

Market Advisory Committee: 2021 Annual Composition Review

Call for Nominations and Nomination Form

4 December 2020

1. Background

The Market Advisory Committee (**MAC**) has been established to advise the Rule Change Panel (**Panel**), the Australian Energy Market Operator (**AEMO**), and the Economic Regulation Authority (**ERA**) on the evolution of the Market Rules, Rule Change Proposals and Market Procedures. RCP Support is responsible for providing secretariat services to the Panel and to the MAC.

Under clause 2.3.9 of the Market Rules, the Panel must annually review the composition of the MAC and may remove and appoint members following the review.

Under clause 2.3.11 of the Market Rules, the Panel may also remove a member of the MAC at any time in the following circumstances:

- (a) the person becomes an undischarged bankrupt;
- (b) the person becomes of unsound mind or his or her estate is liable to be dealt with in any way under law relating to mental health; or
- (c) an event specified for this purpose in the constitution for the Market Advisory Committee occurs; or
- (d) in the Rule Change Panel's opinion the person no longer represents the person or class of persons that they were appointed to represent in accordance with clause 2.3.5.

The MAC Constitution and the MAC Appointment Guidelines are available on the <https://www.erawa.com.au/rule-change-panel/market-advisory-committee/market-advisory-committee-governance-documents>.

Under clause 2.3.5 of the Market Rules the MAC must comprise:

No. of Members	Representation
1	Chair (appointed by the chairperson of the Rule Change Panel)
1	Synergy
1	AEMO
1	System Management
1	Small-use Consumers (nominated by the Minister)
1 – 2	Network Operators (one of whom must represent Western Power)
3 – 4	Market Customers

No. of Members	Representation
3 – 4	Market Generators
1	Contestable Customer
2	Observers ¹

Members representing Market Generators, Market Customers, Network Operators (apart from Western Power) and Contestable Customers are discretionary class members. Discretionary class members are appointed by the Panel as per the MAC Appointment Guidelines.

Members that represent a single entity (System Management, AEMO, Synergy, and Western Power) are compulsory class members. Compulsory class members are appointed by the respective entity.

In accordance with the MAC Constitution, each member is appointed for a set period.

Positions can become vacant for the following reasons:

- resignation;
- removal by the Rule Change Panel under clause 2.3.11 of the Market Rules; and
- lapse of tenure.

Under clause 2.3.10 of the Market Rules, the Panel must consult with, and take nominations from Rule Participants and industry groups that it considers relevant to the Wholesale Electricity Market, and if practicable, must choose members from persons nominated.

The Panel has completed the annual review of the MAC composition and determined the positions that need to be filled. The Panel has determined that none of the circumstances outlined under clause 2.3.11 of the Market Rules apply to any of the MAC members.

2. Call for Nominations

Five discretionary MAC positions expire at the end of February 2021 and are up for re-appointment, as indicated in Table 1. In addition, there is one vacant Market Customer representative position that can be filled as part of the 2021 MAC Composition Review.

Table 1: Open MAC positions open for nomination

Class	Current Member
Market Generator	Wendy Ng
Market Generator	Jacinda Papps
Market Customer	Geoff Gaston
Market Customer	Patrick Peake
Market Customer	Vacant
Contestable Customer	Peter Huxtable

¹ The Minister and the ERA may each appoint a representative to attend MAC meetings as an observer. Observers have full speaking rights at meetings, but it is the MAC who advises on any decisions.

There is no limit to re-nominations to be on the MAC, so those MAC members whose positions have expired can re-apply.

Compulsory class members are not required to re-apply, but the Panel will request re-confirmation and an updated CV as part of the nomination process to ensure that there is a balanced representation of skills, experience and knowledge across the MAC.

3. Nominations

All nominations must be delivered to the Rule Change Panel by **5:00 PM on Friday 22 January 2021**.

Nominations should include a completed membership nomination form (attached to this notice or available in Microsoft Word at <https://www.erawa.com.au/rule-change-panel/market-advisory-committee/annual-market-advisory-committee-composition-reviews>).

The Rule Change Panel prefers to receive nominations by email but they may also be sent by post:

Email to: support@rcpwa.com.au
Post to: Rule Change Panel
Attn: Executive Officer
C/o Economic Regulation Authority
PO Box 8469
PERTH BC WA 6849

To allow nominations to be properly assessed, please ensure **all** the information requested in the nomination form is included.

