

CHANGE PACK & REPORT – FINAL DETERMINATION

MSATS PROCEDURES:

Consumer Administration and Transfer Solution
(CATS) Procedure Principles and Obligations Version
3.9

Procedure for the Management of Wholesale,
Interconnector, Generator and Sample (WIGS) NMI
Version 3.9

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1. Purpose of this document

This is the final determination made by AEMO in respect of a proposal by the Tasmanian Government to amend the **MSATS Procedures: CATS Procedure Version 3.8** and **WIGS Procedures Version 3.8**.

AEMO's consultation, resulting in this final report and determination, has been conducted under rule 8.9 of the National Electricity Rules. A summary of the consultation process is set out in section 3.

2. Background and Final Determination

AEMO utilises a central system called Market Settlement and Transfer Solution (MSATS) to manage consumer transfers. MSATS also administers notifications of transactions to market participants and retains the data needed to facilitate wholesale settlement. The MSATS Procedures have been in operation since 1 January 2002 and have been revised a number of times in order to support ongoing business improvement.

Changes requested

The Tasmanian Government requested changes to the MSATS Procedures to implement the following:

- **QC 853 – MSATS CHANGE FOR TASMANIAN FRC**

This change will provide a mechanism to enable churn restrictions for small residential sites within Tasmania.

Within the initial months of Full Retail Contestability, it is the intention of the Tasmanian Government to limit the number of transfers in the initial months to allow end-consumers the opportunity to adapt to the change in market conditions. The proposed changes will be temporary until such time that the Tasmanian Government determines that the market has settled in line with the reforms, and will initiate the removal of these changes accordingly. The Tasmanian Government has indicated that this transitional period will last no more than 12 months.

AEMO's Consultation

On 16 August 2013, AEMO commenced consultation on the proposed change. On 26 September 2013, the Tasmanian Government announced that it was suspending the sale of Aurora Energy's retail business. The Tasmanian Government has advised AEMO that there is no longer a requirement for this change to the MSATS Procedures.

On 21 October 2013, AEMO published a draft determination not to amend the MSATS Procedures as a result of this consultation.

No submissions were received in response to the draft determination.

Final Determination

As the proponent no longer requires the proposed changes, no objections have been received, and AEMO has not identified any benefits that would be achieved by making the proposed change at this time, AEMO's final determination is not to amend the MSATS Procedures as a result of this consultation.

The current versions of the Procedures will remain as:

- Customer Administration and Transfer Solution (CATS) Procedure Principles and Obligations Version 3.8,
- Procedure for the Management of Wholesale, Interconnector, Generator and Sample (WIGS) NMIs Version 3.8.

Due to subsequent proposed changes for which consultation is already in progress, a draft version 4.0 of the MSATS Procedures has already been produced. Accordingly, AEMO notes that no version 3.9 of the CATS and WIGS Procedures will be issued. This will be noted in the version tables for those documents.

The process and date plan for the change proposed by the Tasmanian Government was as follows:

Action	Start Date	End Date	Notes
Issue Notice of Consultation	16/08/2013	16/08/2013	(Complete)
Participant submissions are to be provided to AEMO	19/08/2013	23/09/2013	within 25 business days after the Notice of Consultation is issued (Complete)
AEMO considers all valid submissions and shall create the Draft Determination report (including the change marked MSATS Procedure version 3.8	24/09/2013	17/10/2013	within 20 business days of the submission close date (Complete)
AEMO Publish Draft Determination and Report	21/10/2013	21/10/2013	(Complete)
Participant submissions are to be provided to AEMO	23/10/2013	06/11/2013	within 10 business days after the Draft Determination is published (Complete)
AEMO considers all valid submissions and shall create the Final Determination report (including the change marked and clean versions of the MSATS Procedure version 3.8	07/11/2013	19/12/2013	within 30 business days of the submission close date (Complete)
AEMO Publish Final Determination	20/12/2013	20/12/2013	(Complete)
Proposed Effective Date of the MSATS Procedures 3.9	01/01/2014	01/01/2014	Based on AEMO's final determination there will be no changes to the MSATS Procedures.