Attachment 1 Proposed changes to MSO Rules Clauses 2.6 & 2.7 for VENCorp's Revised Access Arrangement

Proposals are based on MSO Rules assuming current operational (v 16) with changes for FRC, as authorised by ACCC but not currently enacted, included. Changes are change marked¹.

2.6 MARKET FEES

- (a) *VENCorp* may charge, and *Participants* must pay, *market fees* in accordance with this clause 2.6.
- (b) Subject to clauses 2.6(d) to (h), *market fees*, which are charged for *tariffed VENCorp services* must be determined by the Board of Directors of *VENCorp*, and approved by the *Regulator*, in respect of each *financial year* in accordance with the *Tariff Order VENCorp's access arrangement*.
- (c) Unless otherwise approved by the *Regulator*, each *Participant* must pay to *VENCorp* market fees in accordance with this clause 2.6(c):
 - (1) each *Market Participant* must pay a registration fee tariff determined in accordance with the *Tariff Order with VENCorp's access arrangement* for every day or part of a day during which that *Market Participant* is registered under clause 2.1;
 - (2) each *Market Participant* who withdraws gas from the *transmission system* at a *system withdrawal point* or injects gas into the *transmission system* at a *system injection point* must pay a metering fee associated with a "transmission supply point" as defined in the *Tariff Order* and as determined in accordance with the *Tariff Order*.
 - (3) each Retailer or whose Customers are connected to a transmission delivery point at which there is a metering installation from which VENCorp is responsible for collecting metering data must pay, in respect of each such metering installation a metering fee associated with a "transmission supply pointmeter data management tariff" as defined in the Tariff Order and as determined in accordance with the Tariff Order VENCorp's access arrangement.
 - (4) each Retailer Market Participant who is connected to a distribution delivery point or whose Customers are connected to a distribution delivery point at which there is a metering installation from which VENCorp is responsible for collecting metering data must pay, in respect of each such metering installation a metering fee associated with a "distribution supply point" as defined in the Tariff Order and as determined in accordance with the Tariff Order;
 - (5) each *Distribution Customer* who is a *Market Participant* and who is connected to a *distribution delivery point* at which there is a *metering installation* from which *VENCorp* is responsible for collecting *metering data* must pay, in respect of that *metering installation*, a metering fee associated with a "distribution supply pointmeter data management tariff" as defined in the *Tariff Order* and as determined in accordance with the *Tariff Order VENCorp's access arrangement*;
 - (5a) with the exception of data provided to *VENCorp* for *settlement* in accordance with the *Retail Gas Market Rules*, where gas quantities are provided to *VENCorp* by an *Allocation Agent* or otherwise derived by *VENCorp* for the

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¹ A strikethrough indicates text that has been deleted and underscoring indicates text that has been inserted.

- purpose of *settlement*, the *Market Participant* for which the information is required shall be deemed to have a *metering installation* for the purpose of this clause 2.6.
- (6) each Retailer Market Participant who withdraws gas at a tariff V withdrawal point or who sells gas to Customers who withdraw gas at a tariff V withdrawal point in a financial year must pay a commodity charge determined in accordance with the Tariff Order for each GJ of gas withdrawn by those Customers at such tariff V withdrawal point and sold by that Retailer to those Customers during that financial year,
- (7) each Market Customer who withdraws gas at a tariff V withdrawal point must pay a "tariff V commodity charge tariff" determined in accordance with the Tariff Order for each GJ of gas withdrawn by that Market Customer at that tariff V withdrawal point during each financial year VENCorp's access arrangement;
- (8) each Retailer Market Participant who withdraws gas at a tariff D withdrawal point or who sells gas to Customers who withdraw gas at a tariff D withdrawal point in a financial year must pay a commodity charge determined in accordance with the Tariff Order for each GJ of gas withdrawn by those Customers at such tariff D withdrawal point and sold by that Retailer to those Customers during that financial year,
- (9) each Market Customer who withdraws gas at a tariff D withdrawal point must pay a "tariff D commodity chargetariff" determined in accordance with the Tariff Order for each GJ of gas withdrawn by that Market Customer at that tariff D withdrawal point during each financial year VENCorp's access arrangement, and
- (9a) For the purpose of applying "tariff D commodity tariffs" and "tariff V commodity tariffs", relevant *metering installations* must be assigned to tariff D or tariff V in accordance with the provisions of any *regulatory instrument* that may be applicable from time to time.
- (9b) Subject to (9c), where there is no *regulatory instrument* applicable then, for the purpose of applying "tariff D commodity tariffs" and "tariff V commodity tariffs";
 - (A) a relevant *metering installation* shall be assigned to tariff D where:
 - (i) 10 GJ or more of gas is withdrawn in any hour, or
 - (ii) 10,000 GJ or more of gas in total is withdrawn,
 - based on *metering data* available for the past 12 months, or where 12 months *metering data* is not available then based on a reasonable estimation for the next 12 month period, or
 - (B) If a metering installation is not assigned to tariff D then the metering installation must be assigned to tariff V.
- (9c) A Transmission Pipeline Owner or a Distributor, as the case may be, may notify VENCorp that an assignment of tariff D or tariff V is to be other than as prescribed above.
- (10) each *Market Participant* must pay a system security gas storage charge described as a "system security tariff" charge in the Tariff Order and determined in accordance with the Tariff Order, in respect of each GJ of gas withdrawn

