

**FROM:** Wholesale Energy Market Dispute Resolution Adviser (WEMDRA)



Dates covered:

**January- March 2024**

WEMDRA contract 2021-2024

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1 Disputes and Scheduling errors

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### Section 1 - Matters Executive Summary

	July- September 2023	October to December 2023	January to March 2024
Matters notified	<p>Application for compensation for the Scheduling Error Notified by AEMO in June (<b>June Scheduling Error</b>).</p> <p>Discussion commenced to ascertain that all matters were agreed with AEMO to see if June Scheduling Error was eligible for a fast track process.</p>	<p>New Connection (solar) matter notified</p>	<p>No new matters notified.</p> <p>Confirmed June Scheduling Error will be a fast-track process and can go to a single DRP member. There is agreement that AEMO would finalise the submissions for the single DRP member. Expected to proceed to Stage 2 in the next quarter.</p>
Stage 1	<p>Nil</p>	<p>Connection (solar) matter progressed to stage 1</p>	<p>New party added to Connection (solar) matter; WEMDRA was engaged to facilitate a consensual process. As a result, the time frame for resolution of this matter in Stage 1 has been extended.</p>



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<b>Stage 2 disputes and DRP for scheduling errors</b>	Nil	Nil	Nil
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## Section 2 - Explanation of stages + Matters in Progress

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### 2.1 Explanation of stages

**Matters Notified:** Details of these matters are held Confidential between the WEMDRA and the parties. This can be a matter notified to WEMDRA for compensation, or triage and discussion before initiating another stage. Additionally, it can be a matter discussed for guidance, or exploration about a potential claim. The latter category appears on the list at the discretion of WEMDRA.

**Stage 1:** Stage 1 encourages the exploration and joint resolution of the disputes by direct commercial negotiation, or assistance through a facilitated, or non-binding expert process. In Stage 1, a DMS notice has been served by one party to another under Chapter 8 of the National Electricity Rules, or part 15C of the National Gas Rules.

**Stage 2:** Stage 2 is geared towards a binding decision by a panel of one or more experts. In Stage 2, a dispute has not been resolved in Stage 1 and is escalated to a dispute panel of between 1-3 people selected by WEMDRA in consultation with the parties or where the rules provide that the matter go directly to a DRP for determination or awarding of compensation. Stage 2 can also be an adviser led process.

### 2.2 Matters in progress

The scheduling error calculations for the June Scheduling Error Matter have been agreed. The WEMDRA is awaiting documentation from AEMO so that the process can be notified to the market and commenced.

An additional party was joined to the stage 1 process for the Connection Issues Matter and the matter is continuing to be managed in Stage 1.

## Section 3 Administration for the Quarter

WEMDRA has worked on the following:



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- WEMDRA together with the AER are working on a harmonisation of information on the WEMDRA and AER websites for a better user experience.
- There is a proposal for a revised method of logging issues with the WEMDRA given the increased variety of dispute processes in the Gas and Energy markets. We are hoping to pilot this.
- The AER and WEMDRA are in discussion about the sharing of documents between them where there is adjunct jurisdiction on any issue. This will be documented to provide transparency to participants.
- The WEMDRA role and responsibilities are being documented with a view to ensuring a comprehensive description of the role for the next period.
- The WEMDRA annual report to the AER.

Next quarter will focus on the implementation of the projects scoped above and hopefully also finalise the resolution of the two issues under management.

Please be in contact with questions and suggestions.

Kind Regards

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