



18 January 2013

Mr John Pierce
Chairman
Australian Energy Market Commission
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Via website: www.aemc.gov.au

Dear John

Re: Changes to Normal Voltage Rule Change Draft Determination (Ref: ERC0148)

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the draft rule relating to changes to the normal voltage level at a connection point. As the Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC) is aware, Grid Australia represents the owners of the major electricity transmission networks in the NEM. Consequently, Grid Australia members have an inherent interest in the draft rule.

Grid Australia wishes to thank the AEMC for its detailed consideration of the proposed rule change. As stated in our submission to the original rule change proposal, Grid Australia has no objection to the intended outcome of the proposed rule change.

Grid Australia endorses the AEMC's preferred draft rule (to require the Australian Energy Market Operator to notify registered participants of any proposed change to the normal voltage level at a connection point and then notify the outcome of such a request), as it is considered commensurate with the scale of the problem it seeks to address. Grid Australia also agrees that this process should improve the transparency of any registered participant's request for a change to normal voltage.

If you require further information, please contact Mr Paul Rayner on (03) 6274 3686 or myself on (02) 9284 3434.

Yours sincerely

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