



Proposed National Electricity Amendment (Minor Changes) Rule 2017

under the National Electricity Law to the extent applied by:

- (a) the National Electricity (South Australia) Act 1996 of South Australia;
- (b) the Electricity (National Scheme) Act 1997 of the Australian Capital Territory;
- (c) the Electricity - National Scheme (Queensland) Act 1997 of Queensland;
- (d) the Electricity - National Scheme (Tasmania) Act 1999 of Tasmania;
- (e) the National Electricity (New South Wales) Act 1997 of New South Wales;
- (f) the National Electricity (Victoria) Act 2005 of Victoria;
- (g) the National Electricity (Northern Territory)(National Uniform Legislation) Act 2015; and
- (h) the Australian Energy Market Act 2004 of the Commonwealth.

The Australian Energy Market Commission makes the following Rule under the National Electricity Law.

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Australian Energy Market Commission

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1 Title of Rule

This Rule is the *Proposed National Electricity Amendment (Minor Changes) Rule 2017*.

2 Commencement

This Rule commences operation on [xxx].

3 Amendment of the National Electricity Rules

The National Electricity Rules are amended as set out in Schedule 1.

4 Amendment of the National Electricity Rules

The National Electricity Rules are amended as set out in Schedule 2.

5 Amendment of the National Electricity Rules

The National Electricity Rules are amended as set out in Schedule 3.

Schedule 1 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] Clause 3.6.5 Settlements residue due to network losses and constraints

In clause 3.6.5(a)(4D), omit "regulated" and substitute "*regulated*".

[2] Clause 3.8.19 Dispatch inflexibilities

In clauses 3.8.19(e)(1) and (4) omit "loading" and substitute "*loading level*" wherever so appearing.

[3] Clause 3.8.20 Pre-dispatch schedule

In clause 3.8.20 (j)(2), omit "loading" and substitute "*loading level*".

[4] Clause 3.11.5 Tender process for network support and control ancillary services

In clause 3.11.5(k), omit "paragraph (i)" and substitute "paragraph (j)".

[5] Clause 3.13.5 Ancillary services contracting by AEMO

Omit clause 3.13.5(c) and substitute:

- (c) Information *published* under paragraph (b) must include a breakdown of the actual costs and quantities relating to each *facility* contracted under *ancillary services agreements*.

[6] Clause 3.16.2 Dispute resolution panel to determine compensation

In clause 3.16.2(h)(1) and (2) omit "loading level" and substitute "*loading level*" wherever so appearing.

[7] Clause 5.1.3 Principles

In clause 5.1.3(d), omit "facility" and substitute "*facility*".

[8] Clause 5.2.1 Obligations of Registered Participants

In clause 5.2.1(a)(2), omit "Rules" and substitute "*Rules*".

[9] Clause 5.3.6 Offer to Connect

In clause 5.3.6(a)(2), omit "5.3A.9(b)(2)" and substitute "5.3A.9(b)".

[10] Clause 5.3A.1 Application of rule 5.3A

In clause 5.3A.1(c)(2), omit "*enquiry*" and substitute "enquiry".

[11] Rule 5.5 Access arrangements relating to Distribution Networks

In rule 5.5(g), omit "negotiated *use of system* charges" and substitute "*negotiated use of system charges*".

[12] Rule 5.5 Access arrangements relating to Distribution Networks

In rule 5.5(h), omit "(*avoided charges for the locational component of prescribed TUOS services*)".

[13] Clause 5.7.7 Inter-network power system tests

In clause 5.7.7(t), omit "*inter-regional test*" and substitute "*inter-regional test*".

[14] Clause 5.9.4 Direction to disconnect

In clause 5.9.4(c), omit "this clause 5.9.4" and substitute "clause 5.9.3".

[15] Clause 5.10.2 Definitions

In clause 5.10.2 omit "In this Part B and schedules 5.8 and 5.9" and substitute "In this Part B and schedules 5.8, 5.9 and 5.4A".

[16] Clause 5.10.2 Definitions

In the definition of "**sub-transmission**" omit "power system" and substitute "*power system*".

[17] Clause 5.12.2 Transmission Annual Planning Report

In clause 5.12.2(a), omit "an" and substitute "a".

[18] Clause 5.15.3 Review of costs thresholds

After clause 5.15.3(a), insert the following note:

Note

The cost thresholds are regularly reviewed by the *AER* under paragraph (b). The current thresholds are specified in the latest cost threshold determination available on the *AER*'s website www.aer.gov.au.

[19] Clause 5.15.3 Review of costs thresholds

After clause 5.15.3(d), insert the following note:

Note

The cost thresholds are regularly reviewed by the AER under paragraph (b). The current thresholds are specified in the latest cost threshold determination available on the AER's website www.aer.gov.au.

