



## **Draft National Electricity Amendment (Minor changes 1) Rule 2021**

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 of the Northern Territory; 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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Chairperson  
Australian Energy Market Commission

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### **1 Title of Rule**

This Rule is the *Draft National Electricity Amendment (Minor changes 1) Rule 2021*.

### **2 Commencement**

This Rule commences operation on [22 April 2021].

### **3 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules**

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

## **Schedule 1      Amendment to the National Electricity Rules**

(Clause 3)

### **[1] Clause 2A.1.1      Definitions**

In clause 2A.1.1, in the definition "**applicant**", insert "." at the end of the sentence.

### **[2] Clause 3.11.9      Acquisition of system restart ancillary services by AEMO**

In clause 3.11.9(d), insert "." at the end of the sentence.

### **[3] Clause 4A.A.1      Definitions**

In clause 4A.A.1, in the definition of "**Reliability Compliance Procedures and Guidelines**", omit "*National Electricity Law*" and substitute "*NEL*".

### **[4] Clause 4A.A.2      Forecast reliability gap materiality**

In clause 4A.A.2, omit "*National Electricity Law*" and substitute "*NEL*".

### **[5] Clause 4A.A.3      One-in-two year peak demand forecast**

In clause 4A.A.3, omit "*National Electricity Law*" and substitute "*NEL*".

### **[6] Clause 4A.A.4      Peak demand**

In clause 4A.A.4(a), omit "*National Electricity Law*" and substitute "*NEL*".

### **[7] Clause 4A.B.3      Supporting materials**

In clause 4A.B.3(b)(1), omit "Forecasting Best Practice Guidelines" and substitute "*Forecasting Best Practice Guidelines*".

### **[8] Clause 4A.C.6      Corrections to a request**

In clause 4A.C.6(a), omit "*National Electricity Law*" and substitute "*NEL*".

### **[9] Clause 4A.E.2      Net contract position**

In clause 4A.E.2 in the **Note**, omit "National Electricity Law" and substitute "*NEL*".

### **[10] Clause 5.10.2      Definitions**

In clause 5.10.2, in the definition of "**potential credible option**", omit "RIT-D proponent" and "RIT-T proponent" and substitute "*RIT-D proponent*" and "*RIT-T proponent*", respectively.

**[11] Clause 5.10.2 Definitions**

In clause 5.10.2, in the definition of "**potential transmission project**", omit "cost threshold determination" and substitute "*cost threshold determination*".

**[12] Clause 5.13.1 Distribution annual planning review**

In clause 5.13.1(d)(1)(ii), omit "zone substations" and substitute "*zone substations*".

**[13] Clause 5.13.3 Distribution system limitation template**

In clause 5.13.3(b), omit all references to "system limitations" and substitute "*system limitations*".

**[14] Clause 5.13.3 Distribution system limitation template**

In clause 5.13.3(c)(1)(iii), omit "system limitation" and substitute "*system limitation*".

**[15] Rule 5.13A Distribution zone substation information**

In rule 5.13A(b), omit "zone substation" and substitute "*zone substation*".

**[16] Rule 5.13A Distribution zone substation information**

In rule 5.13A(b)(1), omit "zone substation" and substitute "*zone substation*".

**[17] Rule 5.13A Distribution zone substation information**

In rule 5.13A(b)(2), omit "zone substation" and substitute "*zone substation*".

**[18] Rule 5.13A Distribution zone substation information**

In rule 5.13A(b)(3), omit "zone substation" and substitute "*zone substation*".

**[19] Rule 5.13A Distribution zone substation information**

In rule 5.13A(b)(5), omit "zone substation" and substitute "*zone substation*".

**[20] Rule 5.13A Distribution zone substation information**

In clause 5.13A(g), omit "zone substation" and substitute "*zone substation*".

**[21] Clause 5.15.3 Review of costs thresholds**

In clause 5.15.3(a), in the "**Note**", omit "cost thresholds" and substitute "*cost thresholds*".

**[22] Clause 5.15.3 Review of costs thresholds**

In clause 5.15.3(f), omit the second ":".

**[23] Clause 5.15.3 Review of costs thresholds**

In clause 5.15.3(j), omit "cost thresholds" and substitute "*cost thresholds*".

**[24] Clause 5.15A.2 Principles for RIT-T projects which are not actionable ISP projects**

In clause 5.15A.2(b)(5), omit "*RIT-T proponent's*" and substitute "*RIT-T proponent's*".

**[25] Clause 5.15A.2 Principles for RIT-T projects which are not actionable ISP projects**

In clause 5.15A.2(b)(10)(iii), omit "RIT-T project" and substitute "*RIT-T project*".

**[26] Clause 5.15A.2 Principles for RIT-T projects which are not actionable ISP projects**

In clause 5.15A.2(b)(12), omit "credible option" and substitute "*credible option*".

**[27] