



11 April 2014

Mr John Pierce
Australian Energy Market Commission
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Dear Mr Pierce,

Proposed National Electricity and Gas Amendment (Minor Changes) Rule 2014

Alinta Energy welcomes the opportunity to make a submission in response to the Australian Energy Market Commission's (AEMC) self-submitted rule: *National Electricity Amendment (Minor Changes) Rule 2014* and *National Gas Amendment (Minor Changes) Rule 2014*.

Alinta Energy understands the proposed rule changes seek to address minor grammatical and formatting issues as well as deleting expired provisions and inserting notes to assist readers in navigating certain rules and provisions. Alinta Energy appreciates the work of the AEMC in improving this area and is supportive of these objectives.

Expedited minor and non-controversial rule change

Alinta Energy understands that the content of this rule change is largely immaterial and non-controversial, and satisfies the requirements of section 91(2) and 87 of the NEL and section 295(2) and 290 of the NGL. As such, Alinta Energy supports the AEMC's decision to expedite the rule change process.

Alinta Energy shares the AEMC's view that the proposed changes will contribute to the achievement of the National Gas and National Electricity Objectives as set out respectively under section 23 and section 7 of the National Gas and Electricity laws.

Alinta Energy does not expect these minor rule changes to alter any market incentives or behaviour when participating in energy markets and is of the view the proposed changes will result in a benefit to the market.

Alinta Energy supports the proposed changes

As outlined above, Alinta Energy is supportive of the proposed changes to the national electricity and gas rules and welcomes the enhanced quality and additional clarity these changes will provide to the market.

Should you have any queries in relation to this submission, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Anders Sangkuhl on, telephone, (02) 9375 0962.

Yours sincerely,

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