

7 July 2023

# Notice to all Registered Victorian Declared Wholesale Gas Market Participants

## **This Notice is to advise Participants on AEMO's decision to:**

- amend the Wholesale Market LNG Reserve Procedures

AEMO is implementing this Procedure change to amend the disposal of LNG stock process. AEMO considers that the process, as currently drafted, provides a relatively limited timeframe for market participants to accept an LNG stock offer and for AEMO to receive payment. The intent of the process was to allow sufficient time for Market Participants to purchase the LNG stock instead of AEMO injecting it into the market.

To ensure Market Participant have sufficient time to purchase LNG stock, AEMO considers that amending the Procedure is urgently required to ensure the orderly and timely operation of the regulated gas market. The consultation process was:

- IIR publication date: 1 June 2023
- IIR consultation submissions due: 30 June 2023
- Notice of Decision published: 7 July 2023
- Effective Date of Procedures: 28 July 2023

As required under Rule 135EF of the NGR, Gas Market Registered Participants and other interested parties were invited to submit comments to AEMO on the changes to the Wholesale Market LNG Reserve procedures. AEMO did not receive any submission in response to the IRR on these amendments.

As required under Rule 135EF of the NGR, AEMO then published this Notice of Decision regarding the Procedure consultation on 7 July 2023. The effective date of the amended Wholesale Market LNG Reserve procedures is 28 July 2023.

AEMO has approved the proposed amendments to the versions issued for this consultation as set out in Attachment A of this Notice.

## **Wholesale Market LNG Reserve Procedures**

AEMO has made the following changes to the Procedures:

- An LNG stock offer will be made to all market participant on business day D+1.
- All Market Participant have until 12 PM AEST on business day D+5 to accept the LNG stock offer. AEMO will accept offers on a first come first served basis.
- The Buyer of the LNG stock has until D+10 at 12pm for AEMO to receipt the payment for the LNG stock.
- AEMO will authorise the LNG storage provider to transfer the LNG stock after payment is received.

## **Appendix A – Documentation**

The final version issued for this consultation is attached separately to this document:

- Wholesale Market LNG Reserve Procedures