

## NOTICE OF FIRST STAGE OF CONSULTATION

National Electricity Rules

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### **Reliability Standard Implementation Guidelines, MT PASA Process Description and Energy Adequacy Assessment Projection Guidelines**

Date of Notice: 25 May 2020

This notice informs *the Reliability Panel, Intending and Registered Participants and interested parties (Consulted Persons)* that AEMO is conducting a consultation on amendments to the **Reliability Standard Implementation Guidelines (RSIG)**, together with amendments to the MT PASA Process Description, and Energy Adequacy Assessment Projection (EAAP) Guidelines.

This consultation is being conducted in accordance with clauses 3.7.2(g), 3.7C(k), 3.9.3D and 11.120 of the National Electricity Rules (NER).

#### **Matter under Consultation**

The matter for consultation is to align the Reliability Standard Implementation Guidelines, MT PASA Process Description and EAAP Guidelines with changes to the NER, changes to other procedures, and to improvements in existing processes.

The main drivers are:

- Changes have been made to AEMO's Procedure for the Exercise of Reliability and Emergency Reserve Trader (RERT) in response to the Enhancements to RERT rule change.<sup>1</sup> In this process, AEMO has already consulted on the use of the Electricity Statement of Opportunities (ESOO) as a trigger for RERT procurement. The amendments to the RSIG reflect this change.
- The National Electricity Amendment (Improving transparency and extended duration of MT PASA) Rule 2020 No. 1<sup>2</sup> was introduced. This rule change adds a number of additional reporting properties and minor methodological changes to be implemented in the MT PASA system. The updates to the MT PASA process description provide details on how AEMO proposes to implement these changes.
- The Interim Reliability Measure draft rule<sup>3</sup> has been published by the Energy Security Board. The draft rule change allows AEMO to procure additional volumes of reserve, if considered reasonably necessary, when the expected USE exceeds the interim reliability measure in the ESOO or an update to the ESOO. These interim reliability reserves would temporarily replace the Long Notice RERT. These changes, expected to come into effect later this year, have been reflected in the consultation version of the amended RSIG. These amendments to the RSIG are subject to the approval of the draft rules and their final form.

The following consultation drafts are published with this notice, as well as an Issues Paper which details AEMO's reasoning behind the relatively minor changes in each document:

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<sup>1</sup> Details on this consultation can be found at <https://aemo.com.au/en/consultations/current-and-closed-consultations/enhancements-to-rert-rule-change-update-to-procedures>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.aemc.gov.au/rule-changes/improving-transparency-and-extending-duration-mt-pasa>

<sup>3</sup> <http://coagenergycouncil.gov.au/publications/consultation-draft-national-electricity-amendment-interim-reliability-measure-rule-2020>

- Reliability Standard Implementation Guidelines,
- MT PASA Process Description,
- Energy Adequacy Assessment Projection (EAAP) Guidelines

AEMO will also update the Spot Market Operations Timetable as per clause 11.120.1 to take into account the amendments related to the MTPASA rule change. These changes will be provided in draft form at the time of publishing of this consultation’s draft determination.

### The Consultation Process

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

PROCESS STAGE	INDICATIVE DATE
Closing date for submissions in response to this Notice	29 June 2020
Publication of Draft Report and Determination	20 July 2020
Closing date for submissions in response to the Draft Report	3 August 2020
Publication of Final Report and Determination	31 August 2020

### 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 [energy.forecasting@aemo.com.au](mailto:energy.forecasting@aemo.com.au), to reach AEMO by 5.00pm (Melbourne time) on 29 June 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.