

## National Electricity Market (NEM) - Notice of Consultation - MSATS Procedures Version 3.9

### Market Settlement and Transfer Solution (MSATS) Procedures:

- **Consumer Administration and Transfer Solution (CATS) Procedure Principles and Obligations**
- **Procedure for the Management of Wholesale, Interconnector, Generator and Sample (WIGS) NMIs**

This Notice of Consultation was issued on 16 August 2013 and informs all NEM Registered Participants, Metering Service Providers, Intending Participants and interested parties that AEMO is conducting a consultation on MSATS Procedures. The consultation is being conducted under Clause 7.2.8 of the National Electricity Rules (the Rules) in accordance with the Rules Consultation requirements in clause 8.9 of the Rules.

### 1. Background and Scope

The proposed changes to be consulted on, at the request of the Tasmanian Government, relate to:

- **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.

### 2. Consultation Process

In accordance with Clause 7.2.8 of the Rules, AEMO is amending the MSATS Procedures Version 3.9. The proposed consultation timeframe is as follows:

Process	Date
Closing date for submissions received in response to this Notice of Consultation	23/09/2013
Publication of the draft determination and invitation to make submissions in response to the draft determination	Currently, proposed date is 21/10/2013
Closing date for submissions received in response to the draft determination	Currently, proposed date is 06/11/2013

Publication of the final determination	Currently, proposed date is 20/12/2013
Proposed Effective Date of the MSATS Procedures 3.9	Currently, proposed date is 01/01/2014

### 3. Objectives of the consultation

The objectives of the consultation are:

- i. to provide Registered Participants, Metering Service Providers, Intending Participants and interested parties with the opportunity to be involved in the development of MSATS Procedures: CATS Procedure and WIGS Procedure; and
- ii. to ensure that Registered Participants, Metering Service Providers, Intending Participants and interested parties are properly informed about the proposed and the final outcome.

### 4. Invitation to make submissions

As part of the consultation process, AEMO invites written submissions on the provided document: MSATS Procedures: **MSATS Procedures 3.9 Change Pack – Initial Consultation**. In particular, AEMO would like comments on:

- i. Possible impacts on business processes
- ii. Possible impacts on IT systems
- iii. Changes proposed

However, comments are also invited on any other issues relating to the matter under consultation.

Please identify any information in your submission that you consider to be confidential. AEMO may require you to give reasons as to why you regard information as confidential. AEMO reserves the right to publish material that it does not consider confidential. Material identified as confidential may be accorded less weight in the decision-making process than material that is published and withstands challenge and exposure to the market.

### 5. Closing date for submissions

Submissions in response to this Notice of Consultation should reach AEMO by **5:00pm on 23 September 2013**. AEMO has the discretion to consider late submissions. Any late submission should explain:

- i. The reason for the lateness; and
- ii. The detriment to your organisation if AEMO fails to consider your submission.

### 6. Meetings

In your written submission you may request a meeting in connection with the matter under consultation and, if so, you must specify the reasons why such a meeting is considered necessary or desirable.

Please note that details of matters discussed at a meeting may be made available to other consulted parties.

## 7. Further Information

The following lists the documents used for this consultation:

Document Name	Purpose
Notice of Rules Consultation - MSATS Procedures 3.9	This document
MSATS Procedures 3.9 - Change Pack - Initial Consultation.doc	Details the changes proposed to the MSATS Procedures 3.8
MSATS Procedures 3.9 Participant Response Pack Template.doc	Template for Participants to provide a response to the items under consultation

## 8. Contact details

AEMO requests that submissions be forwarded in electronic format utilising the Participant response pack provided as they need to be published on the AEMO website. Please send all e-mail submissions to the Enhancements Team at: [enhancements@aemo.com.au](mailto:enhancements@aemo.com.au)

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