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Transparency of unserved energy calculation

Stakeholder submissions are invited on a rule change request

The Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC) has commenced consultation on a rule change request that identifies ways to improve the clarity and transparency of unserved energy ex post. Submissions are due on Thursday 22 October 2020.

The rule change request

Context

In August 2019 the Reliability Panel published a final report for the review of the definition of unserved energy. While the Panel concluded that the definition of unserved energy for the purposes of the reliability standard is largely fit for purpose, it noted that there are ways to improve the transparency and clarity of the calculation of unserved energy ex post.

The Reliability Panel submitted this rule change request as a recommended outcome of the review on 1 August 2019. The rule change proposes solutions to these issues that include changes clauses 3.9.3C and 3.9.3D of the National Electricity Rules (NER).

The scope of the Reliability Panel's review of the definition of unserved energy and the proposed rule changes request relate to the ex post calculation of unserved energy only, and not to the way unserved energy is forecast in the national electricity market (NEM).

Issues for consultation

The rule changes request raises three key issues for consultation that are explained further in the consultation paper, which include:

- the transparency of existing arrangements for calculating unserved energy and how they can be improved
- the clarity of the unserved energy framework that underpins the calculation
- definitional inconsistencies identified in the existing rules, and the best methods to address them.

Consultation process

Submissions are invited from stakeholders on the matters identified in the consultation paper, and any other relevant issue by **22 October 2020**. The AEMC proposes to expedite this rule change on the basis of the rule being non-controversial, and written requests objecting to use the expedited process need to be received by **8 October 2020**.

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