4. Appointment Process Timeline

The appointment process for the vacant Market Customers' positions is:

1. **Friday 4 December 2020:** Nominations sought from industry groups and Rule Participants. The Panel's call for nominations is published on its website and an email notification sent to individuals/entities on the mailing list maintained by the Panel.
2. **Friday 22 January 2021:** Nominations close.
3. **Monday 25 January to 18 February 2021:** Panel assessment of nominations against the expected skills, knowledge and experience of the MAC (as a body), as outlined in the MAC Appointment Guidelines.
4. **By 19 February 2021:** All nominees advised in writing of the outcomes of the appointment process.
5. **March 2021:** All new and previous members will be invited to attend the 16 March 2021 MAC meeting.

5. Questions

If you have any questions through the process, please contact Adnan Hayat on either (08) 6557 7926 or support@rcpwa.com.au.

Market Advisory Committee: 2021 Membership Nomination Form

I would like to nominate the following person to be on the Market Advisory Committee (MAC):

Nominee Details

Name:

Current Employer:

Postal Address:

Contact Phone Number:

Email Address:

I have discussed this matter with the nominee and they have agreed to be nominated and are prepared to be involved in the work of the MAC.

Person making this nomination

Name:

Current Employer:

Contact Phone Number:

Email Address:

Nomination Details

Nominated Class: Market Customer Market Generator Contestable Customer

See clause 2.3.5 of the Market Rules:

Please provide brief details of nominee's background and relevant qualifications, including previous experience on advisory committees (limited to 5 sentences). Alternatively, a copy of the nominee's CV may be provided to the Rule Change Panel (**Panel**):

Contact details

Please provide contact details (phone and email) for at least one referee for the nominee. Note that the Panel may contact referees as part of its assessment process:

Name:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Qualitative Assessment

Responses to the following questions will allow the Panel to ensure that the MAC collectively possesses the required skills, knowledge and experience, as outlined in section 4.2 of the MAC Appointment Guidelines document. The Panel's assessment of all nominees will be against the following criteria:

1. Demonstrated knowledge and experience relating to energy sector issues (15%).
2. Demonstrated broad understanding of the technical, design and commercial aspects of the Wholesale Electricity Market (15%).

3. Demonstrated ability to actively contribute to the MAC (40%), including:
 - ability to work as a member of a small team;
 - ability to assess proposed rule and procedure changes against the Wholesale Market Objectives;
 - ability to understand the subject matter in proposals made to the MAC; and
 - ability to consider market design issues and options for the evolution of the Market Rules.
4. Demonstrated understanding of the Market Rules and other relevant legislation including the *Electricity Industry Act 2004*, *Electricity Industry (Wholesale Electricity Market) Regulations 2004*, Metering Code, Access Code and Technical Rules along with any relevant regulatory instruments (15%).
5. Demonstrated understanding of the powers and obligations of the Panel, ERA, AEMO and System Management and the frameworks in which they operate (15%).

Demonstrated knowledge and experience relating to energy sector issues

Please provide a brief outline of the nominee's knowledge and/or experience of energy sector issues including State, National and international issues (limited to 10 sentences):

Demonstrated broad understanding of the technical, design and commercial aspects of the Wholesale Electricity Market

Please provide a brief overview of the nominee's understanding of the technical, design and commercial aspects of the Wholesale Electricity Market (limited to 10 sentences):

Demonstrated ability to actively contribute to the MAC

List the nominee's previous experience on industry advisory committees (such as the MAC) including any Working Groups constituted under the auspices of the MAC and any State, Federal and International committees:

Please provide evidence of the nominee's ability to assess rule and procedure changes against the Wholesale Market Objectives and to consider market design issues and options for the evolution of the Market Rules (limited to 5 sentences):

Demonstrated understanding of the Market Rules and other relevant legislation

Please provide a brief outline of the nominee's understanding of the Market Rules and other relevant legislation (limited to 10 sentences):

Demonstrated understanding of the governance arrangements under which the Rule Change Panel, ERA, AEMO and System Management operate

Please provide a brief outline of the nominee's understanding of the powers and obligations of the Panel, ERA, AEMO and System Management and the frameworks in which they operate (limited to 10 sentences):