

Notice of First Stage of Consultation

National Electricity Rules – Rule 8.9

1.1. Integrating Energy Storage Systems Rule (IESS Rule) – Electricity Retail Market Procedures (Procedures)

Date of Notice: 6 March 2023

This Notice informs all Registered Participants, Metering Providers, Metering Data Providers, Embedded Network Managers, Ministers, the AER and interested parties (Consulted Persons) that AEMO has published an Issues Paper on the proposed amendments to the Procedures to implement the IESS Rule, as well as to address other matters.

This consultation is being conducted in accordance with the Rules consultation requirements detailed in Rule 8.9 of the National Electricity Rules.

Matters under Consultation

The Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC) made the IESS rule change determination on 2 December 2021 seeking to better integrate storage and hybrid systems into the NEM. The rule takes a significant step toward a technology agnostic two-way market model for the NEM and delivers extensive changes to registration and classification, dispatch arrangements, non-energy cost recovery, and participation of aggregated portfolios of small resources. AEMO needs to amend the Procedures to implement the IESS Rule. The Issues Paper is focused on:

- Proposed changes to the Procedures to accommodate the IESS Rule, including changes to NMI Classification Codes and terminology.
- Other matters, including two Issue Change Forms (ICFs) raised through the Electricity Retail Consultative Forum (ERCF).

Consultation Process

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

PROCESS STAGE	INDICATIVE DATE
Issues paper published	6 March 2023
Submissions due on issues paper	3 April 2023
Draft report published	12 June 2023
Submissions due on draft report	10 July 2023

Invitation to Make Submissions

AEMO invites written submissions on the matter(s) 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 should be sent by email to NEM.Retailprocedureconsultations@aemo.com.au, to reach AEMO by no later than 5.00pm (AEDT) on Monday, 3 April 2023.

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.