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Dear Mr Sarawat

SUBMISSION FOR 2017 GAB CONSTITUTION AND APPOINTMENT GUIDELINES

The Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) welcomes the opportunity to provide this submission in respect of the proposed amendments to the Gas Advisory Board (GAB) Constitution and Appointment Guidelines.

AEMO welcomes the timeliness with which the Rule Change Panel has proposed updates to these documents. AEMO supports the changes to the documents and offers only minor suggestions for change in the attached table.

If you would like to discuss any matters raised in this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me on (08) 9254 4342 or via email at cameron.parrotte@aemo.com.au.

Yours sincerely



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Attachment – suggested updates to GAB Constitution and Appointment Guidelines

Clause	Suggested update
Various	Suggest removing historical references in both documents to appointment processes from 2013.
Various	AEMO notes that there is limited cross-referencing to the Gas Services Information Rules. For consistency, suggest either adding references to the document, or removing the lone cross-reference in clause 8.4 of the GAB Constitution.
<i>GAB Constitution</i>	
Clause 1.6	Suggest inserting the word “respective” before the phrase “functions under the GSI Rules”.
Clause 2.1	Suggest inserting the phrase “,through the RCP Secretariat,” after the phrase “convened by the Rule Change Panel”.
Clause 4.1	Suggest reinstating clause 3.1(a). This member is appointed by the Chairperson of the Rule Change Panel not the Rule Change Panel itself.
Clause 5.1(a)	Suggest inserting the phrase “,through the RCP Secretariat,” following the phrase “in which case the Rule Change Panel”.
Section 8 heading	Suggest updating to “Interaction between the Market Advisory Committee, and the Rule Change Panel and RCP Secretariat”
Clause 8.5	Suggest fixing formatting error of a line break between the phrases “appointed by the” and “Gas Advisory Board”.