[20] Clause 5.20.3 Development strategies for national transmission flow paths

In clause 5.20.3(c)(2), omit “non-*network* options” and substitute “*non-network option*”.

[21] Clause S5.1a.8 Fault clearance times

In Schedule S5.1a.8(b), (c) and (d) omit “nominal” and substitute “*nominal*” wherever so appearing.

[22] Clause S5.1.2.2 Network service within a region

In Schedule S5.1.2.2, omit “carried out on each *network* element” and substitute “carried out on each *network element*”.

[23] Clause S5.1.2.3 Network service between regions

In Schedule S5.1.2.3, omit “within *transmission networks* within a region” and substitute “within *transmission networks* within a *region*”.

[24] Clause S5.1.4 Magnitude of power frequency voltage

In Schedule S5.1.4(c), omit “normal voltage” and substitute “*normal voltage*”.

[25] Clause S5.1.4 Magnitude of power frequency voltage

In Schedule S5.1.4, omit “endeavors” and substitute “endeavours”.

[26] Clause S5.1.4 Magnitude of power frequency voltage

In Schedule S5.1.4, omit “(and how these target ranges may be required to vary with *loading*).” and substitute “(and how these target ranges may be required to vary with *loading level*).”

[27] Clause S5.1.9 Protection systems and fault clearance times

In Schedule S5.1.9, omit “nominal *voltage*” and substitute “*nominal voltage*” wherever so appearing.

[28] Clause S5.1.9 Protection systems and fault clearance times

In Schedule S5.1.9(b), omit “access standards” and substitute “*access standards*”.

[29] Clause S5.3.5 Power factor requirements

In Schedule S5.3.5, omit “critical *loading* period” and substitute “critical loading period”.

[30] Schedule S5.3a.14 Protection of market network services from power system disturbances

In Schedule S5.3a.14(c)(2), omit “current rating” and substitute “*current rating*”.

[31] Schedule 5.4A Preliminary Response

In schedule 5.4A, insert the following note below the heading:

Note

The local definitions in clause 5.10.2 apply to this schedule.

[32] Schedule 5.5.3 Network and plant technical data of equipment at or near connection point

In Schedule S5.5.3, omit “Nominal *voltage*” and substitute “*Nominal voltage*”.

[33] Clause 5A.A.1 Definitions

In the definition of “**basic connection service**” omit “*micro-embedded generator*” and substitute “*micro embedded generator*”.

[34] Clause 5A.A.1 Definitions

In the definition of “**micro EG connection**” omit “Australian Standard” and substitute “*Australian Standard*”.

[35] Clause 5A.A.2 Application of this Chapter

In clause 5A.A.2(b), (c), (d) and (e), omit “non-registered embedded generator” and substitute “*non-registered embedded generator*”.

[36] Clause 5A.B.1 Basic connection services

In clause 5A.B.1, omit “non-registered *embedded generator*” and substitute “*non-registered embedded generator*”.

[37] Clause 5A.D.1 Publication of information

In clauses 5A.D.1(a)(7), omit “non-registered embedded generator” and substitute “*non-registered embedded generator*”.

[38] Clause 5A.E Connection charges

In clauses 5A.E.1(b) and 5A.E.3(c)(4), omit “non-registered *embedded generator*” and substitute “*non-registered embedded generator*”.

[39] Clause 5A.A.3 Small Generation Aggregator deemed to be agent of a retail customer

In clause 5A.A.3, omit "retail customer" and substitute "*retail customer*" wherever occurring.

[40] Clause 5A.A.3 Small Generation Aggregator deemed to be agent of a retail customer

In clause 5A.A.3, omit "retail customer's" and substitute "*retail customer's*".

[41] Clause 5A.B.1 Obligation to have model standing offer to provide basic connection services

In clause 5A.B.1(b)(2), omit "micro-embedded *generators*" and substitute "*micro embedded generators*".

[42] Clause 5A.B.3 Approval of terms and conditions of model standing offer to provide basic connection services

In clause 5A.B.3(a)(1)(ii), omit "micro-embedded *generators*" and substitute "*micro embedded generators*".

[43] Clause 5A.B.3 Approval of terms and conditions of model standing offer to provide basic connection services

In clause 5A.B.3(a)(2), omit "*distribution determination*" and substitute "distribution determination".

[44] Clause 5A.B.5 Approval of model standing offer to provide standard connection services

In clause 5A.B.5(a)(2), omit "*distribution determination*" and substitute "distribution determination".

[45] Clause 5A.B.6 Amendment etc of model standing offer

In clause 5A.B.6(g), omit "*distribution determination*" and substitute "distribution determination" wherever occurring.

[46] Clause 5A.E.4 Payment of connection charges

In clause 5A.E.4(a)(1), omit "the *customer*" and substitute "the *retail customer*".

[47] Clause 5A.G.1 Relevant disputes

In clause 5A.G.1(a)(1) and (2), omit "*customer*" and substitute "customer".

