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Explanatory statement and consultation notice

The publication of this draft report commences AEMO's expedited consultation to consider the changes which are proposed (**Proposal**) to the Retail Electricity Market Procedures and related documents (Procedures) under the National Electricity Rules (**NER**), which relate to:

1. Amending table 14-H of the MSATS Principles and Obligations for all Connection Points Procedure to allow a new NMI Service Providers (NMISPs) to be notified when they are nominated for the role.
2. Removing embedded network references from 9.3.5 of MSATS Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points Procedure.
3. Aligning the Guide to the Role of the Metering Coordinator with Basic Power Quality Data Procedure v1.1.
4. Updating the Basic Power Quality Data Procedure and the Audit Metering Coordinator Auditing Questions Template to incorporate corrections to clause referencing errors.
5. Removing South Australia and New South Wales from the Controlled Load Profiles section of Understanding Load Profiles Published from MSATS document.
6. Updating the metering installation criteria for SAPS connection.
7. Updating Metrology Part B Substitution Rules for Secondary Settlement Points (SSP) to apply zero settlement if the Premises Connection Point (PCP) or SSP is not recorded in 5 minute trading intervals.
8. Updating the RoLR procedure to include SSPs.
9. Updating the following fields in the Standing Data for MSATS:
 - a. Removing the transitional references in Table 3 GPSCoordinatesLat and GPSCoordinatesLong
 - b. Removing the term 'free text' from the standing data field descriptions of 'Manufacturer', 'Model' and 'Network Tariff Code'.

This consultation is undertaken as required by NER 7.16.1 (a), following the expedited rules consultation procedure in NER 8.9.3. AEMO considers that the expedited rules consultation procedure is appropriate because the proposal is non-material for the following reasons:

- No new procedures are being proposed.
- The proposed changes to the Procedures are not expected to have any direct impact on the NEM wholesale market or power system.
- It is expected that only minor system changes are required by participants following updates to MSATS - Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points, so that when they are nominated for the NMISP role they are able receive notification changes.

- Updating the fields in the Standing Data for MSATS is to remove expired transitional arrangements which have been in this document since 2020 so the remaining number of manually read meters without GPS data should be low.
- Updating the standing data field descriptions will not introduce any new obligations or system changes for participants.
- Removing embedded network references from 9.3.5 of MSATS Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points is expected to only impact AEMO.
- The remaining changes are intended to update procedures to ensure that they are consistent which will not introduce any obligations or system changes.

AEMO's draft proposal is to amend the below documents in the form published with this draft report, with the proposed effective dates of:

Effective 14 August 2026:

- Audit Metering Coordinator Auditing Questions Template v1.3.
- Basic Power Quality Data Procedure v1.2.
- Guide to the Role of the Metering Coordinator (MC) v1.62.
- Metrology Procedure Part A v8.14.
- MSATS Procedures - Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points v8.02
- Understanding Load Profiles Published from MSATS v6.2.

Effective 1 November 2026:

- Guide to the Role of the Metering Coordinator (MC) v1.72.
- Metrology Procedure Part A v8.23.
- Metrology Procedure Part B v8.23.
- MSATS Procedures - Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points v8.13.
- NEM RoLR Processes Part A v2.6
- Retail Electricity Market Procedures – Glossary and Framework v4.72.
- Standing Data for MSATS v6.32.

Consultation notice

If any person considers that AEMO should follow the standard (rather than expedited) consultative procedure for this proposal, they can submit a request for AEMO to do so (a **procedure change request**) within 10 business days after publication of this draft report. Any procedure change request must be sent to nem.retailprocedureconsultations@aemo.com.au by 5:00pm (Melbourne time) on 29 June 2026. In accordance with NER 8.9.3(b), a request must include reasons why the person considers the proposal is not a 'Non-material Proposal' as defined in NER 8.9.1 – that is, why it would have a significant effect on the NEM or on the activities of a relevant group of registered participants.

AEMO invites written submissions from interested persons on this draft report and the draft proposal to nem.retailprocedureconsultations@aemo.com.au by 5:00pm (Melbourne time) on 15 July 2026.

Submissions may include alternative or additional proposals you consider may better meet the objectives of this consultation and the national electricity objective in section 7 of the National Electricity Law. Please include supporting reasons.

