

Notice to all Participants,

10 October 2016

Notice to Participants on AEMO decision to approve amendments to the FRC Hub Terms and Conditions and the arefacts of the AEMO Specification Pack (SA)

This notice advises Gas Market Registered Participants that consultation under the ordinary Procedure change consultative process prescribed under Rule 135EE of the National Gas Rules (NGR) concluded on 30 September 2016 for:

- **IN029/16 - Documentation changes only to FRC HUB Terms and Conditions to support REMCo to AEMO transition**
- **IN028/16 - Specification Pack document changes to support REMCo to AEMO transition**

Prior to commencing the ordinary consultation process, this proposal was actively considered by the Gas Retail Consultative Forum (GRCF) in accordance with the “Approved Process” under rule 135EC.

As required under Rule 135EE of the NGR, Gas Market Registered Participants and other interested parties were invited to submit comments to AEMO on the Impact and Implementation Report (IIR) for each proposal.

Having considered each proposal and the issues raised in consultation, AEMO has decided to amend the the FRC Hub Terms and Conditions and the arefacts of the AEMO Specification Pack (SA) in the forms published in this notice. The target date for these amendments to take effect is the **31 October 2016**.

New versions of the the FRC Hub Terms and Conditions and the arefacts of the AEMO Specification Pack (SA) pertaining to the changes described in Attachments A and B will be published prior to the effective date on AEMO’s website.

Should you require any further information please contact Danny McGowan on (03) 9609 8447.

ATTACHMENT A – Table Indicating the Changes to the FRC HUB Terms and Condition

The following table summarises all of the changes that are to be made to the FRC HUB Terms and Conditions to enable the Transition. AEMO will use the updated FRC HUB Terms and Conditions to operate all gas retail markets.

Ref	Clause	Current	Change
General Changes			
FRC HUB T&Cs.			
1	Section 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 1 makes reference to the <i>Retail Market Procedures</i> in all jurisdictions, and to the <i>Retail Market Rules</i> in Western Australia. The distinction for Western Australia can be deleted with the Retail Market Rules also being renamed as Retail Market Procedures. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If there is any inconsistency between this document and the jurisdictional Retail Market Procedures (as applicable) and the Retail Market Rules in Western Australia, the Retail Market Procedures and Retail Market Rules will prevail to the extent of that inconsistency. <p>Words and phrases in this document which appear in italics have the meaning given to them under the jurisdictional Retail Market Procedures (as applicable) and under the Retail Market Rules in Western Australia unless an intention to the contrary appears</p>
2	Section 2 – Definitions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 2 makes reference to the <i>Retail Market Procedures</i> in all jurisdictions, and to the <i>Retail Market Rules</i> in Western Australia. The distinction for Western Australia can be deleted with the Retail Market Rules also being renamed as Retail Market Procedures. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FRC HUB means the information system provided by AEMO for the transmission of aseXML messages under the jurisdictional Retail Market Procedures and the Retail Market Rules in Western Australia
3	Section 3 - AEMO responsibilities as FRC HUB service provider	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 3.6.4 makes reference to the <i>Retail Market Procedures</i> in all jurisdictions, and to the <i>Retail Market Rules</i> in Western Australia. The distinction for Western Australia can be deleted with the Retail Market Rules also being renamed as Retail Market Procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AEMO will configure the testing gateway to apply applicable business rules defined in the jurisdictional Retail Market Procedures and Retail Market Rules for Western Australia to incoming transactions

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4	Section 3 - AEMO responsibilities as FRC HUB service provider	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 3.10.1 makes reference to the <i>Retail Market Procedures</i> in all jurisdictions, and to the <i>Retail Market Rules</i> in Western Australia. The distinction for Western Australia can be deleted with the Retail Market Rules also being renamed as Retail Market Procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AEMO will provide a certification gateway, to support the certification of Subscriber compliance with requirements specified in the Retail Market Procedures and Retail Market Rules for Western Australia, or its subordinate instruments (e.g. the Gas Interface Protocol or Specification Pack) applicable in a Subscriber's jurisdiction

ATTACHMENT B – Table Indicating the Changes to the Specification Pack

The following table summarises all of the changes that are to be made to the Specification Pack to enable the Transition. AEMO will use the updated AEMO Specification Pack to operate the WA and SA gas retail markets.

