

Retail Energy Market Company

RULE CHANGE – REQUEST FOR SUBMISSIONS UNDER RULE 398 (2)

C03/13R – Amendments to FRC Hub Operational Terms and Conditions

Introduction

Under the delegation of the REMCo Board, on 24 April 2013, the REMCo Rule Change Committee (the “Committee”) approved the high impact Rule Change C03/13R.

REMCo is seeking submissions on this high impact Rule Change as required under Rule 398(2) of the Retail Market Rules (the “Rules”).

How to make a Submission on the Rule Change

As provided under Rule 398(2), each participant, pipeline operator, prescribed person and interested person may lodge an objection to the high impact Rule change within the objection period. A submission under this Rule must include reasons for the objection and specify whether the submitter considers the Rule change to be non-substantial, low impact or high impact; and include reasons for this classification.

Please note that if no objections are received from a participant, pipeline operator, shipper, swing service provider or other interested persons by the end of the objection period (specified below), under Rule 398(6), the Committee must recommend to REMCo to endorse or reject the high impact Rule Change.

If endorsed, under Rule 400(1), REMCo must notify and seek submissions from each participant, pipeline operator, prescribed person and interested person on the endorsed high impact Rule change within a 10 business day objection period. Under Rule 400(3), if no objections are received by the end of the objection period, the Committee must recommend to REMCo that it treat the Rule Change as low impact, and REMCo must submit the Rule Change to the Economic Regulation Authority for approval.

If you would like to make a submission, provide your submission, quoting the reference number **C03/13R**, to:

REMCo Rule Change
C/- AEMO
GPO Box 2008
Melbourne
VIC 3001
And/or to:
remco_adminstration@aemo.com.au

End of Objection Period:

Submissions must be received by REMCo no later than **5pm AEST, on 17 May 2013**.

Background Information

Summary of Rule Change

At the Committee meeting on 24 April 2013, REMCo tabled a Proposed Rule Change for discussion which was approved by the Committee as a high impact Rule Change (C03/13R).

In summary, the Rule Change proposes:

- Replacing all references to “FRC Hub Conditions” with “FRC Hub Operational Terms and Conditions” to be consistent with the correct title of the document;
- Amending Rule 14(2) to remove the FRC Hub Operational Terms and Conditions (“Hub T&Cs”) from the Rule change process under Chapter 9 of the Rules;
- Inserting a new Rule 14(4) that requires REMCo to publish new versions of the Specification Pack, as amended from time to time. This is consistent with a proposed amendment to the SA Procedures; and
- Developing a new version 6 of the Hub T&Cs that applies consistently across WA, SA, VIC and QLD.

The effective date for Rule Change C03/13R is targeted for 01/10/13.

How to Obtain More Information

The Impact and Implementation Report for this Rule change may be found on the REMCo website under the “Rule Change Committee” section as per this link:

http://www.remco.net.au/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=12&Itemid=25