Before making a submission (including a procedure change request), please read and take note of AEMO's consultation submission guidelines, which can be found at <https://aemo.com.au/consultations>. Subject to those guidelines, submissions will be published on AEMO's website.

If a submission contains confidential or commercially sensitive information that you do not wish to be published, please clearly indicate in writing at the time of making the submission that the whole submission is confidential or identify which parts of the submission you wish to be treated confidentially. In some circumstances, we may decide to publish a confidential submission but will consult with you before doing so. Such a decision would only be made in accordance with AEMO's legal obligations. In the interests of transparent decision-making, we may give less weight to information that we cannot publish.

AEMO is not obliged to publish or consider submissions received after the closing date, but late submissions may be accepted at AEMO's discretion.

Interested persons can request a meeting with AEMO to discuss any particularly complex, sensitive or confidential matters relating to the proposal. Please refer to NER 8.9.1(k). Meeting requests must be received by the end of the submission period and include reasons for the request. AEMO will try to accommodate reasonable meeting requests but, where appropriate, we may hold joint meetings with other stakeholders or convene a meeting with a broader industry group. Subject to confidentiality restrictions, AEMO will publish a summary of matters discussed at stakeholder meetings.

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1. Stakeholder consultation process

As required by National Electricity Rules (NER) 7.16.1 (a) AEMO is consulting on changes which are proposed (Proposal) to the Retail Electricity Market Procedures and related documents (Procedures) under the National Electricity Rules (NER). AEMO is using in accordance with the expedited rules consultation procedure in NER 8.9.3 for this consultation.

Note that this document uses terms defined in the NER, which are intended to have the same meanings.

AEMO's process and expected timeline for this consultation are outlined below. Future dates may be adjusted, and additional steps may be included as needed, as the consultation progresses.

Table 1 Consultation process and timeline

Consultation steps	Dates
Draft report published	12 June 2026
Procedure change request deadline	29 June 2026
Submissions due on draft report	15 July 2026
Final report published	Expected 14 August 2026

AEMO considers that the expedited rules consultation procedure is appropriate for the proposal because it is not expected to have a significant impact on either:

- The NEM wholesale market or power system, because these changes are not expected to have any direct impact to how prices are determined, settlements or how electricity is traded.
- The activities of the groups of registered participants that the proposal relates to for the reasons outlined in the Explanatory statement and consultation notice section.

At any time before the final report is published and based on information received through submissions to this draft report, any procedure change requests under NER 8.9.3(b) or otherwise, AEMO may decide that the proposal can no longer be considered non-material. If so, AEMO will switch to the standard consultation procedure by publishing a notice under NER 8.9.3(f).

AEMO's consultation webpage for the proposal is at www.aemo.com.au/consultations/current-and-closed-consultations, which will contain all previous published papers and reports, written submissions, and other consultation documents or reference material (other than material identified as confidential).

2. Context and regulatory considerations

2.1. Context for this consultation

AEMO is proposing changes to the Procedures due to:

- Feedback from stakeholders after the finalisation of the Flexible trading arrangements consultation, which has identified changes to Procedures required as a result of the introduction of secondary settlement points – see further detail in section 3.1.
- Identification that the expedited BPQD consultation conducted in February 2026 does not fully align to the terminology used in the IEC B2B Data Posting Process – see further detail in section 3.3.
- An AEMC rule change ‘Improving metering and metrology arrangements’ which allows SAPS connections to be metered by a type 4A metering installation – see further detail in section 3.9.
- Identification of administrative errors and expired transitional arrangements in the Standing Data for MSATS document remaining – see further detail in section 3.7.
- Removal of NSW and SA controlled load profiles from the Metrology Procedures to be replicated in the Understanding Load Profiles Published from MSATS document – see further detail in section 3.5.

2.2. NER requirements

As per NER 7.16.1 (a), AEMO is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of retail electricity market procedures specified in NER Chapter 7 except for procedures established and maintained under NER 7.17.

2.3. The national electricity objective

Within the specific requirements of the NER applicable to this proposal, AEMO will seek to make a determination that is consistent with the national electricity objective (NEO) and, where considering options, to select the one best aligned with the NEO.