[48] Clause 5A.G.2 Determination of dispute

In clause 5A.G.2(b)(2), omit "*customer*" and substitute "customer".

[49] Schedule 5A.1 Minimum content requirements for connection contract

In schedule 5A.1 - Part A(a)(10), omit "the *customer*" and substitute "*retail customer*".

[50] Schedule 5A.1 Minimum content requirements for connection contract

In schedule 5A.1 - Part A(b)(6), omit "the *customer*" and substitute "the *retail customer*".

[51] Clause 6.1.2 Structure of this Chapter

In clause 6.1.2(b)(13), omit "transmission and distribution" and substitute "*transmission and distribution*".

[52] Clause 6.5.7 Forecast capital expenditure

In clause 6.5.7(e)(10), omit "and" where last occurring.

[53] Clause 6.5.7 Forecast capital expenditure

In clause 6.5.7(e)(11), omit ":" and substitute "; and".

[54] Clause 6.6.1 Cost pass through

In clause 6.6.1(c)(6)(iii)(B), omit "*rules*" and substitute "rules".

[55] Clause 6.6.1 Cost pass through

In clause 6.6.1(k6), omit heading 'retailer insolvency event' and substitute 'Retailer insolvency event'.

[56] Clause 6.6.3 Demand management and embedded generation connection incentive scheme

In clause 6.6.3(b), omit "demand management and embedded generation connection incentive scheme" and substitute "*demand management and embedded generation connection incentive scheme*".

[57] Clause 6.6.3 Demand management and embedded generation connection incentive scheme

In clause 6.6.3(b)(2), omit "non-network" and substitute "*non-network*".

[58] Clause 6.6.4 Small-scale incentive scheme

In clause 6.6.4(d)(1), omit "*regulatory period*" and substitute "*regulatory control period*".

[59] Clause 6.7.1 Principles relating to access to negotiated distribution services

In clause 6.7.1(8), omit "any access charges:" and substitute "any *access charges*:"

[60] Clause 6.7.2 Determination of terms and conditions of access for negotiated distribution services

In clauses 6.7.2(b)(3) and (4), omit "*use of system services charges*" and substitute "*use of system services charges*".

[61] Clause 6.7.5 Preparation of and requirements for negotiating framework for negotiated distribution services

In clause 6.7.5(d), omit "negotiating framework" and substitute "*negotiating framework*".

[62] Clause 6.18.3 Tariff classes

In clause 6.18.3(b), omit "customer" and substitute "*retail customer*".

[63] Clause 6.18.3 Tariff classes

In clause 6.18.3(c), omit "but a customer" and substitute "but a *retail customer*".

[64] Clause 6.18.7A Recovery of jurisdictional scheme amounts

In clause 6.18.7A(d)(2), omit "clause".

[65] Rule 6.21 Distribution Network Service Provider Prudential Requirements

In rule 6.21, omit "*network assets*" and substitute "*network assets*".

[66] Clause 6.21.3 Treatment of past prepayments and capital contributions

In clause 6.21.3(b), omit "clause".

[67] Rule 6.23 Separate disclosure of transmission and distribution charges

In rule 6.23(b), omit "*TUOS/DUOS disclosure request*" and substitute "TUOS/DUOS disclosure request".

[68] Rule 6.23 Separate disclosure of transmission and distribution charges

In rule 6.23(b), (c) and (d), omit "*TUOS/DUOS disclosure statement*" wherever occurring and substitute "TUOS/DUOS disclosure statement".

[69] Schedule S6A.1.2 Information and matters relating to operating expenditure

In Schedule S6A.1.2 (9), omit "non-network alternatives" and substitute "*non-network options*".

[70] Clause s7.5.2 Metering register information

In clause S7.5.2(a)(6), omit "*Non-Registered Second-Tier Customer metering data*" and substitute "*Non-Registered Customer*" (who is eligible to be registered as a *Second-Tier Customer metering data*).

[71] Clause 7.11.2 Metering Data Services

In clause 7.11.2(a) omit the note at the end of the paragraph.

[72] Clause 8.6.1 Confidentiality

In clause 8.6.1(e), omit "clause 6.9.2" and substitute "6.9.2A".

[73] Clause 8.7.1 Monitoring

In clause 8.7.1(c), omit "The AER" and substitute "The *AER*".

[74] Clause 8.7.4 Preparation of network service provider performance report (Section 28V of the NEL)

In clause 8.7.4(a)(2), omit "*network service users*" and substitute "network service users".

[75] Clause 8.7.4 Preparation of network service provider performance report (Section 28V of the NEL)

In clause 8.7.4(c)(1), omit "30 business days" and substitute "30 *business days*".

[76] Clause 8.8.3 Reliability Panel review process

In clause 8.8.3(aa), omit "The system restart standard must" and substitute "The *system restart standard* must".

