



## National Gas Bulletin Board Capacity Outlooks

### Stakeholder submissions invited on rule change request

The Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC) has commenced its public consultation on a rule change request that seeks to increase the level of short- and medium-term capacity outlook information that is publically available on the National Gas Bulletin Board.

#### Rule change request

In this rule change request, the proponent, the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO), is seeking an amendment to the National Gas Rules (NGR) in relation to the level of short- and medium-term capacity outlook information that is required to be published on the Bulletin Board by gas pipeline, production and storage facility operators.

#### Expedited rule making process

The AEMC will assess this rule change as a non-controversial rule under an expedited rule making process, subject to the receipt of any written objections from stakeholders by no later than 20 March 2014.

Although the Commission considers this rule change request to be non-controversial, it is also of the view that the rule change request raises issues of sufficient complexity to make it necessary for the standard period of time for the expedited process to be extended by two weeks.

Therefore, if no written objections to the expedited process are received, the AEMC will publish a final rule determination and final rule on 1 May 2014.

#### Submissions

To facilitate stakeholder submissions, the AEMC has published a consultation paper setting out some of the key issues relating to the rule change request. Copies of the consultation paper and the rule change request are available on the AEMC's website.

Submissions on the rule change request and consultation paper are due by no later than 3 April 2014.

#### Background

The National Gas Bulletin Board is a website, operated and maintained by the AEMO, which covers all major gas production fields, major demand centres, and natural gas pipeline systems. The objective of the Bulletin Board is to facilitate trade in gas and capacity over the relevant pipeline systems through providing system and market information to all interested parties, including the general public.

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