The NEO is expressed in section 7 of the National Electricity Law as:

to promote efficient investment in, and efficient operation and use of, electricity services for the long term interests of consumers of electricity with respect to:

- (a) price, quality, safety, reliability and security of supply of electricity; and
- (b) the reliability, safety and security of the national electricity system; and
- (c) the achievement of targets set by a participating jurisdiction—

- (i) for reducing Australia’s greenhouse gas emissions; or
- (ii) that are likely to contribute to reducing Australia’s greenhouse gas emissions.

3. Proposal discussion

AEMO is proposing to make the following changes to the Procedures and the reasons for these proposed changes are explained in the following sections.

3.1. Flexible Trading Arrangements Proposal discussion

AEMO concluded its consultation on the changes to the Retail Electricity Market Procedures under the National Electricity Rules (NER) in response to the “Unlocking Consumer Energy Resources (CER) benefits through flexible trading” rule on 30 September 2025.

Stakeholders identified four areas, related to the introduction of secondary settlement points, where Procedures are required to be amended.

3.1.1. Notifying new NMISPs

AEMO received feedback that the new NMISP nominated does not receive a notification as per the table 14-H. This prevents the new NMISP from declining the role if they are incorrectly nominated. AEMO is proposing to update table 14-H so that if a new LNISP is nominated for the role, they will receive a notification in MSATS advising them of the change.

3.1.2. Simplifying the creation of SSP NMI Details

AEMO reviewed the MSATS Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points procedure and reviewed section 9.3.5 which requires AEMO to populate the change request with the Embedded Network Parent and Embedded Network Child. AEMO is proposing to remove embedded network terms from being required for a CR2040 – Create NMI Details – SSP.

3.1.3. Updating the RoLR procedure and Glossary and Framework

Currently, the NEM RoLR Processes Part A does not specify the NMISP obligations and processes for when a RoLR process is initiated for a SSP. AEMO is proposing to update NEM RoLR Processes Part A to confirm the obligations of the NMISP when the FRMP at the SSP becomes a failed retailer.

In addition to the above changes, AEMO is also proposing to add a new definition of SPLR to the glossary and framework. The SSP Local Retailer (SPLR) will be the PCP FRMP and AEMO is proposing to update the glossary and framework to clarify the role.

3.1.4. Updating substitution rules

AEMO has identified that Metrology Procedure Part B is required to be updated to clarify that AEMO will exclude metering data for the SSP or child connection points from settlements when the PCP or SSP is not recording in 5 minute intervals.

AEMO is proposing to include a new clause, 3.2.j (iii) to confirm AEMO will not settle on data provided which is not in 5-minute intervals.

AEMO is proposing that the changes in section 3.1 take effect on 1 November 2026.

3.2. Metering Services Review Package 3

Following the conclusion of the BPQD Procedure Expedited Consultation, AEMO received stakeholder feedback indicating that the following updates are required:

- Correct a typo in the Basic Power Quality Data Procedure.
- Updates to section 21 of the Audit Metering Coordinator Auditing Questions Template to clarify the correct sections for BPQD obligations.
- Updates section 6.1 and 6.4 of the Guide to the Role of the MC to confirm that BPQD is to be delivered via the B2B e-Hub.

AEMO is proposing to:

- Replace 3(a) with 4(a) of Section 4.C of the Basic Power Quality Data Procedure
- Replace references to clauses 3(b), 3(c) and 3(d) with 4(b), 4(c) and 4(d) of section 21 of the Audit Metering Coordinator Auditing Questions Template.
- Update section 6.1 and 6.4 of the Guide to the Role of the MC.

AEMO is proposing an effective date of 14 August 2026.

3.3. Removing SA and NSW Controlled Load Profiles

AEMO removed the NSW and SA controlled load profiles from the procedures in consultations during 2024 and 2025 for NSW and SA. AEMO is now proposing to remove the controlled load profiles for NSW and SA from the Understanding Load Profiles Published from MSATS document, specifically:

- Section 3.1: Add NSW and SA.
- Section 3.2: Remove NSW and SA.
- Section 4.2: Remove CLOADNSWxx and SACLOAD profile names.
- Section 4.3: Remove CLOADNSWxx and SACLOAD profile names.

- Appendix A: Add NSW and SA.
- Appendix B: Remove NSW and SA.

AEMO is proposing to amend the Understanding Load Profiles Published from MSATS with an effective date of 14 August 2026.

