



# RELIABILITY STANDARD IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES

FINAL REPORT AND DETERMINATION

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The publication of this Final Report and Determination (Final Report) concludes the Rules consultation process conducted by AEMO to amend the Reliability Standard Implementation Guidelines (RSIG) under the National Electricity Rules (NER).

The matter for consultation was proposed revisions to the RSIG to ensure that this guideline is consistent with clause 4.8.4A of the NER – Reserve level declaration guidelines.

The changes to the RSIG are minor in nature involving only sections 1.3, 1.4 and 2.3.2. These changes do not impact the intended operation of the RSIG and aim only to ensure that references to other processes are consistent.

AEMO received one submission, supporting the changes proposed to the RSIG.

AEMO's final determination is to make the Reliability Standard Implementation Guidelines in the form published on AEMO's website with the Final Report.



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# 1. STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION PROCESS

As required by clause **3.9.3D(c)** of the NER, AEMO has consulted on amendments to the Reliability Standard Implementation Guidelines in accordance with the Rules consultation process in rule 8.9.

AEMO's timeline for this consultation is outlined below.

Deliverable	Indicative date
Notice of first stage consultation published	13 March 2018
First stage submissions closed	24 April 2018
Draft Report & Notice of second stage consultation published	15 May 2018*
Submissions due on Draft Report	4 June 2018*
Final Report published	25 June 2018*

\* Note these dates are later than indicated in the initial notice of consultation.

The publication of this Final Report marks the end of the consultation.

## 2. BACKGROUND

### 2.1 NER requirements

The RSIG are made under clause 3.9.3D of the Rules. They outline how AEMO will implement the National Electricity Market reliability standard. AEMO is required to amend the RSIG in accordance with the Rules consultation procedures in rule 8.9 of the NER.

### 2.2 Context for this consultation

AEMO was consulting on revisions to the RSIG to ensure that this guideline is consistent with clause 4.8.4A of the NER – Reserve level declaration guidelines. Clause 4.8.4A was introduced by the National Electricity Amendment (Declaration of lack of reserve conditions) Rule 2017 No. 17.

The proposed changes to the RSIG for this purpose were minor in nature, involving only sections 1.3, 1.4, and 2.3.2. These changes do not impact the intended operation of the RSIG and aim only to ensure that references to other processes are consistent.

### 2.3 First stage consultation

AEMO issued a Notice of First Stage Consultation on **13 March 2018**.

AEMO received **one** written submission in the first stage of consultation.

A copy of the written submission has been published on AEMO's website at:

<https://www.aemo.com.au/Stakeholder-Consultation/Consultations/Amendments-to-the-Reliability-Standard-Implementation-Guidelines>.

### 2.4 Second stage consultation

AEMO issued a Draft Report and the notice of Second Stage Consultation on **15 May 2018**.

AEMO received **one** written submission in the second stage of consultation.

A copy of the written submission has been published on AEMO's website at:

<https://www.aemo.com.au/Stakeholder-Consultation/Consultations/Amendments-to-the-Reliability-Standard-Implementation-Guidelines>.

## 3. AMENDMENTS AND ISSUES RAISED

### 3.1 Proposed amendments

The proposed changes to the RSIG were minor in nature, and consequential on the introduction of clause 4.8.4A of the NER and the subsequent implementation of AEMO's reserve level declaration guidelines. A description of these changes was provided in Section 3 of the Draft Report.

### 3.2 Issues raised

AEMO received one submission in the second stage consultation, from Meridian Energy Australia and Powershop Australia (MEA Group).

MEA Group had supported the changes to the RSIG in the first stage of consultation, and reiterated that support in its second stage submission. MEA Group noted AEMO's commitment to reporting on the implementation of the reserve level declaration guidelines (as stated in the Draft Report), and emphasised the importance of improving forecasting capabilities to reduce forecast uncertainty.

A copy of the submission has been published with the consultation documents on AEMO's website.



## 4. FINAL DETERMINATION

Having considered the submission made, and given that no material issues were raised by consulted persons on the proposed amendments, AEMO's final determination is to amend the **Reliability Standard Implementation Guidelines**, in accordance with clause **3.9.3D(c)** of the NER, in the form published on AEMO's website with this Final Report.