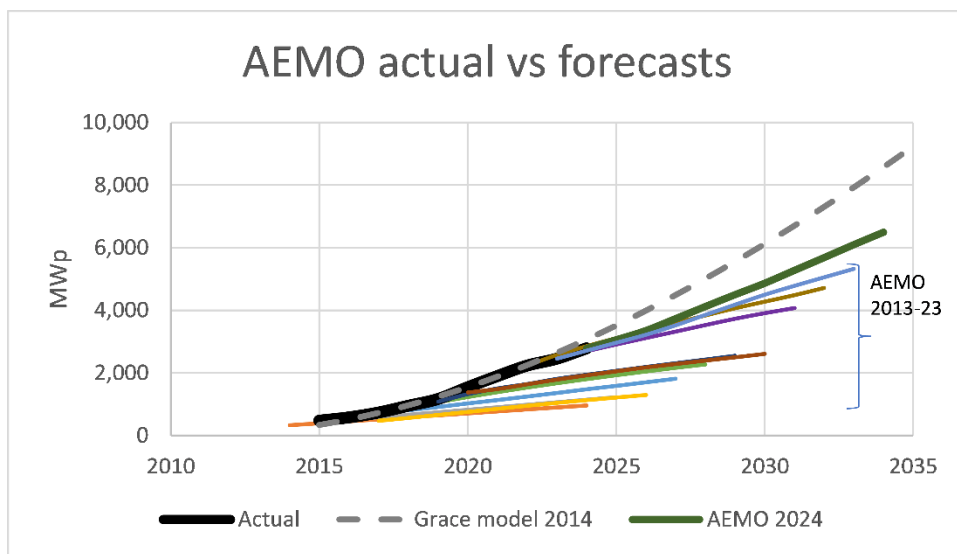


AEMO Solar Forecast

AEMO's annual SOO report is out and so it's time for my annual review of their forecasts of behind-the-meter solar PV against my 2014 model. As explained in previous posts the problem with their continual under-estimation of private solar growth is its impact on projections of minimum demand on the SWIS, and its implications. As illustrated below, AEMO continue to forecast linear growth (despite the evidence) and so underestimate when network loads might become negative. They say "In summary, in the 2024 WEM ESOO, the 50% POE forecast declines rapidly from 510 MW in 2023-24 to 101 MW in 2026-27, then to below zero." It may turn out that negative demands happen well before that. Perhaps the coalition can explain how baseload power (of any type including nuclear) works in this scenario.



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