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2016/17 Report on the Australian Energy Market Operator's compliance

The Economic Regulation Authority (**ERA**) is responsible for the compliance functions in the Wholesale Electricity Market Rules and the Gas Services Information Rules.

As part of these responsibilities the ERA is required to provide an annual report to the Minister for Energy on the Australian Energy Market Operator's (**AEMO**) compliance.

It provided its 2016/17 report to the Minster on 18 December 2017.

The report includes the audit reports of AEMO's compliance with the rules, covering the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

It also includes details of investigations carried out by the ERA for the same period.

The audits confirm that AEMO was largely compliant with its electricity market and gas services obligations. All the matters investigated by the ERA were matters of technical compliance with no material consequences or risks.

The matters of most concern to the ERA in considering AEMO's compliance were information technology failures that could affect dispatch, and the adequacy of control room staffing during the summer season.

AEMO has implemented measures to reduce the risk of the information technology failures and the ERA is satisfied that AEMO is adequately managing the control room staffing risk.

The report and AEMO's response are available on our website.

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