[77] Rule 8.9 Rules Consultation Procedures

In rule 8.9(b), omit "*interested parties*" and substitute "interested parties".

[78] Rule 8.10 Consumer advocacy funding obligation

In rule 8.10(b), omit "*participant fees*" and substitute "*Participant fees*".

[79] Clause S8.11.1 Risk allocation

In clause S8.11.1(g), omit "*electricity network services*" and substitute "electricity network services".

[80] Clause S8.11.1 Risk allocation

In clause S8.11.1(i), omit "*electricity network services*" and substitute "electricity network services".

[81] Clause S8.11.1 Risk allocation

In clause S8.11.1(i), omit "*incumbent*" and substitute "incumbent".

Schedule 2 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 4)

[1] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*billed but unpaid charges*" omit "means, in respect of " and substitute "For".

[2] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*commercial arbitrator*", omit "section 58" and substitute "section 2".

[3] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*communications interface*", omit "*remote acquisition of metering data*" and substitute "*remote acquisition of metering data*".

[4] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*connection charge guidelines*" omit "clause 5A.D.3" and substitute "clause 5A.E.3".

[5] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*connection charge*", omit "(in the context of Chapter 5A)".

[6] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*connection policy*", omit "(in the context of Chapter 5A)".

[7] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the note to the definition of "*connection service*", omit "In the context of Chapter 5A," and substitute "In the context of Chapter 5A and Part DA of Chapter 6,".

[8] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*Disclosee*" omit "or AEMO".

[9] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*dispute management system* (or "*DMS*")" omit "(or *DMS*)".

[10] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of “*dispute resolution panel* (or “*DRP*”)” omit “(or “*DRP*”)”.

[11] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the note to the definition of “*Embedded Generator*”, omit “has been displaced by a definition specifically applicable” and substitute, “has been displaced by the definition “embedded generator” specifically applicable”.

[12] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of “*energy laws*” omit “NERL” and substitute “*NERL*”.

[13] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of “*excitation control system*” omit “power system” and substitute “*power system*”.

[14] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of “*jurisdictional scheme amounts*” omit “Rules” and substitute “*Rules*”.

[15] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of “*negotiated distribution service*” omit “*negotiated network service*” and substitute “negotiated network service”.

[16] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of “*nominal voltage*” omit “transformers” and substitute “*transformers*”.

[17] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of “*real estate developer*” omit “(in the context of Chapter 5A)”.

[18] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of “*system-wide benefits*” omit “*transmission connection point*” and substitute “*transmission network connection point*”.

[19] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of “*tax change event*” omit “are materially increased” and substitute “are *materially* increased”.

[20] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*terms and conditions of access*" omit "(access to transmission services)" and substitute "(access to *transmission services*)".

[21] Chapter 10 Amended Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*trading interval*" omit "EST" and substitute "EST".

[22] Chapter 10 Substituted Definitions

In Chapter 10, omit the definition of "*Distribution Reliability Measures*" and substitute:

Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines

Guidelines made by the AER under clause 6.28.

[23] Chapter 10 Substituted Definitions

In Chapter 10, omit the definition of "demand management incentive and embedded generation connection scheme " and substitute:

demand management and embedded generation connection incentive scheme

A scheme for certain *Distribution Network Service Providers* developed and *published* by the AER under clause 6.6.3.

[24] Chapter 10 Substituted Definitions

In Chapter 10, in the definition of "*NMI Standing Data*" omit clause (d) and substitute:

- (d) the code (known as a Transmission Node Identity (TNI)) identifying the relevant transmission node which identifies the *transmission loss factor* and/or *transmission use of system charge* for the *connection point*;

[25] Chapter 10 Omitted Definitions

In Chapter 10, omit the definition of "*complainant*".

[26] Chapter 10 New Definition

In chapter 10, add the following definition in alphabetical order:

non-registered embedded generator

In the context of clause 6.7A, has the meaning given in chapter 5A.

[27] Chapter 10 New Definition

In chapter 10, add the following definition in alphabetical order:

Network agreement

has the meaning given in the National Electricity Law.

Schedule 3 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 4)

[1] Clause 11.46.1 Definitions

In Clause 11.46.1, omit the definition “transition date” and substitute:

transition date means for each established distributor the date on which the transition period for that established distributor ends.

[2] Clause 11.55.2 Transitional Chapter 6

In clause 11.55.2(h), omit “and” where last occurring.

[3] Clause 11.55.2 Transitional Chapter 6

In clause 11.55.2(i), omit “.” and substitute “; and”.

[4] Clause 11.55.2 Transitional Chapter 6

In clause 11.55.2, renumber the last paragraph as paragraph (j).

[5] Clause 11.95.2 System initiation template

In the heading for clause 11.95.2, omit “initiation” and substitute “limitation”.