Ref	Clause	Current	Change
Specification Pack Usage Guideline			
1	Front cover		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delete the <i>REMCo</i> logo.
2	Preamble	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This document has been modified to comply as closely as possible with the jurisdictional conditions of both the South Australian and Western Australian gas retail markets in place since 1 October 2009. The reader needs to be aware of the following changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Several terms have been changed to a general term where possible with a market specific definition; and... This approach is to promote interchange-ability in these documents for the benefit of stakeholders from... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delete the entire section.
3	The term - <i>Specification Pack</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The term <i>Specification Pack</i> is used throughout the document. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace with <i>AEMO Specification Pack</i> as the term is used in the <i>procedures</i> (the WA Gas Retail Market Procedures). This change would align the terminology in the <i>procedures</i> for both WA and SA.
4	The term <i>Gas Retail Market Rules</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The term <i>Gas Retail Market Rules</i> is used throughout the document. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace with <i>Retail Market Procedures</i>.

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5	The term <i>Market Operator</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The term <i>relevant Market Operator</i> is used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace with <i>AEMO</i>.
6	2.0		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All the document version numbers are to be updated.

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Interface Control Document			
7	Covering page	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update the listed client: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client: Australian Energy Market Operator Limited (AEMO).
8	Preamble	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This document has been modified to comply as closely as possible with the jurisdictional conditions of both the South Australian and Western Australian gas retail markets in place since 1 October 2009. The reader needs to be aware of the following changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Several terms have been changed to a general term where possible with a market specific definition; and... This approach is to promote interchange-ability in these documents for the benefit of stakeholders from... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delete the entire section.
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11	The term <i>rules</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The term <i>rules</i> is used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace with <i>Procedures</i>.
FRC B2B System Interface Definitions			
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16	The term <i>Market Operator</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The term <i>relevant Market Operator</i> is used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace with <i>AEMO</i>.
17		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appendix D, section 9.1 specifies the LVI, but does not require provision of the LVI. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insert the following text at the beginning of section 9.1 in Appendix D: <i>AEMO</i> will make available the following low-volume interface service for <i>Users</i> that have a market share of no more than 500 <i>MIRNs</i>.
FRC B2M-B2B Hub System Specification			

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FRC B2M-B2B Hub System Architecture			
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28	Section 1.4 , Definitions and Acronyms		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add the acronym <i>AEMO</i>.
29	Section 1.4 , Definitions and Acronyms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amend the definition of the acronym SAWA. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SAWA – South Australia / Western Australia – two separate jurisdictions for the GRMS.
FRC CSV Data Format Specification			
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40	Section 4		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace WA contact details with AEMO contact details
Readiness Criteria			
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46	The term <i>Market Operator</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The term <i>rule</i> is used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace with <i>clause</i>.
47	Section 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Market participants do not need to become <i>AEMO members</i> to participate in the WA gas retail market, they just need to execute the <i>WA Gas Retail Market Agreement</i>. The prerequisites for testing listed in section 2 need to be updated accordingly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Readiness Criteria for New Participants ... For WA, new entrants must become <u>parties to the <i>Western Australian Gas Retail Market Agreement</i> (being the agreement between gas market participants for the purposes of section 11ZOF of the <i>Energy Coordination Act 1994</i> (WA))</u> prior to participating in the Readiness Testing Process. For SA, no such requirement exists.
B2B Service Order Specifications, Part 1			
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B2B Service Order Specifications, Part 2			
No changes required			