

IMPACT & IMPLEMENTATION REPORT – SUMMARY SECTION
(For AEMO to complete and administer)

Issue Number	IN008/13 – Notification Period for New GBO IDs and Hub IDs		
Impacted Jurisdiction (s)	SA		
Proponent	Aleks Smits	Company	AEMO
Affected Gas Markets(s)	Retail – SA	Consultation process (Ordinary or Expedited)	Expedited
Industry Consultative forum(s) used	GRCF	Date Industry Consultative forum(s)consultation concluded	9 August 2013
Short Description of change(s)	Documentation updates to align the notification period for new GBO IDs and Hub IDs across all gas jurisdictions.		
Procedure(s) or Documentation impacted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retail Market Procedures (SA) • Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification (version 3.3) • Specification Pack Usage Guidelines (version 5.4) 		
Summary of the change(s)	The proposal is to amend the Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification document to include an obligation on AEMO to notify gas retail market participants at least ten business days prior to the effective date of any new GBO IDs for AEMO’s Gas Retail Market Systems (GRMS) and any new Hub IDs for AEMO’s FRC Hub.		
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IMPACT & IMPLEMENTATION REPORT – DETAILED REPORT SECTION

CRITICAL EXAMINATION OF PROPOSAL

<p>1. Description of change(s) and reasons for change(s)</p>	<p>The proponent for this Procedure Change is AEMO.</p> <p>The Procedure Change proposes to amend the Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification document (which forms part of the Specification Pack) to include an obligation on AEMO to notify gas retail market participants at least ten business days prior to the effective date of any new GBO IDs for AEMO's Gas Retail Market Systems (GRMS) and any new Hub IDs for AEMO's FRC Hub.</p> <p>The proposed change is consistent with AEMO's current process for notifying gas retail market participants of any new GBO IDs or Hub IDs, and will make this process a prescribed requirement under the Specification Pack. These changes will be included in a new version 3.4 of the Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification document, and referenced in the Specification Usage Guidelines.</p> <p>See Attachments for marked-up amendments.</p>
<p>2. Reference documentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Procedure Reference ▪ GIP/Specification Pack Reference ▪ Other Reference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Retail Market Procedures (SA) ▪ Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification (version 3.3) ▪ Specification Pack Usage Guidelines (version 5.4)
<p>3. The high level details of the change(s) to the existing Procedures</p> <p>This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A comparison of the existing operation of the Procedures to the proposed change to the operation of the Procedures ▪ A marked up version of the Procedure change 	<p>This Procedure Change proposes the development of a new version 3.4 of the Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification document that includes an obligation on AEMO to notify gas retail market participants at least ten business days prior to the effective date of any new GBO IDs or Hub IDs.</p> <p>The effective date for version 3.4 of the Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification document will be 1 October 2013.</p> <p>A new version 5.5 of the Specification Pack Usage Guidelines will also need to be released to include the new version 3.4 of the Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification document.</p> <p>See Attachments for marked-up amendments.</p>
<p>4. Explanation regarding the order of magnitude of the change (eg: material, non-material or non-substantial)</p>	<p>The amendments are non-substantial and comprise of documentation changes only.</p> <p>The proposed change does not require any participant system changes or any modifications to the GRMS.</p> <p>The amendments are consistent with AEMO's current process for notifying gas retail market participants of any new GBO IDs or Hub IDs.</p>

