

Implementation Milestones

Denotes consultation/information
MCE denotes MCE decision point

Projects	Qtr 4 / 2004	Qtr 1 / 2005	Qtr 2 / 2005	Qtr 3 / 2005	Qtr 4 / 2005	2006
1. Governance and Institutions [SA, NSW]						
<i>Electricity Legislation</i> - NEL - NE Rules - Application Acts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCE agree to release NEL exposure draft Consultation on NEL exposure draft and NE Rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NEL passed (SA Parliament) NE Rules gazetted Application Acts passed (Vic) MCE agree Statement of Policy Principles on Market Objectives 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement outcomes from national approach to energy access (if required) 		
<i>Gas Legislation</i> - Gas Access Law - Gas Code			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCE transfer gas responsibilities to AER/AEMC (SA Parliament) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement outcomes from PC review and national approach to energy access (as req.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCE agree to release GPAL exposure draft Consultation on the GPAL and Gas code 	
<i>Establish AEMC, AER</i> - Appointments - AER/AEMC Set up - NECA Windup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCE select Chairs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCE select Members AER and AEMC commence operation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NECA wound up 			
<i>Policy Framework</i> - MoU - industry levy - appeals & review processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MoU drafted SCO develop levy options paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCE endorses MOU MOU signed and implemented SCO develop levy discussion paper MCE agrees levy policy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCE agree appeals and review processes (with PC review of Gas Access Regime and national approach to energy access) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Levy policy implemented 		
2. Economic Regulation [Vic]						
<i>Energy Access</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCO develop options paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCO develop position paper MCE endorse policy framework 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCO develop draft national approach MCE agree national approach 			
<i>Distribution and Retail</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCO consultation on issues paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCO develop options paper MCE endorse options paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industry consultation on options paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCE endorse policy framework SCO develop national reg structure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCE agree national regulatory structure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responsibility transferred to AER

Projects	Q4/04	Q1/05	Q2/05	Q3/05	Q4/05	2006
3. Electricity Transmission [Qld]						
- <i>Transmission Planning</i> - <i>Regional Structure</i> - <i>Regulatory Regime</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO agree policy framework and forward work program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO develop Statement of Policy Principles • MCE agree Statement of Policy Principles 				
4. User Participation [NSW]						
<i>Consumer Advocacy</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation on current and future advocacy model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO develop draft options paper • MCE approve draft options paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO develop future advocacy model • MCE agree new model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement new arrangements 		
<i>Demand side response</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO assess barriers to DSR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO develop DSR Action Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCE agree DSR action plan 		
<i>Interval metering</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO develop draft principles for cost benefit analysis (cba) of interval meters • MCE agree cba principles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO examine low cost load control technologies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO provide Information Paper on low cost load control technologies to MCE 		
<i>Demonstration, Information, Capacity Building</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO examine NEM information and training needs (I&TN) • SCO develop Action Plan for I&TN 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCE agree I&TN Action Plan • SCO develop minimum disclosure standards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCE agree minimum disclosure standards 		
5. Gas Market Development [NT, Vic]						
<i>PC review of Gas Access Regime</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO develop draft response to final report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCE preliminary consideration of draft response 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCE agree response to PC review (including on appeals and review processes) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO develop proposed changes to Gas access legislation and Code 		
<i>Market Development</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCE agree gas market principles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO develop gas market plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCO finalise gas market plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCE agree gas market plan 		
<i>MCMPR Upstream Issues</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCE respond to MCMPR 					