

10 January 2020.

Notice to all Registered Participants under the National Gas Rules (NGR)

This Notice is to advise Participants on AEMO's decision to approve amendments to the:

- South Australian (SA) Retail Market Procedures (RMP)
- Specification Pack Usage Guidelines
- SA/WA Interface Control Document (ICD)
- FRC B2B System Interface Definitions
- Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification
- Readiness Criteria
- New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory (NSW/ACT) Retail Market Procedures.
- NSW-ACT Gas Interface Protocol (GIP)
- Participant Build Pack 6 (NSW/ACT – Wagga Wagga and Tamworth)

This Notice advises Gas Market Registered Participants that consultation under the ordinary Procedure Change Consultative Process prescribed under Rule 135EE of the NGR concluded on 13 December 2019 for:

- IN006/17 (Amend the South Australian (SA) RMPs so that they more aligned with the other east coast jurisdictions).

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 this proposal.

Attachment B of this Notice sets out the consolidated feedback relating to the proposed amendments that AEMO received during this consultation phase. This attachment includes stakeholder comments, AEMO responses and, based on those responses based on those responses, an indication where respondent feedback resulted in further amendments to the RMPs mentioned above.

Having considered the feedback provided by each respondent, AEMO has approved the proposed amendments (Attachments A) of this Notice and has set the effective date for the changes to be 10 February 2020.

Updated versions of the documents mentioned in Attachment A will be published on the AEMO website prior to the effective date.

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

ATTACHMENT A
Proposed changes: Retail Market Procedures –
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The final versions of the SA RMP are attached separately to this document.

Note – Because many of the definitions and the body of the SA RMPs has substantially changed, a “track change” version of the SA RMPs is not possible.

Final version of the NSW/ACT RMP and Technical Protocols showing tracked changes between the current version and the proposed changes is attached separately to this document.

ATTACHMENT B

Consolidated feedback for IN006/17 Impact and Implementation Report (IIR) (Amend the South Australian (SA) Retail Market Procedures (RMP) so that they more aligned with the other east coast jurisdictions)

Section 1 - General Comments on the Impact and Implementation Report IIR).

Topic	Item#	Who	Response Received	AEMO response
<p>Sections 1 to 8 of the IIR sets out AEMOs critical examination of the proposal.</p> <p>Does your organisation supports AEMO's examination of the proposal?</p> <p>If no, please specify areas in which your organisation disputes AEMO examination proposal and include information that supports your organisation rational why you do not support AEMO examination.</p>	1	AGL	AGL broadly supports the amendments to the SA procedures as published.	AEMO notes AGLs broad support.
	1.1	APA/AGN	APA/AGN supports AEMO's examination of the proposal.	AEMO notes APA/AGN broad support of AEMO examination/.
<p>Section 9 of the IIR set out AEMOs recommendation.</p> <p>Does your organisation supports AEMO position to recommend the procedures changes?</p>	2	AGL	AGL broadly supports the amendments to the SA procedures as published. AGL sees great improvement in the procedures, if nothing else reducing them from 247 pages to 95 is highly beneficial for all concerned.	AEMO notes AGLs broad support.

	2.1	APA/AGN	APA/AGN supports the recommended changes.	AEMO notes APA/AGNs support.
	2.2	Simply Energy	Simply Energy supports AEMO's position to recommend the changes.	AEMO notes Simply Energy's support.

Section 2 - Feedback on the documentation changes described in Attachments of the IIR

Ref #2 - SAWA Interface Control Document (ICD)

#	Who	Sec #	Issue / Comment	Proposed text Red strikeout means delete and <u>blue underline</u> means insert	AEMO Response
3	AEMO	8.2.3	<p>All MIRNs in the AEMO’s South Australia gas retail system have a Small Use Customer flag at the time the record created and anytime that the Network Operator changes a MIRN from interval meter to basic meter or vice versa the Small Use Customer flag will be changed to align with that change (eg - an interval meter has the Small Use Customer flag therefore = “N” and a Basic meter is Small Use Customer flag therefore = “Y”). As foreshadowed in earlier drafts of the hamonised SA RMPs, AEMO is removing the functionality of maintaining the Small Use Customer flag which is no longer used in the SA gas retail market. As previously advised, the value (“Y” or “N”) for the Small Use Customer flag will still be provided in reports sent to participants hence there is no requirement for participants systems to be modified.</p> <p>The proposed change described in item #3 to item #6 inclusive, adds clarity to the Interface Controlled Document (ICD) which was omitted from the ICD version that accompanied the IIR. These additional amendments to the ICD are non-material and minor documentation change only.</p>	<p>For the “NMIStandingDataUpdateNotification/SingleNMI StandingData” transaction, the usage/comments column for the field “SmallUseCustomer” needs to be amended to align with the SA Retail Market Procedures.</p> <p>In SA: This holds the small use customer indicator, as defined in the BS. <u>If the Boolean “SmallUseCustomer” flag is true = Basic Meter, if False and Interval Meter.</u></p>	<p>As noted in the issue / comments column, advice about how the Small Use Customer flag would be treated was communicated in earlier drafts of the SA RMP however that details weren’t fully explained in the Interface Controlled Document (ICD) version that accompanied the IIR. These additional amendments to the ICD are non-material and because they add the necessary clarity to the documentation, AEMO supports this change.</p>

4	AEMO	8.7.3	See item #3.	<p>For the "Data Flow Definition: Provision of bulk Market Operator standing data (PROV-BSD)", add the following notes:</p> <p><u>NOTE: (SA Only) AEMO must provide bulk AEMO standing data to each Participant on the first business day of the month.</u></p> <p><u>NOTE: (SA Only) If the SMALL CUSTOMER flag = "Y" indicates a Basic meter, "N" an Interval meter</u></p>	See item #3.
5		8.7.4, 8.7.5, 8.7.6 and 8.7.7	See item #3.	<p>For the "Data Flow Definition: Provision of historical Market Operator standing data (PROV-HSD)", add the following note:</p> <p><u>NOTE: If the SMALL CUSTOMER flag = "Y" indicates a Basic meter, "N" an Interval meter</u></p>	See item #3
6		11.2	See item #3.	<p>For the CSV Datatypes used in CSV Formatted Files Only table, in the Element Name for Small Customers,</p> <p>SA: Hold the small use customer indicator as defined in the RMRRMP. <u>The SMALL CUSTOMER flag = "Y" indicates a Basic meter, "N" indicates an Interval meter</u></p>	See item #3