



National Electricity Amendment (Improving demand side participation information provided to AEMO by registered participants) Rule 2015 No. 4

under the National Electricity Law to the extent applied by:

- (a) the National Electricity (South Australia) Act 1996 of South Australia;
- (b) the Electricity (National Scheme) Act 1997 of the Australian Capital Territory;
- (c) the Electricity - National Scheme (Queensland) Act 1997 of Queensland;
- (d) the Electricity - National Scheme (Tasmania) Act 1999 of Tasmania;
- (e) the National Electricity (New South Wales) Act 1997 of New South Wales;
- (f) the National Electricity (Victoria) Act 2005 of Victoria; and
- (g) the Australian Energy Market Act 2004 of the Commonwealth.

The Australian Energy Market Commission makes the following Rule under the National Electricity Law.

John Pierce
Chairman
Australian Energy Market Commission

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1 Title of Rule

This Rule is the *National Electricity Amendment (Improving demand side participation information provided to AEMO by registered participants) Rule 2015 No.4.*

2 Commencement

This Rule commences operation on 26 March 2015.

3 Amendment of the National Electricity Rules

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

4 Savings and Transitional Amendments to the National Electricity Rules

The National Electricity Rules are amended as set out in Schedule 2.

Schedule 1 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] New Rule 3.7D Demand side participation information

After rule 3.7C, insert:

3.7D Demand side participation information

Definitions

(a) In this rule:

contracted demand side participation means, in relation to a *Registered Participant*, a contractual arrangement under which a person and the *Registered Participant* agree to the curtailment of *non-scheduled load* or the provision of unscheduled generation in certain specified circumstances.

demand side participation information means the information referred to in subparagraph (e)(1).

demand side participation information guidelines means the guidelines as made and amended by *AEMO* in accordance with paragraphs (e) to (i).

unscheduled generation means *generation* from a *generating system connected* to a *transmission system* or *distribution system* which is not a *scheduled generating system* or *semi-scheduled generating system*.

Registered Participants to provide demand side participation information to AEMO

(b) *Registered Participants* must provide demand side participation information to *AEMO* in accordance with the demand side participation information guidelines.

AEMO to take into account demand side participation information

(c) *AEMO* must take into account the demand side participation information it receives under this rule 3.7D when developing or using *load* forecasts for the purposes of the exercise of its functions under the *Rules*.

(d) *AEMO* must *publish* details, no less than annually, on the extent to which, in general terms, demand side participation information received under this rule 3.7D has informed *AEMO's* development or use of *load* forecasts for the purposes of the exercise of its functions under the *Rules*.

Demand side participation information guidelines

- (e) *AEMO* must develop, maintain and *publish* guidelines that specify:
- (1) the information *Registered Participants* must provide to *AEMO* in relation to:
 - (i) contracted demand side participation; and
 - (ii) to the extent not covered by subparagraph (1)(i), the curtailment of *non-scheduled load* or the provision of unscheduled generation in response to the demand for, or price of, electricity,

which may include, but is not limited to:
 - (iii) the circumstances under which *non-scheduled load* may be curtailed or unscheduled generation may be provided;
 - (iv) the location at which *non-scheduled load* may be curtailed or unscheduled generation may be provided;
 - (v) the quantity of *non-scheduled load* that may be curtailed or unscheduled generation that may be provided; and
 - (vi) historic or current information;
 - (2) when *Registered Participants* must provide and update demand side participation information;
 - (3) how demand side participation information is to be provided, including, for example:
 - (i) the format in which the information must be provided; and
 - (ii) any information *AEMO* requires to assess the accuracy of the information;
 - (4) *AEMO*'s methodology for assessing the accuracy of demand side participation information provided to it under this rule 3.7D; and
 - (5) the manner and form in which *AEMO* will *publish* details, in accordance with paragraph (d), on the extent to which demand side participation information has informed its *load* forecasts.
- (f) In developing and amending the demand side participation information guidelines, *AEMO* must:
- (1) have regard to the reasonable costs of efficient compliance by *Registered Participants* with the guidelines compared to the

likely benefits from the use of demand side participation information provided under this rule 3.7D in forecasting *load* for the purposes of the exercise of its functions under the *Rules*; and

- (2) subject to paragraph (g), consult with:
 - (i) *Registered Participants*; and
 - (ii) such other persons who, in *AEMO*'s reasonable opinion, have, or have identified themselves to *AEMO* as having, an interest in the demand side participation information guidelines,

in accordance with the *Rules consultation procedures*.

- (g) *AEMO* is not required to comply with the *Rules consultation procedures* when making minor or administrative amendments to the demand side participation information guidelines.
- (h) The demand side participation information guidelines must include a minimum period of 3 months between the date of *publication* and the date when the guidelines commence other than when the guidelines are amended under paragraph (g), in which case the guidelines may commence on the date of *publication*.
- (i) There must be demand side participation information guidelines in place at all times after the first demand side participation information guidelines are published by *AEMO* under these *Rules*.

Schedule 2 Savings and Transitional Amendments to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 4)

[1] Chapter 11 Savings and Transitional Rules

After rule 11.78, insert:

ZZG Improving demand side participation information provided to AEMO by registered participants

11.79 Rules consequential on making of the National Electricity Amendment (Improving demand side participation information provided to AEMO by registered participants) Rule 2015

11.79.1 AEMO to develop and publish the demand side participation information guidelines

- (a) The first demand side participation information guidelines (as defined in rule 3.7D) must be developed and *published* by *AEMO* by 26 September 2016.

[END OF RULE AS MADE]
