

WHOLESALE DEMAND RESPONSE – MINOR UPDATE TO RERT PROCEDURE

DRAFT REPORT AND DETERMINATION

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NOTICE OF SECOND STAGE CONSULTATION – WDR UPDATE TO RERT PROCEDURE

National Electricity Rules – Rule 8.9

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This notice informs all Registered Participants and interested parties (Consulted Persons) that AEMO is commencing the second stage of its consultation on the wholesale demand response update to the Procedure for the exercise of the reliability and emergency reserve trader (“the RERT Procedure”).

This consultation is being conducted under clause 3.20.7(e) of the National Electricity Rules (NER), in accordance with the Rules consultation requirements detailed in rule 8.9 of the NER.

Invitation to make Submissions

AEMO invites written submissions on this Draft Report and Determination (Draft Report).

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.

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

Closing Date and Time

Submissions in response to this Notice of Second Stage of Rules Consultation should be sent by email to hugh.ridgway@aemo.com.au, to reach AEMO by 5.00pm (Melbourne time) on 6 August 2021

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.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The publication of this Draft Report and Determination (Draft Report) commences the second stage of the Rules consultation process conducted by AEMO to make the necessary updates to the RERT procedure related to the Wholesale Demand Response project under the National Electricity Rules (NER).

The changes consist of updates to section 4 of the RERT procedure as required by clause 11.125.6 of the National Electricity Amendment (Wholesale demand response mechanism) Rule 2020 No. 9.

AEMO's draft determination is to amend the RERT Procedure in the form published with this Draft Report.



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1. STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION PROCESS

AEMO is consulting on a minor update to the RERT Procedure in accordance with the Rules consultation process in rule 8.9.

AEMO’s indicative timeline for this consultation is outlined below. Future dates may be adjusted depending on the number and complexity of issues raised in submissions.

Deliverable	Indicative date
Notice of first stage consultation [and Issues Paper] published	4 June 2021
First stage submissions closed	9 July 2021
Draft Report & Notice of second stage consultation published	23 July 2021
Submissions due on Draft Report	6 August 2021
Final Report published	3 September 2021

The publication of this Draft Report marks the commencement of the second stage of consultation.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1. NER requirements

Rule 3.20.7(e) - AEMO must develop, publish, and may amend from time to time, in accordance with the Rules consultation procedures, procedures for the exercise of the RERT under this rule 3.20 that consider the RERT principles and RERT guidelines. These procedures must include several matters, such as measures to be adopted in order to reduce the possibility that generating units or loads likely to be activated under unscheduled reserve contracts are otherwise engaged at the time the unscheduled reserve contracts are entered into by AEMO.

2.2. Context for this consultation

The matter for consultation is the set of necessary updates to the Procedure as a result of the 'Wholesale Demand Response Mechanism' rule determination dated 11 June 2020.

2.3. First stage consultation

AEMO issued a Notice of First Stage Consultation on 4th June 2021. The change adds a provision in section 4 of the procedure for scheduled reserves.

AEMO received zero written submissions in the first stage of consultation.

3. SUMMARY OF MATERIAL ISSUES

At this stage no material issues have been identified.

4. DISCUSSION OF MATERIAL ISSUES

N.A.

5. DRAFT DETERMINATION

AEMO’s draft determination is to amend the RERT Procedure in accordance with the draft procedure published with the notice of first stage consultation.