

## NOTICE OF FIRST STAGE OF CONSULTATION

National Electricity Rules – Rule 8.9

### Wholesale Demand Response Guidelines

Date of Notice: 22 October 2020

This notice informs all Registered Participants and interested parties (**Consulted Persons**) that AEMO is conducting a consultation on the development of Wholesale Demand Response (WDR) Guidelines (**the Guidelines**).

This consultation is being conducted as required under clause 3.10.1(e) of the National Electricity Rules (**NER**), in accordance with the Rules consultation procedures detailed in rule 8.9 of the NER.

#### Matter under Consultation

The matter for consultation is the proposed contents of the Guidelines to be prepared under clause 3.10.1 of the NER, which will set out various requirements and processes related to the WDR mechanism, that will commence on 24 October 2021. Further details are provided in the Issues Paper published with this notice.

#### The Consultation Process

The consultation process is outlined below. Dates are indicative only and subject to change.

PROCESS STAGE	INDICATIVE DATE
Closing date for submissions in response to the Issues Paper	27 November 2020
Publication of Draft Determination and Draft Guidelines	24 December 2020
Closing date for submissions in response to the Draft Determination and Draft Guidelines	5 February 2021
Publication of Final Determination and Final Guidelines	25 March 2021

#### Invitation to Make Submissions

AEMO invites written submissions on the matter under consultation, including any alternative or additional proposals you consider may better meet the objectives of this consultation and the national electricity objective in section 7 of the National Electricity Law.

Please identify any parts of your submission that you wish to remain confidential, and explain why. AEMO may still publish that information if it does not consider it to be confidential, but will consult with you before doing so.

Please note that material identified as confidential may be given less weight in the decision-making process than material that is published.

**Meetings**

In your submission, you may request a meeting with AEMO to discuss the matter under consultation, stating why you consider a meeting is necessary or desirable.

If appropriate, meetings may be held jointly with other Consulted Persons. Subject to confidentiality restrictions, AEMO will generally make details of matters discussed at a meeting available to other Consulted Persons, and may publish them.

**Closing Date and Time**

Submissions in response to this Notice of First Stage of Rules Consultation should be sent by email to [wdr@aemo.com.au](mailto:wdr@aemo.com.au), to reach AEMO by 5.00pm (Melbourne time) on 27 November 2020.

All submissions must be forwarded in electronic format (both pdf and Word). Please send any queries about this consultation to the same email address.

Submissions received after the closing date and time will not be valid, and AEMO is not obliged to consider them. Any late submissions should explain the reason for lateness and the detriment to you if AEMO does not consider your submission.

**Publication**

All submissions will be published on AEMO's website, other than confidential content.