

AEMC Reliability Panel

Revised guidelines for intervention by NEMMCO for reliability

If NEMMCO forecasts that there will be a reserve level shortfall that is unlikely to be removed through market responses, and determines that it will be necessary or desirable to enter into contracts for *reserve* in accordance with clause 3.12.1 of the *Rules*, *NEMMCO* must:

- (a) if the forecast period of reserve shortfall commences more than 2 months from the date *NEMMCO* forecasts the shortfall to occur, publicly call for competitive tenders for the provision of *reserve*;
- (b) when consulting with each relevant *participating jurisdiction*, seek the views of the *participating jurisdiction* on the value of contracting for *reserve* for that *participating jurisdiction*;
- (c) not enter into a contract for reserve unless:
 - (i) the tenderer has demonstrated, to *NEMMCO*'s satisfaction, that the *reserve* to be contracted for is not the subject of another contract or *market* arrangement that would, in effect, make it available without the contract for *reserve* and would not otherwise be provided without the contract for *reserve*; and
 - (ii) satisfied that the benefits of entering into the contract for reserve are likely to exceed the costs, on the basis of reasonable assumptions about key parameters, including expected demand, and applying any views from the participating jurisdictions provided under paragraph (b) on the value of contracting for reserve;
- (d) not enter into a contract for *reserve* more than 6 months before the date when *NEMMCO* forecasts the reserve shortfall to occur; and
- (e) within 1 month after entering into a contract for reserve, publish the name of the counterparty to the contract and the volume and timing of reserve procured under the contract.

Italicised terms in these guidelines have the meaning given to them in the *Rules*.