

Notice to all Participants,

27 February 2017

Notice to Participants on AEMO decision to approve removal of clause 9.1(c) from the Retail Market Procedures (NSW and ACT)

This notice advises Gas Market Registered Participants that consultation under the expedited Procedure change consultative process prescribed under Rule 135EF of the National Gas Rules (NGR) concluded on 31 January 2017 for:

- **IN033-16 - Documentation change only to the NSW-ACT Retail Market Procedures (Procedures)**

Prior to commencing the expedited consultation process, this proposal was actively considered by the Gas Retail Consultative Forum (GRCF) in accordance with the “Approved Process” under rule 135EC.

As required under Rule 135EF of the NGR, Gas Market Registered Participants and other interested parties were invited to submit comments to AEMO on the Impact and Implementation Report (IIR) for each proposal.

Attachment B of this notice sets out the consolidated feedback relating to the Procedures that AEMO received during this consultation phase. These include stakeholder comments, AEMO responses and, based on those responses, indicate where the feedback resulted in further amendment to the Procedure version issued with the IIR.

Having considered the proposed change in consultation, AEMO has decided to amend the Procedures in the form published in this notice. The target date for the amendment to take effect is the **05 April 2017**.

New version of the Procedures pertaining to the change described in Attachment A will be published prior to the effective date on AEMO’s website.

Should you require any further information please contact Carol Poon on (03) 9609 8509.

ATTACHMENT A

Proposed changes: RETAIL MARKET PROCEDURE (NSW/ACT)

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blue underline means insert

9.1 Forecasting Development and Reporting

(a) *AEMO* must initiate and manage the development and enhancement of the forecasting algorithm over time.

(b) A *User* must co-operate with *AEMO* to facilitate the effective development and implementation by *AEMO* of the forecasting algorithm and related matters as required from time to time.

(c) [Deleted]

ATTACHMENT B – Consolidated feedback from IIR

The following table contains feedback submitted by participants for the IIR and AEMO's responses.

RMP or GIP/SP or FRC HUB T&Cs?	Clause/Section ref	Issue / Comment	Proposed text	Rating ¹ (H/M/L)	AEMO Response (AEMO only)
RMP	9.1	Noted – AGL has no specific comment on the proposed change. AGL notes that this and other activities were to be brought into a larger program of work by AEMO in gas forecasting. AEMO advised that this program would provide feedback to the GRCF on the state of the work. AGL would like an update in this matter.			AEMO notes AGLs feedback. The larger program of work by AEMO in gas forecasting is logged as a going GRCF action item – 109.5.1. AEMO aims to provide an update to the GRCF at the next GRCF meeting (scheduled on 21/02/2017). This feedback does not result any further changes to the proposed Procedure change set out in the IIR.

¹ L = Low: - Not critical. Issues / Comments are minor. They add clarity to the document. No major concern if not included in any further revisions.
M = Medium: - Important. Strong case that issue / comments should be consider and an update to the document is desirable, but not critical.
H = High – Critical. The issue / comments are fundamental and failure to make necessary changes has the potential to impact consensus.