

NOTICE OF CONSULTATION

STRUCTURE OF PARTICIPANT FEES IN AEMO'S ELECTRICITY MARKETS

This Notice of Consultation informs all Registered Participants and interested parties that AEMO is conducting a consultation on the structure of Participant fees in AEMO's electricity markets.

1. DATE OF NOTICE

This notice was issued on the 14 September 2015.

2. BACKGROUND

Under the National Electricity Rules (NER), AEMO is required to develop, review and publish the structure of Participant fees. The current structure of Participant fees expires on 30 June 2016 and the objective of this consultation is to provide stakeholders with the opportunity to have input into the development of the structure of Participant fees in AEMO's electricity markets to apply from 1 July 2016 relating to:

- The National Electricity Market (NEM)
- Electricity Full Retail Competition (FRC)
- The National Transmission Planner (NTP) function
- The Energy Consumers Australia (ECA) fees collected by AEMO from NEM participants.

3. INVITATION TO MAKE SUBMISSIONS

Submissions are invited in developing the structure of Participant fees in AEMO's electricity markets to apply from 1 July 2016.

In the Initial Consultation Paper: Structure of Participant Fees in AEMO's Electricity Markets, AEMO highlights a number of areas that you may wish to comment on. You are welcome to comment on these issues as well as any other aspect of the electricity Participant fee structure.

4. CLOSING DATE AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

AEMO prefers that submissions be forwarded in electronic format (both pdf and Word) as they will be published on the AEMO website.

Submissions should reach AEMO by 5:00pm AEDT on 20 October 2015.

AEMO has discretion to consider late submissions. Any late submission should explain:

- The reason for the late submission; and
- The detriment to you if AEMO fails to consider your submission.

Please provide electronic submissions by to jack.fitcher@aemo.com.au.

Or hardcopy:

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All submissions will be published on the AEMO website. Please identify any part of your submission that is confidential and cannot be shared. Respondents should note that if material identified as confidential cannot be shared and validated with other interested persons then it may be accorded less weight in AEMO's decision-making process than published material.

5. REQUEST FOR MEETING

Interested persons may request a meeting in their submission. Please specify why you would like a meeting.

6. TIMETABLE

The *Initial Consultation Paper: Structure of Participant Fees in AEMO's Electricity Markets* contains an outline of the proposed consultation process including key dates (which are subject to change).

7. INQUIRIES

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8. RELEVANT NATIONAL ELECTRICITY RULES PROVISIONS

This consultation is being conducted under rule 8.9 of the National Electricity Rules (NER). The consultation is open to all Registered Participants and interested parties.

The structure of Participant fees will be developed in accordance with the requirements of the National Electricity Law and the NER. The relevant provisions are set out in the Initial Consultation Paper: Structure of Participant Fees in AEMO's Electricity Markets.