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Australian Energy Regulator
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Notice under National Electricity Rule 4A.C.5 that the reliability gap is not forecast to occur

Terms used in this notice have the same meanings as defined in the National Electricity Law (NEL) and National Electricity Rules (NER).

On 24 October 2024, the Australian Energy Regulator (AER) triggered the Retailer Reliability Obligation (RRO) by making T-3 Reliability Instruments in accordance with section 14K of the NEL and Chapter 4A, Part C, Division 2 of the NER. The instruments apply to:

- New South Wales for selected trading periods for the forecast reliability gap period of 1 December 2027 to 29 February 2028 (inclusive); and
- Victoria for selected trading periods for the forecast reliability gap period of 1 December 2027 to 31 March 2028 (inclusive).

On 2 January 2025, the South Australia Minister for Energy and Mining triggered the RRO in South Australia for certain trading periods during the period from 10 January 2028 to 17 March 2028 (inclusive) by making a Ministerial T-3 reliability instrument for the South Australian region of the National Electricity Market under section 19B of the *National Electricity (South Australia) Act 1996* (now section 14JA of the NEL).

Pursuant to clause 4A.C.5 of the NER, AEMO notifies the AER that the reliability forecast in the *Electricity Statement of Opportunities* published on 25 August 2026 indicates that a forecast reliability gap is not forecast to occur:

- in New South Wales during the period from 1 December 2027 to 29 February 2028 (inclusive);
- in Victoria during the period from 1 December 2027 to 31 March 2028 (inclusive); and
- in South Australia during the period from 10 January 2028 to 17 March 2028 (inclusive).

In accordance with clause 4A.C.5 of the NER, this notice will be published on AEMO's website.

Yours sincerely,

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