Market Operator Consultation Impact Statement National Meter Identifier Allocation Procedure

Summary

The National Meter Identifier (NMI) Allocation Procedure has been prepared to specify the key principles to be adopted by the Network Operator for allocation of NMIs to metering installations in the Northern Territory (NT) electricity supply industry and the key principles to be adopted by the Market Operator for the registration of those NMIs.

Introduction

This NMI Consultation Procedure is published to support the smooth operation of the I-NTEM and the future NTEM by providing standardisation of the use of the NMI for recognising metering installations in the processes and systems of all Market Participants and System Participants ('stakeholders').

The procedure identifies the series of numbers that have been allocated by the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) for the NT, the breakdown of that series for each of the regional power systems, the structure of the NMI, the NMI check sum when manual population of a system is required and examples of NMI application.

Consultation Process

This procedure has been prepared by the Market Operator in accordance with clause A6.1(e) of the System Control Technical Code ('the Code') and consultation undertaken in accordance with clause A6.1(f) of that Code.

Consultation is to be held over 18 business days, commencing Tuesday 15 March and ending 2pm Monday 11 April 2016. Submissions from stakeholders and interested parties are invited. Stakeholders are requested to provide comments on the document under consultation.

It should be noted that the Market Operator will publish submissions in full. Should a stakeholder consider sections of their submission as confidential, a separate public version of the submission should be provided to the Market Operator for publication.

Impacts

Power and Water Corporation is required to allocate a unique NMI to each metering installation in all NT power systems.

Stakeholders are required to adopt the NMI as the unique reference to a metering installation for the purpose of operating in the NT and for all customer transfers between retailers in the NT.

Proposed Amendments

This is a new document.

Consultation Questions

Are the principles contained in the NMI Allocation Procedure suitable for use by the Network Operator and the Market Operator for the I-NTEM and the other regions in the NT?

NOTE:

This document is under consultation. Stakeholders, please send your submissions to: <u>market.operator@powerwater.com.au</u> Consultation closes 2pm Monday 11 April 2016.