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Wholesale Electricity Market Procedure Change Proposal

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Change requested by

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Procedure change title:	Changes to Market Procedure for Notices and Communications
Market Procedure(s) affected:	Market Procedure for Notices and Communications

Introduction

The IMO or System Management, as applicable, may initiate the Procedure Change Process by developing a Procedure Change Proposal. Rule Participants may notify the IMO or System Management, as applicable, where they consider an amendment or replacement of a Market Procedure would be appropriate.

If an Amending Rule requires the IMO or System Management to develop new Market Procedures or to amend or replace existing Market Procedures, then the IMO or System Management, as applicable, is responsible for the development, amendment, or replacement of Market Procedures so as to comply with the Amending Rule.

Market Procedures:

- (a) must:
 - i. be developed, amended or replaced in accordance with the process in the Market Rules;
 - ii. be consistent with the Wholesale Market Objectives;
 - iii. be consistent with the Market Rules, the Electricity Industry Act and Regulations; and



- (b) may be amended or replaced in accordance with clause 2.10 and must be amended or replaced in accordance with clause 2.10 where a change is required to maintain consistency with Amending Rules.

The Wholesale Market Objectives are:

- (a) to promote the economically efficient, safe and reliable production and supply of electricity and electricity related services in the South West interconnected system;
- (b) to encourage competition among generators and retailers in the South West interconnected system, including by facilitating efficient entry of new competitors;
- (c) to avoid discrimination in that market against particular energy options and technologies, including sustainable energy options and technologies such as those that make use of renewable resources or that reduce overall greenhouse gas emissions;
- (d) to minimise the long-term cost of electricity supplied to customers from the South West interconnected system; and
- (e) to encourage the taking of measures to manage the amount of electricity used and when it is used.

Details of Procedure Change Requested

1. Provide a reason for the proposed new, amended or replacement Market Procedure:

The Market Procedure for Notices and Communications (Procedure) describes the methods by which notices and communications are to be provided to or by the IMO and outlines when the timing of such notice will be considered to have been duly given.

The IMO proposes to update the Procedure to:

- reflect the IMO's new format arising from its Market Procedure project; and
- reflect the recent changes to the IMO's contact details.

The proposed amended Procedure was discussed by the IMO Procedure Change and Development Working Group (IMOPWG) at its 27 November 2012 meeting. Minutes from the meeting are available on the following webpage: <http://www.imowa.com.au/IMO-Procedures-Working-Group>.

In reference to suggestions made by the IMOPWG, the IMO proposes the following amendments:

- updates to section 1 to ensure its adjustment with the IMO's new content standard for

Market Procedures;

- clarification in step 1.4.1 that although the Procedure is not dependent on any other Market Procedure, it is associated with several other Market Procedures;
- removal of specific IMO contact details from section 2.3 to be replaced by a requirement for these details to be maintained on the Market Web Site; and
- a number of minor amendments to align with the IMO's formatting standards and improve the integrity of the Procedure.

The IMO is seeking submissions regarding this proposal. The submission period is 20 Business Days from the publication of this Procedure Change Proposal. Submissions must be delivered to the IMO by **5:00 pm on Tuesday, 16 July 2013**.

The IMO prefers to receive submissions by email to market.development@imowa.com.au using the submission form available on the following webpage: <http://www.imowa.com.au/procedure-changes>.

Submissions may also be sent to the IMO by fax or post, addressed to:

Independent Market Operator
Attn: Group Manager, Development & Capacity
PO Box 7096
Cloisters Square, Perth, WA 6850
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2. Provide the wording of the amended Procedure

The proposed amended Procedure is provided as an attachment to this proposal.

3. Describe how the proposed changes to the Market Procedure would be consistent with the Market Rules, the Electricity Industry Act and Regulations

The proposed amended Procedure has been reviewed as a whole by the IMO to ensure compliance of the Procedure with the relevant provisions in the:

- Electricity Industry Act;
- Regulations; and
- Market Rules.

4. Describe how the proposed changes to the Market Procedure would be consistent with the Wholesale Market Objectives

The IMO considers that the steps are drafted in a way that does not change the operation or

objectives of the Market Rules. As a result the IMO considers that the amended Procedure, as a whole, is consistent with the Wholesale Market Objectives.