ASSESSMENT OF LIKELY EFFECT OF PROPOSAL

<p>5. Overall Industry Cost / benefit (tangible / intangible / risk) analysis and/or cost estimates</p>	<p>AEMO considers that the likely benefit for industry as a whole are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clarity in relation to the notification period for the activation of any new GBO IDs and Hub IDs. ▪ Consistency with other jurisdictions, whereby AEMO must notify gas retail market participants in VIC and QLD at least ten business days prior to the effective date of any new GBO Hub IDs. <p>Consistency in the GRMS specification pack and usage guidelines that are used across both the WA and SA retail gas markets.</p>
<p>6. The likely implementation effect of the change(s) on stakeholders (e.g. Industry or end-users)</p>	<p>AEMO does not anticipate any implementation effect for gas retail market participants as a result of this Procedure Change. The Procedure change will add clarity and provides clearer obligations relating to the connectivity testing arrangements across all jurisdictions.</p>
<p>7. Testing requirements</p>	<p>Nil</p>
<p>8. AEMO's preliminary assessment of the proposal's compliance with section 135EB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - consistency with NGL and NGR, - regard to national gas objective - regard to any applicable access arrangements 	<p><u>Consistency with NGL and NGR:</u></p> <p>AEMO's view is that the proposed change is consistent with the NGL and NGR. The proposed change promotes clarity and consistency across three jurisdictions and documents and codifies an existing process in the Procedures.</p> <p><u>National gas objective</u></p> <p><i>"Promote efficient investment in, and efficient operation and use of, natural gas services for the long term interests of consumers of natural gas with respect to price, quality, safety, reliability and security of supply of natural gas."</i></p> <p>It is AEMO's view that this change facilitates efficient operation of the retail gas market, and is in the long-term interests of consumers as it promotes clarity and consistency in the documentation that governs the operation of the market.</p> <p><u>Applicable access arrangements</u></p> <p>AEMO's view is that the proposed change is not in conflict with existing Access Arrangements. There were no Distributor concerns raised.</p>
<p>9. Consultation Forum Outcomes (e.g. the conclusions made on the change(s) whether there was unanimous approval, any dissenting views)</p>	<p>AEMO received unanimous approval on this proposed change. Participants supported changes to processes and Procedures which advocated for a consistent and coordinated approach to operations within energy markets.</p> <p>The proposal was discussed at the August 2013 GRCF and the July 2013 ITDF with no dissenting views or concerns raised by any participants,</p>

RECOMMENDATION(S)	
<p>10. Should the proposed Procedures be made, (with or without amendments)?</p>	<p>The effective date for the new version 3.4 of the Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification document is targeted for 1 October 2013.</p> <p>This is in line with the proposed implementation date of the FRC Hub terms and conditions consultation (IN006/11) and the Rule Change proposal relating to the standardisation of connectivity testing and system certification processes in WA, which also utilises the GRMS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The consultation period for the Impact & Implementation Report (IIR) will close on 30 August 2013 ▪ AEMO will make a decision by 9 September 2013 ▪ The effective date for the changes will be 1 October 2013
<p>11. If applicable, a proposed effective date for the proposed change(s) to take effect and justification for that timeline.</p>	<p>AEMO proposes an effective date on 1 October 2013.</p>

**ATTACHMENT A –
PROPOSED CONNECTIVITY AND TECHNICAL CERTIFICATION CHANGES**
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Add the following sections to the Connectivity and Technical Certification document.

1.4 Authorise Participants to use the FRC Hub

If the Market Operator is satisfied with the outcomes of the certification process and the Participant has met their other regulatory and market requirements enabling them to communicate with the FRC Hub and actively participate in the retail market, the Market Operator will then:

1. If relevant - advise other Participants that a New Participant is certified to use the FRC Hub and provide the new Participants ID. New Participants should allow ten business days for other Participant's systems to be updated; and
2. Issue an authorisation for the Participant to actively send transactions through the FRC Hub.

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2.5 Authorise Participants to use the GRMS FTP Gateway

If the Market Operator is satisfied with the outcomes of the certification process and the Participant has met their other regulatory and market requirements enabling them to communicate with the GRMS FTP Gateway and actively participate in the retail market, the Market Operator will then:

1. If relevant - advise other Participants that a New Participant is certified to use the GRMS FTP Gateway and provide the new Participants GBO ID. New Participants should allow ten business days for other Participant's systems to be updated; and
2. Issue an authorisation for the Participant to actively send transactions through the GRMS FTP Gateway.

**ATTACHMENT B –
PROPOSED SPECIFICATION PACK USAGE GUIDELINE CHANGES**
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Update the Specification Pack Usage Guideline as shown below.

2. Overview of the Specification Pack

The following table provides an overview of the Specification Pack. The documents are provided in a directory structure as follows:

Main Directory	Sub-Directory	Documents	Version
Specification Pack	1. Usage Guidelines	Specification Pack Usage Guidelines	5.4 5
	2. Interface Control Document (ICD)	Interface Control Document	4.3
	3. B2B System Interface Definitions	FRC B2B System Interface Definitions	3.5
	4. Transport Layer	FRC B2M-B2B Hub System Specifications FRC B2M-B2B Hub System Architecture	3.5 3.1
	5. CSV File Format	FRC CSV Data Format Specification	3.2
	6. Connectivity and Technical Certification	Connectivity Testing and Technical Certification	3.3 4
	7. Readiness Criteria	Readiness Criteria	2.1
	8. Service Order Specifications	B2B Service Order Specifications, Part 1 and Part 2,	2.2 3.1
	9. aseXML Schemas	The complete set of aseXML schemas and examples which participants have subscribed to for SA / WA Gas is available from www.aemo.com.au/asexml	SA – R29 WA – R13