

Amendments to clause 6A.2.3

6A.2.3 Guidelines

- (a) The *AER*:
- (1) must make and *publish* the *Shared Asset Guidelines*, the *Capital Expenditure Incentive Guidelines*, the *Expenditure Forecast Assessment Guidelines*, the *Transmission Confidentiality Guidelines*, the *Cost Allocation Guidelines*, ~~the *information guidelines*~~ and the *pricing methodology guidelines* in accordance with the *Rules*; and
 - (2) may, in accordance with the *transmission consultation procedures*, make and publish guidelines as to any other matters relevant to this Chapter.
- (b) A guideline may relate to a specified *Transmission Network Service Provider* or *Transmission Network Service Providers* of a specified class.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, a guideline is not mandatory (and so does not bind the *AER* or anyone else) but, if the *AER* makes a *transmission determination* that is not in accordance with the guideline, the *AER* must state, in its reasons for the *transmission determination*, the reasons for departing from the guideline.
- (d) If a guideline indicates that there may be a change of regulatory approach in future *transmission determinations*, the guideline should also (if practicable) indicate how transitional issues are to be dealt with.
- (e) Subject to paragraph (f), the *AER* may, from time to time and in accordance with the *transmission consultation procedures*, amend or replace a guideline.
- (f) The *AER* may make administrative or minor amendments to any guideline without complying with the *transmission consultation procedures*.
- (g) This clause 6A.2.3 does not apply to the *Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines* or the *system security network support payment guidelines*.

Amendments to rule 6A.17

Part F Information Disclosure

6A.17 ~~[Deleted] Information disclosure by Transmission Network Service Providers~~

6A.17.1 ~~Information to be provided to AER~~

- ~~(a) In this rule 6A.17, 'certified annual statement' means an annual statement provided by a *Transmission Network Service Provider* under this rule 6A.17 and certified in accordance with the *information guidelines*.~~
- ~~(b) A *Transmission Network Service Provider* must submit to the *AER*, in the manner and form set out in the *information guidelines*, annual statements that:
 - ~~(1) provide a true and fair statement of the financial and operating performance of the *Transmission Network Service Provider*;~~
 - ~~(2) are certified in accordance with the *information guidelines*; and~~
 - ~~(3) otherwise comply with the requirements of this clause and the *information guidelines*.~~~~
- ~~(c) In addition to the certified annual statements, the *AER* may require a *Transmission Network Service Provider* to provide, by a date and in the form and manner specified by the *AER*, any additional information the *AER* reasonably requires for a purpose set out in paragraph (d).~~
- ~~(d) The certified annual statements and additional information provided by a *Transmission Network Service Provider* to the *AER* under this rule 6A.17 may be used by the *AER* only for the following purposes:
 - ~~(1) to monitor, report on and enforce the compliance of the *Transmission Network Service Provider* with the *total revenue cap* for the *Transmission Network Service Provider* for a *regulatory control period*, the *maximum allowed revenue* for the *Transmission Network Service Provider* for each *regulatory year*, and any requirements that are imposed on the *Transmission Network Service Provider* under a *transmission determination*;~~
 - ~~(2) to monitor, report on and enforce compliance with the provider's *Cost Allocation Methodology*;~~
 - ~~(3) as an input regarding the financial, economic and operational performance of the *Transmission Network Service Provider*, to inform the *AER's* decision making for the making of *revenue determinations* or other regulatory controls to apply in future *regulatory control periods*;~~
 - ~~(4) to monitor and report on the performance of the *Transmission Network Service Provider* under any incentive scheme that applies to the~~~~

~~Transmission Network Service Provider under clauses 6A.6.5, 6A.6.5A, 6A.7.4, 6A.7.5 or 6A.7.6; and~~

~~(5) for the preparation of a *network service provider performance report*.~~

~~(e) The *AER* may request or undertake verification or independent audit of any information sought by it, or provided to it, under this rule 6A.17.~~

