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Notice of Wholesale Contract Regulatory Instrument Pricing Investigation

The Tasmanian Economic Regulator (Regulator) is responsible, for regulating some of Hydro Tasmania's wholesale contract activities. The Regulator carries out this function by making approvals that are contained within a Wholesale Contract Regulatory Instrument (Instrument).

The National Electricity Rules are scheduled to change to a five-minute settlement period for the electricity spot market on 1 October 2021.

Hydro Tasmania has identified a number of issues in the current approvals which need to be addressed to facilitate the commencement of five-minute settlement periods.

The Regulator is required by law to conduct a pricing investigation before revoking or making approvals. The objective of the investigation is to determine whether to revoke the existing approvals and whether to make new approvals that address the issues identified.

The issues raised and the Regulator's proposed response are set out in a [consultation paper](#) available on the Regulator's website.

The Regulator invites submissions from interested parties on the proposals set out in the consultation paper. Submissions must be in writing and must be made by close of business on 28 February 2021.

The Regulator's final report will be published by 30 March 2021.

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