

NOTICE OF FIRST STAGE OF CONSULTATION

National Electricity Rules – Rule 8.9

Retail Procedures (Wholesale Demand Response)

Date of Notice: 12 October 2020

This notice informs all Registered Participants and interested parties (**Consulted Persons**) that AEMO is conducting a consultation on Retail Procedures (Wholesale Demand Response).

This consultation is being conducted under clause 7.16.1 of the National Electricity Rules (**NER**), in accordance with the Rules consultation requirements detailed in rule 8.9 of the NER.

Matter under Consultation

AEMO has prepared this Issues Paper to facilitate informed discussion and seek input from interested parties on the delivery of proposed changes to enable the Wholesale Demand Response Mechanism (WDRM) rule change ERC0247 in the National Electricity Market (NEM). Further details are provided in the Issues Paper published with this notice. A consultation draft of the following procedures is published with the Issues Paper:

- Market Settlements and Transfer Solution (MSATS) Procedures: Meter Data Management (MDM) Procedures (MDM Procedures).
- MSATS Procedures: Consumer Administration and Transfer Solution (CATS) Procedure Principles and Obligations (CATS Procedure).
- MSATS Procedures: Procedure for the Management (Wholesale, Interconnector, Generator and Sample (WIGS)) (WIGS Procedure).
- Metrology Procedure: Part B
- Retail Electricity Procedures - Glossary and Framework (Glossary and Framework).
- Business-to-Business (B2B) Guide.
- B2B e-Hub Participant Accreditation and Revocation Process (B2B Participant Process).
- Understanding Load Profiles Published from MSATS (Load Profiles Document).

The Consultation Process

The consultation process is outlined below. Dates are indicative only and subject to change.

PROCESS STAGE	INDICATIVE DATE
Proposed public workshop (TBC)	6 November 2020
Closing date for submissions in response to this Notice and Issues Paper	17 November 2020
Publication of Draft Report and Determination	15 December 2020
Closing date for submissions in response to the Draft Report	2 February 2021
Publication of Final Report and Determination	16 March 2021

Invitation to Make Submissions

AEMO invites written submissions on the matter under consultation, including any alternative or additional proposals you consider may better meet the objectives of this consultation and the national electricity objective in section 7 of the National Electricity Law.

Please identify any parts of your submission that you wish to remain confidential, and explain why. AEMO may still publish that information if it does not consider it to be confidential, but will consult with you before doing so.

Please note that material identified as confidential may be given less weight in the decision-making process than material that is published.

Meetings

In your submission, you may request a meeting with AEMO to discuss the matter under consultation, stating why you consider a meeting is necessary or desirable.

If appropriate, meetings may be held jointly with other Consulted Persons. Subject to confidentiality restrictions, AEMO will generally make details of matters discussed at a meeting available to other Consulted Persons, and may publish them.

Closing Date and Time

Submissions in response to this Notice of First Stage of Rules Consultation should be sent by email to NEM.Retailprocedureconsultations@aemo.com.au to reach AEMO by 5.00pm (Melbourne time) on 17 November 2020.

All submissions must be forwarded in electronic format (both pdf and Word). Please send any queries about this consultation to the same email address.

Submissions received after the closing date and time will not be valid, and AEMO is not obliged to consider them. Any late submissions should explain the reason for lateness and the detriment to you if AEMO does not consider your submission.

Publication

All submissions will be published on AEMO's website, other than confidential content.