

Reporting on rebids made close to dispatch



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Draft determination introduces an additional reporting requirement for some rebids

- Additional regulation of rebids made close to dispatch to address their higher propensity to result in inefficient market outcomes
- A requirement to submit a detailed report to the AER would:
 - Provide the AER with additional information for rebids that would tend to be of greater concern
 - Require the generator to consider the trade-off between the necessity of the rebid and the requirement to provide a report
- Reports would be required for each rebid submitted during, or less than 15 minutes prior to the commencement of, the trading interval to which the rebid applies
- In practice, the reporting period will vary depending on the dispatch interval in which the rebid is submitted
 - This approach would avoid major changes in AEMO's systems

The effective reporting period would vary between 15 and 40 minutes



The draft determination does not to seek to prevent rebidding at any time

- Commission considered the option of restricting rebidding close to dispatch. Such an option:
 - would inhibit the ability of participants to submit late rebids that exploit the limited opportunity of others to respond; but
 - would also limit rebids close to dispatch which have the potential to result in more efficient market outcomes
- It has not been sufficiently demonstrated at present that the benefits of a restriction would outweigh the potential costs
- The draft rule therefore does not prevent rebidding at any time, provided the rebid is not false or misleading

More detailed reporting requirements will be specified in AER guidelines

- The AER's Rebidding and Technical Parameters Guideline would specify:
 - details of the specific content and format of the reports; and
 - the timeframe in which reports would need to be submitted
- The AER would be permitted to exempt a participant or class of participant from the obligation to submit reports. May be appropriate:
 - as part of the normal operation of fast start plant
 - where concerns are unlikely (eg clear technical issues)
 - to address artefacts of the rebidding process
- Appropriate that this level of detail be specified in a guideline, as opposed to the rules
 - Also adds flexibility through simpler change process

