

Notice to all Participants,

14 December 2016

**Notice to Participants on AEMO decision to approve amendments to Retail Market Procedures (RMP) (NSW/ACT), Participant Build Pack 5 (PBP5) and Register of Balancing Arrangements**

This notice advises Gas Market Registered Participants that consultation under the ordinary Procedure change consultative process prescribed under Rule 135EE of the National Gas Rules (**NGR**) concluded on 16 November 2016 for:

- **IN001/16 (NSW-ACT RMP changes for Shoalhaven contestability)**

Prior to commencing the ordinary consultation process, this proposal was considered by the Gas Retail Consultative Forum (GRCF) and the NSW/ACT Shoalhaven contestability Project working group in accordance with the “Approved Process” under rule 135EC.

As required under Rule 135EE 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 D of this notice sets out the consolidated feedback relating to the RMP, PBP5 and Register of Balancing Arrangements 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 RMP, PBP5 and Register of Balancing Arrangements versions issued with the IIR.

Having considered each proposal and the issues raised in the consultation, AEMO has decided no further amendments are required to the RMP, PBP5 and Register of Balancing Arrangements in the forms published in this notice. The target date for these changes to take effect is **April 2017**.

As required under rule 135EE(5) of the NGR, at least 15 business days before these changes are to take effect, AEMO will publish a further notice specifying the actual effective date.

Marked-up and clean copies of the new versions of the RMP, PBP5 and Register of Balancing Arrangements pertaining to the changes described in Attachments A, B and C are enclosed with this Notice.

Should you require any further information please contact Nandu Datar on (03) 9609 8851.

## ATTACHMENT A

### Proposed changes: NSW-ACT RETAIL MARKET PROCEDURES

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#### 1.1.1 EXCLUDED NETWORK SECTIONS

These Procedures apply to the *network sections* situated in all local government areas referred to in any reticulator's authorisation granted under the *Gas Supply Act 1996* of New South Wales, and all areas referred to in any licence to supply or distribute *gas* under the *Utilities Act 2000* of the Australian Capital Territory, except for:

~~(a)~~ the local government areas in which the distribution systems (as defined in the *Gas Supply Act*) for Albury and Tweed Shire are situated; ~~and~~

~~(b) the Shoalhaven network section.~~

## ATTACHMENT B

### Proposed changes: PARTICIPANT BUILD PACK 5 - NSW-ACT

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#### 4. Reference to applicable Network Operator and treatment of multiple meters

NetworkID	Network	Network known as
ACTCANBERRA	ACTEW	ACT gas network
<u>NSWNOWRA</u>	<u>ACTEW</u>	<u>NSW gas network</u>
NSWCOOMA	COUNTRY	Australian Gas Networks Limited (AGNL)
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## ATTACHMENT C

### Proposed changes: NSW-ACT Register of Balancing Arrangements

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## NSW AND ACT GAS RETAIL MARKET

### SCHEDULE 1

#### Register of Balancing Arrangements as required under Clause 8.2 of Retail Market Procedures (NSW and ACT)

NetworkSectionId	NetworkId	Balancing Arrangement	Effective Date
ACTCANTBERRA	ACTEW	Balanced – No OBA	1 February 2004
<u>NSWNOWRA</u>	<u>ACTEW</u>	<u>No Balancing</u>	<u>Early April 2017 (TBC)</u>
NSWCOOMA	COUNTRY	No Balancing	1 January 2002
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NSWSALLYSCNR	AGLGN	No Balancing	1 January 2002
NSWTAMWORTH	NSWCR	No Balancing	15 May 2006
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**ATTACHMENT D – SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED FOR CHANGE**

<b>SUBMISSIONS RELATING TO THE IIR 19 OCT 2016 TO 16 NOV 2016 – ORIGINAL CONSULTATION PERIOD</b>				
	<b>DATE</b>	<b>PARTICIPANT</b>	<b>SUBMISSION</b>	<b>AEMO COMMENTS</b>
1	16 Nov 2016	Jemena / ActewAGL Distribution	<p><u>In relation to RMP (NSW/ACT) and PBP5 changes</u></p> <p>Jemena/ActewAGL Distribution provided following comment, ActewAGL Distribution is supportive of IN001/16 NSW-ACT RMP changes for Shoalhaven Retail Gas with the amended target go-live date of 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017 (as agreed at Shoalhaven Contestability #5 RMP Consultation - 2nd Stage IIR Meeting and Design Phase Meeting).</p>	<p><u>In relation to RMP (NSW/ACT) and PBP5 changes</u></p> <p>AEMO acknowledges Jemena/ActewAGL Distribution’s comment and notes that proposed amendments to RMP (NSW/ACT) and PBP5 will be made as proposed.</p>