6A.17.2 Information Guidelines

Preparation, publication and amendment of Information Guidelines

~~(a) The *AER* must, in accordance with the *transmission consultation procedures*, make and *publish* guidelines (*information guidelines*) that comply with this clause 6A.17.2.~~

~~(b) [Deleted]~~

~~(c) The *AER* must *publish* the first *information guidelines* by 28 September 2007, and there must be *information guidelines* in force at all times after that date.~~

Contents of information guidelines

~~(d) The *information guidelines* must provide for the manner and form in which *Transmission Network Service Providers* must submit certified annual statements to the *AER*, including the date each year by which those statements must be submitted to the *AER*.~~

~~(e) The *information guidelines* may only require the inclusion in the certified annual statements of:~~

~~(1) such information as the *AER* reasonably requires for a purpose set out in clause 6A.17.1(d);~~

~~(2) information on the amount of each instance, during the relevant reporting period, of a reduction under clause 6A.26.1(e) in the prices payable by a *Transmission Customer* for *prescribed TUOS services* or *prescribed common transmission services* provided by the *Transmission Network Service Provider*;~~

~~(3) information on each instance, during the relevant reporting period, of a reduction in the prices payable by a *Transmission Customer* for *prescribed TUOS services* or *prescribed common transmission services* (or both) that were recovered under rule 6A.26 from other *Transmission Customers* for *prescribed TUOS services* or *prescribed common transmission services*; and~~

~~(4) information to substantiate any claim by the *Transmission Network Service Provider* that the information provided to the *AER* with respect to reductions in the prices payable by a *Transmission Customer* for the relevant *prescribed transmission services* under subparagraph (2) or (3) is confidential information.~~

~~(f) [Deleted].~~

~~(g) The *information guidelines* may specify the information that must be submitted with any application made under clause 6A.26.2(b), including:~~

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- ~~(1) details of the circumstances in which a discount amount has arisen and of the calculation of the proposed recovery amount; and~~
 - ~~(2) the information necessary to substantiate how the requirements of clause 6A.26.1(f) are satisfied.~~
 - ~~(h) The information guidelines may provide, for the purposes of rule 6A.27, rule 6A.28 and rule 6A.29, for:~~
 - ~~(1) the information that each Transmission Network Service Provider must supply to a Co-ordinating Network Service Provider and other Transmission Network Service Providers for the purposes of cost allocation under the provider's pricing methodology, including:~~
 - ~~(i) electrical parameters for each optimised element of the network and the network configuration;~~
 - ~~(ii) hourly load data for each exit point for the survey period;~~
 - ~~(iii) hourly generation data for each entry point for the survey period;~~
 - ~~(iv) voltage control arrangements and voltage profile; and~~
 - ~~(v) the ASRR for the categories of prescribed TUOS services and prescribed common transmission services.~~
 - ~~(2) the derivation of hourly load data from metering data by the aggregation of the energy meter reading figures in respect of each hour.~~
 - ~~(i) The information guidelines are binding on the AER and each Transmission Network Service Provider to which they apply.~~

Amendments to clause 6A.26.2

6A.26.2 Application to AER for approval of proposed prudent discount amounts

- (a) This clause applies where a *Transmission Network Service Provider* has agreed or proposes to agree, to reduced charges in accordance with clause 6A.26.1 and seeks to recover greater than 70 per cent of the discount amount through the charges referred to in clause 6A.26.1(d) to its other *Transmission Customers* (the **proposed recovery amount**).
- (b) A *Transmission Network Service Provider* may apply to the *AER* for approval to recover the proposed recovery amount.
- (c) ~~[Deleted]. A *Transmission Network Service Provider* seeking approval must submit to the *AER* a written application in accordance with any relevant requirements of the information guidelines in force under clause 6A.17.2.~~
- (d) If the *AER* determines that the requirements of clause 6A.26.1(f) are satisfied, the *AER* may approve the recovery of the proposed recovery amount, taking into account the matters referred to in paragraph (i).
- (e) If the *AER* determines that the requirements of clause 6A.26.1(f) are not satisfied, the *AER* may refuse the recovery of the proposed recovery amount, and must set out its reasons.
- (f) If the *AER* does not make a decision referred to in paragraph (d) or (e) within 60 *business days* from the date it receives the *Transmission Network Service Provider's* application and accompanying evidence under paragraph (c), then, on the expiry of that period, the *AER* is taken to have approved the recovery of the proposed recovery amount.
- (g) A *Transmission Network Service Provider* must provide the *AER* with such information as the *AER* requires for the purpose of making a determination under paragraphs (d) or (e) within the time specified by the *AER* in a notice provided to the provider by the *AER* for that purpose.

