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Energy Offer Price Ceiling 2024

Second draft determination

The ERA has published a second draft determination for the <u>Energy Offer Price Ceiling</u> in the Wholesale Electricity Market's (WEM) Real-Time Market.

The ERA proposes an Energy Offer Price Ceiling of \$1100/MWh, based on the WEM Rules gazetted on 29 October 2024.

The ERA also suggests indexing this ceiling to include changes in price of diesel (monthly indexation), changes in consumer price index (quarterly indexation) and changes in loss factor (annual indexation).

On 8 April 2024, the ERA published its first draft determination, proposing a value of \$1500/MWh. This was substantially higher than the Energy Offer Price Ceiling of \$738/MWh that had carried over from the old market. The main factor contributing to the proposed increase the change in how the ERA was required to calculate heat rate.

Due to the high frequency of price cap events since the new WEM commenced on 1 October 2023, and the ERA's first draft determination, Energy Policy WA amended the WEM Rules on 22 May 2024 to postpone the deadline for the ERA's final determination from 1 June 2024 to 1 January 2025, allowing time for further investigation and analysis to take place.

Invitation for submissions

The ERA invites interested parties to make submissions on the draft determination.

Submissions close 4:00 pm (WST) Wednesday, 4 December 2024.

Submissions can be lodged online using the form on our <u>Current Consultation webpage</u>.

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