



RULE CHANGE NOTICE
EXTENSIONS TO PROCEDURE CHANGE PROCESS TIMELINES
(RC_2011_12)

This notice is given under clause 2.5.7 of the Market Rules.

Date Submitted: 24 October 2011

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THE PROPOSAL

The proposed amendments would allow the IMO to extend the Procedure Change Process timelines if required.

Appendix 1 contains the Rule Change Proposal and gives complete information about:

the proposed amendments to the Market Rules;

relevant references to clauses of the Market Rules and any proposed specific amendments to those clauses; and

the submitter's description of how the proposed amendments would allow the Market Rules to better address the Wholesale Market Objectives.

DECISION TO PROGRESS THE RULE CHANGE

The IMO has decided to progress the Rule Change Proposal on the basis that Rule Participants should be given an opportunity to provide submissions as part of the rule change process.

RULE CHANGE PROCESS

The IMO has decided to subject the Rule Change Proposal to the Fast Track Rule Change Process described in section 2.6 of the Market Rules, on the grounds that it satisfies the criteria in clauses 2.5.9(a) of the Market Rules.

Clause 2.5.9 states:

The IMO may subject a Rule Change Proposal to the Fast Track Rule Change Process if, in its opinion, the Rule Change Proposal:

(a) is of a minor or procedural nature; or

(b) is required to correct a manifest error; or







APPENDIX 1

Wholesale Electricity Market Rule Change Proposal Form

Change Proposal No: RC_2011_12
Received date: 24 October 2011

Change requested by: (08) 9254 4399

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Organisation:	IMO
Address:	Level 3, Governor Stirling Tower, 197 St Georges Terrace
Date submitted:	24 October 2011
Urgency:	Fast Track
Change Proposal title:	Extensions to Procedure Change Process Timelines
Market Rules affected:	New Clauses 2.10.17, 2.10.18, 2.10.19.

Introduction

Market Rule 2.5.1 of the Wholesale Electricity Market Rules provides that any person (including the IMO) may make a Rule Change Proposal by completing a Rule Change Proposal Form that must be submitted to the Independent Market Operator.

This Change Proposal can be posted, faxed or emailed to:

Independent Market Operator
Attn: Group Manager, Market Development
PO Box 7096
Cloisters Square, Perth, WA 6850
Fax: (08) 9254 4339
Email: market.development@imowa.com.au

The Independent Market Operator will assess the proposal and, within 5 Business Days of receiving this Rule Change Proposal form, will notify you whether the Rule Change Proposal will be further progressed.

In order for the proposal to be progressed, all fields below must be completed and the change proposal must explain how it will enable the Market Rules to better contribute to the achievement of the wholesale electricity market objectives. The objectives of the market are:

- (a) to promote the economically efficient, safe and reliable production and supply of electricity and electricity related services in the South West interconnected system;



This was the situation with the Procedure Change Proposal: Transitional arrangements for the Registration of Demand Side Programmes



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The IMO may subject a Rule Change Proposal to the Fast Track Rule Change Process if, in its opinion, the Rule Change Proposal:

- (a) is of a minor or procedural nature;*
- (b) is required to correct a manifest error; or*
- (c) is urgently required and is essential for the safe, effective and reliable operation of the market or the SWIS.*

The IMO submits that the Rule Change Proposal should be subject to the Fast Track Rule Change Process as it is of a procedural nature. The proposed amendments will amend the Procedure Change Process to allow for extensions of the timeframes specified in clauses