Consultation

- (h) Before making a determination under paragraph (d) or (e), the *AER* may consult with the relevant *Transmission Network Service Provider* and such other persons as the *AER* considers appropriate, on any matters arising out of an application to recover a proposed recovery amount as the *AER* considers appropriate.

Relevant factors

- (i) In making a determination under paragraph (d) or (e), the *AER* must take into account:
 - (1) the matters and proposals set out in the application referred to in paragraph (c);
 - (2) the requirements of clause 6A.26.1(f); and

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- (3) any other factors the *AER* considers relevant.
- (j) If the *AER* approves or is taken to approve recovery of the proposed recovery amount under paragraph (d) or (f), that approval is valid so long as the agreement between the *Transmission Network Service Provider* and the *Transmission Customer* remains in effect and its terms are not renegotiated, except where the *Transmission Network Service Provider* has provided information in its application that was materially false or misleading.
- (k) Where a *Transmission Network Service Provider* agrees to charge reduced charges in accordance with clause 6A.26.1, and no approval is granted under this clause 6A.26.2, the *AER* must review the discount amount in the course of making a subsequent *revenue determination* for that provider, and if the recovery of any part of the discount amount does not comply with clause 6A.26.1(f), the *AER* may adjust (with interest) the *total revenue cap* of the *Transmission Network Service Provider* for the following *regulatory control period* in respect of the total amount that has been earned by the *Transmission Network Service Provider* and does not satisfy the requirements under the *Rules*.

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Amendments to Chapter 10 Glossary

~~information guidelines~~

~~Guidelines made by the AER for the purpose of guiding a *Transmission Network Service Provider* in the submission of certified annual statements and other related information in accordance with clause 6A.17.2.~~

indicative changes

Amendments to clause 11.6.22

11.6.22 Interim arrangements pricing-related information

- (a) Clause 6.2.5(a1) as in force immediately before the commencement date continues to apply during the current regulatory control period.
- ~~(b) The *information guidelines* may, in addition to the matter referred to in clause 6A.17.2(e), require the inclusion in the certified annual statements of:
 - ~~(1) information on the amount of each instance, during the relevant reporting period, of any reduction in the prices payable by a *Transmission Customer* for *prescribed transmission services* provided by the *Transmission Network Service Provider*;~~
 - ~~(2) information on each instance, during the relevant reporting period, of a reduction in the prices payable by a *Transmission Customer* for *prescribed TUOS services* or *prescribed common transmission services* (or both) that were recovered from other *Transmission Customers* for *prescribed TUOS services* or *prescribed common transmission services*; and~~
 - ~~(3) information to substantiate any claim by the *Transmission Network Service Provider* that the information provided to the *AER* with respect to reductions in the prices payable by a *Transmission Customer* for the relevant *prescribed transmission services* under subparagraphs (2) or (3) is confidential information.~~~~

Amendments to clause 11.175.2

11.175.2 Amendments to guidelines

- (a) By 3 July 2025, the *AER* must review and, where it considers it necessary or desirable, amend and *publish* the following guidelines to take into account the Amending Rule:
 - (1) the *pricing methodology guidelines*;
 - (2) **[Deleted]**, ~~the *information guidelines*~~.
- (b) In amending the guidelines referred to in paragraph (a), the *AER* must comply with the *transmission consultation procedures*.

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