
Wholesale Electricity Market Rule Change Proposal Submission Form

RC_2010_11 Removal of Network Control Services expression of interest and tender process from the Market Rules

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Submission

1. Please provide your views on the proposal, including any objections or suggested revisions.

Western Power (Networks) supports the rule change proposal with the exception of the proposed commencement date.

Western Power is currently putting in place an alternative process for direct procurement of NCS and this process should be finalised within 2-3 months. However, the possibility of inadvertent delays or impediments remains and, in any event, the current process under the Market Rules should be retained until the new process has been established.

As previously stated at the MAC, Western Power recommends that the technical details of the rule change be finalised but the actual implementation date be placed on hold until the IMO has been advised by Western Power that its new NCS procurement process is in place.

2. Please provide an assessment whether the change will better facilitate the achievement of the Market Objectives.

Western Power agrees that the proposed rule change better facilitates the achievement of the Market Objectives.

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- 3. Please indicate if the proposed change will have any implications for your organisation (for example changes to your IT or business systems) and any costs involved in implementing these changes.**

The change from procurement under the Market Rules to procurement by Western Power has no material effect on costs.

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- 4. Please indicate the time required for your organisation to implement the change, should it be accepted as proposed.**

Refer above comments on implementation timing.