from the *transmission system* by that *Market Participant* <u>VENCorp's access arrangement</u>.

- (ca) VENCorp may, in its absolute discretion, apply to the Regulator at any time for a variation to the reference tariffs prescribed in VENCorp's access arrangement.
- (d) VENCorp must , before-submitting itsan annual application statement to the Regulator for approval of Transmission Meter Data Management Tariffs, Distribution Meter Data Management Tariffs and System Security Tariffs for tariffed VENCorp services for the next financial year and must do so in accordance with clause 6.1(a)(2) of the Tariff Order, produce an initial report setting out VENCorp's access arrangement:
- (da) Before submitting its annual application to the *Regulator* under clause 2.6(d) for approval *VENCorp* must produce an initial report setting out:
 - (1) *VENCorp's* budgeted expenditures and budgeted revenues for that regulatorythe next financial year;
 - the amount of proposed-market fees in respect of each of the tariffed VENCorp services in respect of which market fees are proposed to be charged for the next financial year in respect of Transmission Meter Data Management Tariffs, Distribution Meter Data Management Tariffs and System Security Tariff tariffed VENCorp services;
 - the method used in determining the amount of proposed *market fees* in respect of each of *VENCorp's* activities referred to in clause 2.6(da)(2) including but not limited to *VENCorp's* estimated costs and expenses associated with those activities;
 - other fee structures and fee amounts which are appropriate for comparison purposes; and
 - (5) an assessment of the extent to which the proposed *market fees* comply with the principles set out in clause 8.1 of the *Access Code*.
- (e) VENCorp must provide a copy of the initial report to:
 - (1) the *Regulator* on completion of the report; and
 - (2) *Participants* and interested persons on request.
- (f) VENCorp must invite Participants and interested persons to make submissions in relation to the initial report and must consider any such submissions received up to ten business days after the initial report is made available to Participants and interested persons under clause 2.6(e)(2).
- (g) *VENCorp* must prepare a final report which summarises:
 - (1) submissions received under clause 2.6(f); and
 - (2) the process of consultation undertaken by *VENCorp* in relation to preparation of the final report.
- (h) *VENCorp* must provide a copy of the final report to the *Regulator* at the time of submitting its annual statement to the *Regulator* for approval in accordance with clause 6.1(a)(2) of the *Tariff Order VENCorp's access arrangement*.

2.7 Previous Financial Year Report

- (a) VENCorp must, by no later than two months after the end of each *financial year*, prepare a report setting out:
 - (1) VENCorp's budgeted and actual expenditures and budgeted and actual revenues in respect of each of the tariffed VENCorp services in respect of the previous financial year including, but not limited to:
 - (A) "system security";
 - (B) collection, storage and processing of *metering data* and billing and *settlement* of *market* transactions; and
 - (C) costs of operating the dispute resolution process under clause 7.2;
 - (2) an explanation of any significant variation between budgeted and actual expenditures and budgeted and actual revenues <u>in respect of the previous financial year</u>, and
 - contributions made to and payments made from the participant compensation fund; and
 - (4) VENCorp's budgeted expenditures in respect of tariffed VENCorp services over the term of VENCorp's corporate planning process with reference to the access arrangement forecast expenditure.

in respect of the previous financial year.

- (b) *VENCorp* must provide a copy of the report prepared under clause 2.7(a) to:
 - (1) the *Regulator* on completion; and
 - (2) *Participants* and interested persons on request.