
Wholesale Electricity Market – Procedure Change Proposal

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Market Procedure(s) affected:	Market Procedure for Meter Data Submissions

Introduction

The Independent Market Operator (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; and
 - 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:

Meter Data Submissions are submissions of meter data provided by Metering Data Agents to the IMO on a regular basis in accordance with clause 8.4 of the Wholesale Electricity Market Rules (Market Rules). Meter Data Submissions contain specific information on each meter within the Metering Data Agent's database and on each Trading Interval in a particular Trading Month.

The Rule Change Proposal, "Calculation of IRCR" (RC_2008_32), amended the Market Rules with regard to:

- the content of Meter Data Submissions (as set out in clause 8.6.1); and
- the addition of Step 5A in Appendix 5 to bring about a more equitable treatment of non-interval or accumulation meters and interval meters in the calculation of a retailers Individual Reserve Capacity Requirement (IRCR).

The resulting changes to the content of Meter Data Submissions now require additional information to be provided to assist the IMO in approximating the monthly growth of the Notional Wholesale Meter. In particular, the Amending Rules now require the following in the Meter Data Submission:

- the number of non-interval or accumulation meters in existence at the end of any one trading month; and

- the difference between the numbers of newly installed and disconnected non-interval meters in any given trading month

Further details of the Rule Change Proposal are available on the IMO's web page: http://www.imowa.com.au/Attachments/RuleChange/RuleChange_2008_32.html

This Procedure Change Proposal seeks to amend the Market Procedure for Meter Data Submissions to:

- improve the process description for submitting Metering Data Submissions, including the format and timing of submissions; and
- ensure consistency with the Amending Rules resulting from RC_2008_32 any other related Market Rule changes that have occurred since this procedure was last updated.

2. Provide the wording of the Procedure

The amended Market Procedure for Meter Data Submissions is provided as an attachment to this proposal.

For ease of review, both a clean version and a tracked change version of the proposed amended Market Procedure have been provided.

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 Market Procedure for Meter Data Submissions has been reviewed as a whole by the IMO, and amended accordingly, to ensure compliance of the Market Procedure with the relevant provisions in the:

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

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

The steps described in the proposed amended Market Procedure for Meter Data Submissions outlines the processes for processing providing meter data to the IMO, including the timing and format of submissions.

The IMO considers that the steps are drafted in such a way that does not change the operation or objectives of the Market Rules.

As a result the IMO considers that the amended Market Procedure for Metering Data Submissions as a whole is consistent with the Wholesale Market Objectives.