3.4. MSATS Standing data review

Following an internal review, AEMO has identified the following changes are required to the Standing Data for MSATS document:

- Expired transitional arrangements from the MSATS Standing Data Review in 2020 are still mentioned in the Standing Data for MSATS document, describing a 36 month transition period for GPS fields to be updated. AEMO propose to remove these expired transitional arrangements for the fields “GPSCoordinatesLat” and “GPSCoordinatesLong” for all NMIs with manually read meters.
- The following standing data fields: Manufacturer, Model, Network Tariff Code are listed as free text, however only enumerations are available. AEMO propose to remove the term ‘free text’.

These changes relate to:

Standing Data for MSATS

- Table 3 GPSCoordinatesLat and GPSCoordinatesLong: Remove first paragraph from the Standing Data Required “REQUIRED for 36 months from effective date of these Procedures” and “thereafter”.
- Table 3 GPSCoordinatesLat and GPSCoordinatesLong: Remove second paragraph from the Standing Data Required “the effective date of these procedures”.
- Table 3 Manufacturer: Replace “Free text field to identify” with “Identification of”.
- Table 3 Model: Replace “Free text field to identify” with “Identification of”.
- Table 18 NetworkTariffCode: Remove “The Network Tariff Code is a free text field required”.

AEMO is proposing to amend the Standing Data for MSATS with an effective date of 1 November 2026.

3.5. Updating the criteria for SAPS connection.

On 23 April 2026, the AEMC published a rule “Improving metering and metrology arrangements” which changed the requirements for SAPS connections points. This rule allows

for type 4A meter to be used for SAPS connection point only under the following circumstances:

A type 4A metering installation may be used for a *regulated SAPS market generating unit or market bidirectional unit* (as applicable) *connection point* where:

- (1) there is only one *market generating unit* or one *market bidirectional unit* (as applicable) at the *connection point*;
- (2) the energy volume provided at the *market generation unit* or *market bidirectional unit* (as applicable) *connection point* does not exceed the *energy volume* thresholds set out by AEMO in the *Market Settlement and Transfer Solution Procedures*;
- (3) the *metering installation* at the *connection point* is not classified as a *small customer metering installation*; and
- (4) the *financially responsible Market Participant* is a *Market SAPS Resource Provider*.

AEMO is proposing to update Metrology Part A and MSATS Procedures - Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points to allow a type 4A as an acceptable metering installation at a SAPS connection point.

MSATS Procedures - Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points:

- Section 4.8: Add SAPS to code MRAM in Table 4 K.
- Add conditions to section 4.81 Consequences of Allocating Certain Metering Installation Codes.

Metrology Procedure Part A

- Update sections 3.4 and 12.2.

AEMO is proposing to implement the changes following the updating the criteria for SAPS connection with an effective date of 14 August 2026.

Questions

- **Does your organisation agree with the Proposal?**
- **Are there any other comments you would like to make in relation to the Proposal?**

3.6. Proposed effective dates

The proposed effective dates for to the Procedures are as follows:

- Changes to the Procedures for Flexible Trading Arrangements are required to be made by the effective date of 1 November 2026 for SSPs.
- Changes to the Procedures for the MSATS Standing Data Review are proposed to be made by the effective date of 1 November 2026 to minimise the administrative impact of this change.
- Changes to the Procedures and Documents for the remaining issues should be made with effect from the conclusion of this consultation on 14 August 2026.

4. Draft determination

4.1. Draft determination

AEMO's draft determination is to amend the following Procedures in the form published with this draft report:

Effective 14 August 2026:

- Audit Metering Coordinator Auditing Questions Template v1.3.
- Basic Power Quality Data Procedure v1.2.
- Guide to the Role of the Metering Coordinator (MC) v1.62.
- Metrology Procedure Part A v8.14.
- MSATS Procedures - Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points v8.02
- Understanding Load Profiles Published from MSATS v6.2.

Effective 1 November 2026:

- Guide to the Role of the Metering Coordinator (MC) v1.72.
- Metrology Procedure Part A v8.23.
- Metrology Procedure Part B v8.23.
- MSATS Procedures - Principles and Obligations for All Connection Points v8.13.
- NEM RoLR Processes Part A v2.6.
- Retail Electricity Market Procedures – Glossary and Framework v4.72.
- Standing Data for MSATS v6.32.