

BM Start Up



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Background

- BM Start Up was introduced 4 years ago as a result of Project ARORA (replacing Warming and Hot Standby)
 - Key deliverable was to create an improved contract structure with firm payments to better facilitate all generation types unable to start up on the day with the BM.
- Key Changes:
 - Firm Warming and Energy Utilisation Fees
 - Improved reporting of Information (SONAR)



BMSU – What can we change?

- Anything within reason, as long as all parties agree, ie, the BM Start Up Agreement will remain generic.
 - Increase Transparency
 - Publish BMU name?
 - Publish Information on Advance Syncs?
 - Publish PN changes / NDZs / BOA changes?
 - Increase Frequency of Price Change
 - Publish all prices for yesterday?



BMSU – What can we change?

- Changes to NDZ Parameter
 - Time varying NDZs?
 - Variable Maximum Hot Standby Period to correlate with time varying NDZ?
- Remove Barriers to Entry
 - No lower threshold for Maximum Hot Standby Period?
 - Can NGET remove the deemed cancel once Maximum Hot Standby Period elapsed?

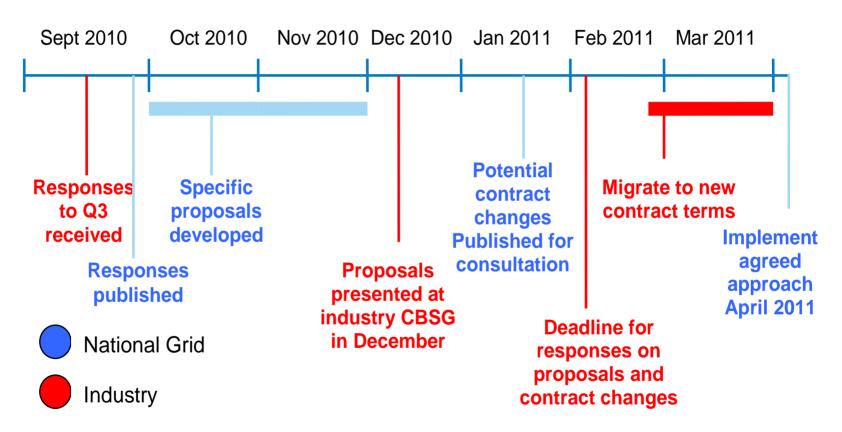
BMSU – General Contractual Changes



- Remove the deemed cancel once Maximum Hot Standby Period elapsed?
- Re-word the single Bid-Offer Pair requirement up to SEL (as does not matter whether 1,2 or more pairs delivers)?
- Draft terms to allow "un-winding" of BM Start Up instruction (BOA unwind and CHS)?
- Introduce a new mechanism for payment where a cease instruction from an Adv Sync is issued AFTER Hot Standby Target Time.



Project Timeline



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