



Draft National Electricity Amendment (Generator three year notice of closure) Rule 2018 No. [X]

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;
- (g) the National Electricity (Northern Territory)(National Uniform Legislation) Act 2015; and
- (h) the Australian Energy Market Act 2004 of the Commonwealth.

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

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Australian Energy Market Commission

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1 Title of Rule

This Rule is the *Draft National Electricity Amendment (Generator three year notice of closure) Rule 2018 No. [X]*.

2 Commencement

Schedules 1, 2, 3 and 4 commence operation on [COMMENCEMENT_DATE].

3 Amendment of the National Electricity Rules

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

4 Amendment of the National Electricity Rules

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

5 Amendment of the National Electricity Rules

The National Electricity Rules are amended as set out in Schedule 3.

6 Amendment of the National Electricity Rules

The National Electricity Rules are amended as set out in Schedule 4.

Schedule 1 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] Clause 2.2.1 Registration as a Generator

In clause 2.2.1(e)(2), delete "and" at the end of the clause.

[2] Clause 2.2.1 Registration as a Generator

After clause 2.2.1(e)(2) insert:

(2A) if a *generating unit* is classified as a *scheduled generating unit* or a *semi-scheduled generating unit* in accordance with subparagraph (1), notify *AEMO* of the year in which the *Generator* expects the *generating unit* to cease supplying electricity to the *transmission network* or *distribution network* at its *connection point* (*expected closure year*); and

[3] Clause 2.10.1 Notification of intention

Omit clause 2.10.1(a) and substitute:

- (a) A person:
- (1) may notify *AEMO* in writing that it wishes to cease to be registered in any category of *Registered Participant* or that it wishes to terminate any of its classifications of *loads*, *generating units* (other than a *generating unit* specified in subparagraph (2)) or *network services*; and
 - (2) who is a *Scheduled Generator* or *Semi-Scheduled Generator*, must notify *AEMO* in writing if it wishes to terminate any of its classifications of *generating units*.

[4] Clause 2.10.1 Notification of intention

In clause 2.10.1(c), omit "2.10.1(a)" and substitute "2.10.1(a)(1)".

[5] Clause 2.10.1 Notification of intention

After clause 2.10.1(c) insert:

- (c1) In any notice given under paragraph (a)(2), the *Registered Participant*:
- (1) must specify a date (the *closure date*) upon which it wishes the classification of the *generating unit* to be terminated, and in the case of a *Market Generator*, when it will cease to supply electricity or trade directly in the *market* whether entirely or in relation to one or more *connection points*; and

- (2) may amend the *closure date* by written notice to *AEMO*, from time to time.

[the Commission will recommend this clause 2.10.1(c1) be classified as a civil penalty provision.]

- (c2) The *closure date* or any amended *closure date* must, in respect of a *Scheduled Generator* or *Semi-Scheduled Generator*, be a date no earlier than the date that is three years from the date of the notice given under paragraph (a)(2).

[the Commission will recommend this clause 2.10.1(c2) be classified as a civil penalty provision]

- (c3) Despite paragraph (c2), a *Scheduled Generator* or *Semi-Scheduled Generator* may specify a *closure date* or an amended *closure date* that is earlier than the date that is three years from the date of the notice given under paragraph (a)(2) if the relevant *Generator* wishes to terminate the classification of a *generating unit* or cease to supply electricity in the *market* in relation to one or more *connection points* because:

- (1) an event that is beyond the reasonable control of the relevant *Generator* has occurred; and
- (2) the occurrence of that event (or of an event of a similar kind) could not reasonably have been foreseen by the relevant *Generator*.

Schedule 2 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] Clause 3.7.1 Administration of PASA

Omit clause 3.7.1(c)(1)(ii) and substitute:

- (ii) intended *plant* availabilities having regard to, in respect of *scheduled generating units*:
 - (A) any *closure date* provided by the relevant *Scheduled Generator*; and
 - (B) the *expected closure year* of the *generating unit*;

[2] Clause 3.7.2 Medium term PASA

In clause 3.7.2(d)(1), delete "and" at the end of the clause.

[3] Clause 3.7.2 Medium term PASA

In clause 3.7.2(d)(2), omit "." at the end of the clause and substitute "; and".

[4] Clause 3.7.2 Medium term PASA

After clause 3.7.2(d)(2), insert:

- (3) in the case of *Scheduled Generators*, the *expected closure year* of that *scheduled generating unit* (if that year has changed since it was notified under clause 2.2.1(e)(2A) or last notified to *AEMO* under this subparagraph (3)).

[5] Rule 3.7B Unconstrained intermittent generation forecast

Omit clause 3.7B(b)(1) and substitute:

- (1) submit to *AEMO*, in accordance with the *timetable*:
 - (i) the *plant availability* for each *semi-scheduled generating unit* for the purpose of paragraph (a) as soon as the *Semi-Scheduled Generator* becomes aware that the *plant availability* of the unit is at least 6MW below or above the *nameplate rating* of the unit; and
 - (ii) the *expected closure year* of a *semi-scheduled generating unit* (if that year has changed since it was notified under clause 2.2.1(e)(2A) or last notified to *AEMO* under this subparagraph (ii)); and

[6] Rule 3.7B Unconstrained intermittent generation forecast

In clause 3.7B(b)(2), after “(1)” insert “(i)”.

[7] Rule 3.7B Unconstrained intermittent generation forecast

Omit clause 3.7B(c)(2) and substitute:

- (2) the *plant availability* of the *semi-scheduled generating unit* submitted by the *Semi-Scheduled Generator* under paragraph (b) having regard to:
 - (A) any *closure date* of the relevant *Semi-Scheduled Generator*; and
 - (B) the *expected closure year* of the *generating unit*;

[8] Rule 3.7C Energy Adequacy Assessment Projection

In clause 3.7C(k)(1), after “*EAAP*” insert “, including any scenarios that the *Reliability Panel* has identified for study for the purposes of preparing the *EAAP*”.

[9] Clause 3.13.2 Systems and procedures

In clause 3.13.2(l), after “available” insert “or to avoid providing *AEMO* with three years’ notice of the *closure date*”.

[10] Clause 3.13.3 Standing data

After clause 3.13.3(2), insert:

- (2A) a list of the *expected closure years* for all *scheduled generating units* and *semi-scheduled generating units* notified under clause 2.2.1(e)(2A), clause 3.7.2(d)(3) or clause 3.7B(b)(1)(B);

[11] Clause 3.13.3 Standing data

After clause 3.13.3(q)(3) insert:

- (3A) any *scheduled generating units* and *semi-scheduled generating units* that have an *expected closure year* in the subsequent 10 year period;
- (3B) any *generating units* for which *Generators* have provided a *closure date*;

Schedule 3 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] Clause 8.8.1 Purpose of Reliability Panel

After clause 8.8.1(a)(2d) insert:

- (2e) if the *Reliability Panel* considers it necessary or desirable, identify scenarios *AEMO* must study in preparing the *EAAP* for the purposes of clause 3.7C(k)(1).

[2] Clause 8.8.1 Purpose of Reliability Panel

In clause 8.8.3(c2), after “8.8.1(a)(2c),” insert “8.8.1(a)(2e),”.

Schedule 4 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] Chapter 10 New Definitions

In chapter 10, insert the following new definitions in alphabetical order:

expected closure year

Has the meaning given in clause 2.2.1(e)(2A).

closure date

Has the meaning given in clause 2.10.1(c1).