

Market Operations Rule (NSW Electricity Business to Business Procedures) No. 6, 2004

1. NAME OF RULE

This Rule is the Market Operations Rule (NSW Electricity Business to Business Procedures) No. 6, 2004.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This Rule commences from date of gazettal.

3. POWER TO MAKE RULES

This Rule is made under section 63C of the *Act* and clauses 10 and 118 of the *Regulation*, which provide for the *Minister* to approve rules with respect to the establishment and operation of business to business procedures for the NSW electricity market.

4. APPLICATION

This Rule applies to all electricity *licence holders*, in respect of business to business *procedures* as defined in the *NSW Business to Business Procedures* document.

5. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES OF RULE

5.1 General Purpose

The purpose of this Rule is to ensure electricity *licence holders* have the ability to interface with other *licence holders* through the use of consistent business to business procedures including the supporting rules, formats, transactions and information technology and telecommunications architecture, agreed to by the members of the *Approved Scheme*.

5.2 Objective

The objective of this Rule is to establish specific requirements for the efficient operation of business to business procedures in the NSW electricity market by requiring an electricity *licence holder* to have the necessary business procedures, processes and *information technology and telecommunications systems* required to operate in accordance with requirements detailed in the *NSW Business to Business Procedures* document, and supporting business and technical specifications.

6. REQUIREMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN AN APPROVED SCHEME

- 6.1 The *licence holder* must participate in an *Approved Scheme* to develop, administer and implement appropriate business to business procedures to support the NSW electricity market.
- 6.2 The *licence holder* must comply with the provisions of the *Approved Scheme*.
- 6.3 The *licence holder* must provide to the *Minister* or the Minister's nominee information about the operation of the *Approved Scheme* as may be required from time to time by the *Minister* or the Minister's nominee.

7 AUTHORISED LICENCE HOLDER INTERFACES WITH BUSINESS TO BUSINESS SYSTEMS AND PROCEDURES OF AN APPROVED SCHEME

- 7.1 The *licence holder* must do all such things necessary to ensure it establishes, maintains and operates systems, processes and procedures that are compatible and compliant with the business to business *procedures* as reasonably prescribed from time to time by the rules of the *Approved Scheme*.
- 7.2 The *licence holder* must supply all necessary *data* to support and comply with the procedures of the *Approved Scheme*.
- 7.3 All *data* transferred from the *licence holder* systems in accordance with the requirements of the *Approved Scheme* must be in a format as prescribed by the *Approved Scheme*.

8. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

- 8.1 In this Rule:

“**Act**” means the *Electricity Supply Act 1995* (NSW).

“**Approved Scheme**” means a scheme, approved by the *Minister*, to develop, administer and implement, appropriate business to business *procedures*, transactions and rules to support the NSW electricity market.

“**data**” means the information required to facilitate the business to business *procedures* and the operation of the *Approved Scheme*.

“**information technology and telecommunications systems**” means the systems to support the transfer of business to business *data* between the systems and functional units of *licence holders* in accordance with the rules of the *Approved Scheme*.

“**licence holder**” means the holder of a Distribution Network Service Provider's licence or Retail Supplier's licence under the *Act*.

“**Minister**” means the NSW Minister for Energy and Utilities.

“NSW Business to Business Procedures” document means the latest agreed version of the document, which is managed by and voted on in accordance with the rules of the *Approved Scheme*.

“procedures” means the business to business procedures detailed in the latest agreed version of the *NSW Business to Business Procedures* document, including the supporting rules, formats, transactions, information technology and telecommunications architecture and requirements as described in the business and technical specifications of the document.

“Regulation” means the *Electricity Supply (General) Regulation 2001*.