



Draft National Gas Amendment (Minor changes 1) Rule 2023

The Australian Energy Market Commission makes the following Rule under the National Gas Law to the extent applied by:

- (a) the *National Gas (South Australia) Act 2008 of South Australia*;
- (b) the *National Gas (ACT) Act 2008 of the Australian Capital Territory*;
- (c) the *National Gas (New South Wales) Act 2008 of New South Wales*;
- (d) the *National Gas (Queensland) Act 2008 of Queensland*;
- (e) the *National Gas (Tasmania) Act 2008 of Tasmania*;
- (f) the *National Gas (Victoria) Act 2008 of Victoria*;
- (g) the *National Gas (Northern Territory) Act 2008 of the Northern Territory*;
- (h) the *National Gas Access (WA) Act 2009 of Western Australia*;
and
- (i) the *Australian Energy Market Act 2004 of the Commonwealth*.

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1 Title of Rule

This Rule is the *Draft National Gas Amendment (Minor changes 1) Rule 2023*.

2 Commencement

This Rule commences operation on 7 September 2023.

3 Amendment to the National Gas Rules

The National Gas Rules are amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendment to the National Gas Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] Rule 171A Information about BB field interests

Omit rule 171A.

[2] Rule 171B Information relating to reserves and resources

Omit rule 171B.

[3] Rule 171C AER monitoring of reserves and resources reporting

Omit rule 171C.

[4] New rule 171A Information about BB field interests

After rule 171, insert:

171A Information about BB field interests

- (1) A BB reporting entity must provide to AEMO the following information for each of its BB field interests:
 - (a) the location of the BB field and information to identify the petroleum tenements the subject of the BB field interest;
 - (b) the geological basin in which the field is located, using basin names specified in the BB Procedures;
 - (c) the processing facility used to process gas from the field;
 - (d) its BB field interest in the petroleum tenements (as a percentage);
 - (e) where the BB reporting entity is reporting as the responsible field owner for a field owner group, the BB field interest (as a percentage) of each member of the field owner group;
 - (f) classification of the resources in the field as conventional or unconventional, and if unconventional, any further sub-classification provided for in the BB Procedures; and
 - (g) the nature of the gas in the field using classifications in the BB Procedures (such as dry gas, gas condensate or gas found in conjunction with oil).
- (2) A BB reporting entity must provide the information referred to in subrule (1) to AEMO:
 - (a) on registration of the BB field interest; and

- (b) annually thereafter not later than 40 business days after the end of the reserves reporting year for the BB field interest.
- (3) A BB reporting entity must update the information provided under subrule (1) if the information is no longer accurate.

[5] New rule 171B Information relating to reserves and resources

After rule 171A, insert:

171B Information relating to reserves and resources

- (1) A BB reporting entity must provide to AEMO the following information for each of its BB field interests for each reserves reporting year:
 - (a) an estimate of the BB field interest's 1P reserves, 2P reserves and 3P reserves at the end of the reserves reporting year, broken down into developed and undeveloped reserves;
 - (b) an estimate of the BB field interest's 2C resources at the end of the reserves reporting year;
 - (c) except where the BB reporting entity is reporting under paragraph (a) or (b) for the BB field interest for the first time, an estimate of the total movement in the BB field interest's 2P reserves since the end of prior reporting year, broken down using the following categories:
 - (i) the production of gas;
 - (ii) extension of a field's proved area;
 - (iii) a percentage change in the BB field interest;
 - (iv) upward revision of 2P reserves arising from the reclassification of 3P reserves or resources to 2P reserves;
 - (v) downward revision of 2P reserves arising from the reclassification of 2P reserves to 3P reserves or resources; and
 - (vi) other revisions.
- (2) A BB reporting entity must provide to AEMO the following information for each of its BB field interests for which the sum of 2P reserves and 2C resources in the BB field at the end of the reserves reporting year is greater than 50 PJ:
 - (a) the project maturity sub-class for the 2P reserves and 2C resources classified in accordance with SPE-PRMS;
 - (b) the likely timing for the production of the 2P reserves or 2C resources; and
 - (c) a list of any barriers to commercial recovery of the 2C resources.

- (3) A BB reporting entity must provide to AEMO for each of its BB field interests its estimates of the change in the 2P reserves estimate reported under subrule (1)(a) arising from:
 - (a) a 10% increase in the gas price assumptions used to prepare the estimate; and
 - (b) a 10% decrease in the gas price assumptions used to prepare the estimate.
- (4) A BB reporting entity must provide to AEMO a statement of the basis of preparation of the reserves and resources estimates provided under subrule (1) including:
 - (a) the resources assessment method used to prepare the reserves and resources estimates using categories in SPE-PRMS;
 - (b) the conversion factor used to convert quantities measured in trillions of cubic feet to PJ;
 - (c) the key economic assumptions in the forecast case used to prepare the reserves and resources estimates and the source of the assumptions; and
 - (d) whether the qualified gas industry professional who prepared, or supervised the preparation of, the reserves and resources estimates is independent of the BB reporting entity.
- (5) A BB reporting entity must provide the information referred to in subrules (1) to (4) to AEMO no later than 40 business days after the end of the reserves reporting year for the BB field interest.
- (6) A BB reporting entity must update the reserves and resources estimates provided by it to AEMO under subrules (1)(a) and (b) (including in its capacity as a responsible facility operator for a field owner group) if:
 - (a) the total amount of those reserves and resources estimates across all its BB field interests is no longer accurate by 50 PJ or more (up or down) as the result of:
 - (i) a percentage change in any of its BB field interests;
 - (ii) a re-evaluation of reserves or resources; or
 - (iii) discoveries of new reserves or resources including through extension of a field's proved area; or
 - (b) a revised estimate of 1P reserves, 2P reserves, 3P reserves or 2C resources is published by the BB reporting entity or provided by the BB reporting entity to a state, federal or territory government department or government agency or a securities exchange (including the Australian Securities Exchange).

[6] New rule 171C AER monitoring of reserves and resources reporting

After rule 171B, insert:

171C AER monitoring of reserves and resources reporting

- (1) The AER may require a BB reporting entity to:
 - (a) retain, at the cost of the BB reporting entity, an independent qualified gas industry professional to undertake an audit of the information provided to AEMO under this Subdivision; and
 - (b) publish the outcome of the audit.
- (2) When providing a reserves and resources estimate to AEMO (including any update), a BB reporting entity must at the same time provide to the AER:
 - (a) the gas price assumptions used in preparing the estimate and a description of how the assumptions were derived; and
 - (b) the verification statement required under subrule 171(6)(b) in relation to uncontracted reserves.
- (3) Information provided to the AER under subrule (2) is taken to be information given to the AER in confidence.

[7] Rule 235 Imbalance payments and Deviation payments

In subrules 235(3)(a) and (b), for each occurrence, omit "operational schedule" and substitute "operating schedule".

[8] Rule 237 Participant Compensation Claims

In subrule 237(1), omit "under rule 343 (intervention) or 349 (administered price cap)" and substitute "under rule 344 (intervention) or 350 (administered price cap)".

[9] Rule 237 Participant Compensation Claims

In subrule 237(5), omit "in subrule (2)." and substitute "in subrule (3).".

[10] Rule 238 Determination and payment of compensation claims

In subrule 238(5), omit "rule 343 or 349," and substitute "rule 344 or 350,".