



Draft National Gas Amendment (ECGS Notice of closure for gas infrastructure) Rule 2025

The Australian Energy Market Commission makes the following Rule under the National Gas Law to the extent applied by:

- (a) the *National Gas (South Australia) Act 2008* of South Australia;
- (b) the *National Gas (ACT) Act 2008* of the Australian Capital Territory;
- (c) the *National Gas (New South Wales) Act 2008* of New South Wales;
- (d) the *National Gas (Queensland) Act 2008* of Queensland;
- (e) the *National Gas (Tasmania) Act 2008* of Tasmania;
- (f) the *National Gas (Victoria) Act 2008* of Victoria;
- (g) the *National Gas (Northern Territory) Act 2008* of the Northern Territory; and
- (h) the *Australian Energy Market Act 2004* of the Commonwealth.

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1 Title of Rule

This Rule is the *Draft National Gas Amendment (ECGS Notice of closure for gas infrastructure) Rule 2025*.

2 Commencement

This Rule commences operation on 18 September 2025.

3 Amendment to the National Gas Rules

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

Schedule 1 Amendment to the National Gas Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] Rule 135K Definitions

In rule 135K, insert the following definitions in alphabetical order:

BB blend processing facility has the meaning given in Part 18.

BB blended gas distribution system has the meaning given in Part 18.

BB compression facility has the meaning given in Part 18.

BB pipeline has the meaning given in Part 18.

BB production facility has the meaning given in Part 18.

BB reporting entity has the meaning given in Part 18.

BB storage facility has the meaning given in Part 18.

LNG import facility has the meaning given in Part 18.

reportable closure decision means a decision to permanently cease supply of covered gas services from a BB production facility, BB pipeline, BB storage facility, BB compression facility, BB blend processing facility, BB blended gas distribution system or LNG import facility.

[2] Rule 135KB Content of the gas statement of opportunities

In subrule 135KB(1A)(a), omit "and".

[3] Rule 135KB Content of the gas statement of opportunities

In subrule 135KB(1A)(b), omit "." and substitute "; and".

[4] Rule 135KB Content of the gas statement of opportunities

After subrule 135KB(1A)(b), insert:

- (c) information about any reportable closure decisions that have been notified to AEMO.

[5] New Rule 135KDA Publication of notice regarding reportable closure decision

After rule 135KD, insert new rule:

135KDA Publication of notice regarding reportable closure decision

If AEMO receives new information relating to a reportable closure decision under subrule 135KE(4B) then, in addition to any supplement to the gas statement of opportunities published in accordance with rule 135KD, AEMO must publish a notice on its website regarding the reportable closure decision as soon as practicable after receiving the new information including any reasons provided under subrule 135KE(4D).

[6] Rule 135KE Obligation to participate in a GSOO survey

After subrule 135KE(4), insert:

- (4A) A GSOO survey must require a GSOO reporting entity to provide information in relation to any reportable closure decision for any facility for which it is the BB reporting entity, including:
 - (a) details of the BB production facility, BB pipeline, BB storage facility, BB compression facility, BB blend processing facility, BB blended gas distribution system or LNG import facility for which the decision has been made to cease supply; and
 - (b) the intended date for cessation of supply.
- (4B) Where a GSOO reporting entity identifies new information relating to a reportable closure decision for a facility for which it is the BB reporting entity at any time after responding to a GSOO survey, including:
 - (a) a new reportable closure decision; or
 - (b) a change to the intended date for cessation of supply previously disclosed to AEMO,it must provide the new information to AEMO as soon as practicable.
- (4C) AEMO must be informed about a reportable closure decision under subrule (4A) or (4B) as soon as practicable after a decision is made to permanently cease supply at the relevant facility and, where practical, at least 36 months prior to the intended date for cessation of supply.
- (4D) If, under subrule (4C), the intended date for cessation of supply is within 36 months of the reportable closure decision, the relevant GSOO reporting entity must provide reasons in writing to AEMO for why it has not been practical to provide at least 36 months' notice.

[7] Rule 200 Definitions

In rule 200, insert the following definitions in alphabetical order:

BB reporting entity has the meaning given in Part 18.

reportable closure decision has the meaning given in Part 15D.

[8] Rule 323 Planning reviews

In subrule 323(4)(a)(ii), omit "and".

[9] Rule 323 Planning reviews

After subrule 323(4)(a)(iii), insert:

- (iv) any reportable closure decisions notified to AEMO; and

[10] Rule 323 Planning reviews

After subrule 323(5), insert:

- (6) If AEMO receives notice under subrule 324(5) of a material change to information in relation to a reportable closure decision:
 - (a) AEMO must publish a notice on its website as soon as practicable after receiving the new information including any reasons provided under subrule 324(5B); and
 - (b) AEMO must publish a supplement to the planning review, if it considers that the new or changed information materially alters the most recently published planning review.

[11] Rule 324 Participant disclosure obligations

In subrule 324(2)(d), at the end of the paragraph, omit "and".

[12] Rule 324 Participant disclosure obligations

In subrule 324(2)(e), omit "." and insert "; and".

[13] Rule 324 Participant disclosure obligations

After subrule 324(2)(e), insert:

- (f) any reportable closure decision for a facility for which the Registered participant is the BB reporting entity.

[14] Rule 324 Participant disclosure obligations

After subrule 324(5), insert:

- (5A) AEMO must be informed about a reportable closure decision under subrule (2)(f) or subrule (5) as soon as practicable after a decision is made to permanently cease supply at the relevant facility and, where practical, at least 36 months prior to the intended date for cessation of supply.

- (5B) If, under subrule (5A), the intended date for cessation of supply is within 36 months of the reportable closure decision, the relevant Registered participant must provide reasons in writing to AEMO for why it has not been practical to provide at least 36 months' notice.

[END OF RULE AS MADE]
