

Agenda Item 5

Potential Fuel Issues in the Wholesale Electricity Market

Discussion Points

- Is there sufficient redundancy in the fuel supply chain for power generation and if not how could/should this be improved?
- Is the present assessment of fuel reliability used in the capacity certification process appropriate?
- Are current economic/commercial incentives sufficient to drive the provision of sufficient fuel for the purposes of the wholesale electricity market?
- Do we need a formal mechanism for fuel trading (i.e. fuel swaps) to facilitate the optimum application of limited fuel supplies during periods of limited supply?
- Are the WEM Rules flexible enough to allow efficient fuel trades/swaps?
- Are appropriate processes and procedures in place to secure sufficient liquid fuel in normal operations and the events of emergency?
- What is a “fuel emergency” and how/when does it translate in “electricity supply emergency”?