Notice to all Participants, 11 October 2016

**Notice to Participants on AEMO decision to approve amendments to Retail Market Procedures (RMP) (SA)**

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 26 September 2016 for:

* **IN003/16 (Heating Degree Day coefficients)**

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 B of this notice sets out the consolidated feedback relating to the RMP 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 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 in the forms published in this notice and has set the effective date for the changes to be **2 November 2016**.

Marked-up and clean copies of the new versions of the Retail Market Procedures pertaining to the changes described in Attachments A will be published by 11 October 2016 on the AEMO website.

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

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| **ATTACHMENT A – PROPOSED CHANGES RETAIL MARKET PROCEDURES (SA)**  **Blue represents additions Red and strikeout represents deletions – Marked up changes** |

(2) ~~From time to time~~ AEMO must ~~may~~, ~~and at least once per calendar year AEMO must and~~ at least once every five years or following a change in the source of weather data used, ~~as a reasonable and prudent person~~, recalculate the value for each coefficient listed in clause 177(1) using linear regression of historic weather data. As soon as practicable after the recalculation, AEMO must publish to participants an update to Appendix 11 specifying the recalculated values.

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| **ATTACHMENT B – SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED FOR CHANGE** |

| **SuBMISSIONs relating to the IIR 15 Apr 2015 to 13 May 2015 – original CONSULTATION period** | | | | |
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|  | **Date** | **PARTICIPANT** | **SUBMISSION** | **aemo comments** |
| 1 | 6 Sep 2016 | AGL | In relation to RMP (SA) changes  AGL provided following comment,  Following discussion with an AEMO Forecasting specialist regarding the outcomes of the forecasting review, AGL accepts AEMO’s position that changing the procedures to a 5 year cycle or change of weather data source, are reasonable at this point in time.  AEMO have advised that following the forecasting review, the relevant procedure changes, the obligations within the various retail procedures will be reviewed in line with the forecasting report recommendations.  On this basis, AGL accepts the proposed retail market procedure changes as proposed by AEMO. | In relation to RMP (SA) changes  AEMO acknowledges AGL’s comment and notes that proposed amendments to RMP (SA) will be made as proposed. |
| 2 | 26 Sep 2016 | Origin Energy | In relation to RMP (SA) changes  Origin Energy provided following comment about clause 177(2) in Att A  Agree to wording change as specified in the IIR | In relation to RMP (SA) changes  AEMO acknowledges Origin Energy’s support. |