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## Generator notice of closure exemption application

### Initiation notice

The Australian Energy Regulator (AER) has issued this notice to communicate that it has received an application for exemption from the generator notice of closure obligations under section 2.10.1 of the National Electricity Rules (NER).

#### Application details

On 13 October 2021, the AER received an application from AGL Macquarie Pty Limited (AGL) seeking exemption from the generator notice of closure obligations under section 2.10.1 of the NER. The application was for the following generating units:

Generating unit (region)	Registered capacity	Applied-for closure date	Current closure date	Current expected closure year
Hunter Valley Gas Turbines - HVGTS (NSW)	50 MW	1 January 2022	N/A	2035

In its application, AGL identified the following reasons why it is seeking exemption:

- HVGTS is an aged generator, and it is currently in an inoperable condition
- HVGTS previously was used to provide system restart services for the Bayswater power station but is no longer required for this purpose.

#### Indicative timeline

The AER will now commence consideration of AGL's application for exemption. In accordance with our exemption guideline, we will deliver our decision by December 2021. We do not intend to publish a draft decision at this time.

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