

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



Dates covered:

**1 April - 30 June 2025**

**WEMDRA contract – Final report**

1 Disputes and Scheduling errors

## Section 1 - Matters Executive Summary

Period	Matters Notified	Stage 1	Stage 2 Disputes and DRP
October – December 2024	Nil		Gas matter r704 confirmed and request for WEMDRA to organise an extension
January – March 2025	Nil		No change in Gas matter r704
April – June 2025	1 (interconnect matter, out of scope for WEMDRA)		Referral to a DRP for gas matter

## Section 2 - Explanation of stages + Matters in Progress

### 2.1 Explanation of stages

**Matters Notified:** Details of these matters are 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



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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

- This matter relates to the same error as a previous gas matter under r704 which was withdrawn and finalised in Q3 2024. The provisions have been changed under the NGRs and this matter is being considered under transitional arrangements.
- A DRP comprising of Greg Thorpe (chair) and Tom Clarke (barrister) held a preliminary hearing to set directions in June. The WEMDRA is working with the parties to finalise the contractual arrangements and prepare for a hearing

## Section 3 - Administration for the Quarter

### Completed:

- Update of DMS and DMC contacts on the WEMDRA site
- Audit of all IP and IT resources for a change over

The AER has released a notice to the market on its appointment of Resolution Institute as WEMDRA from 1 July 2025 [[link to AER release](#)]. Resolve Advisors is assisting with transition, which will be finalised by 30 July 2025.

This is my final quarterly report. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to hold this position and I am grateful to have worked with so many fantastic people in the Industry.

Please reach out with any questions.

Best

  
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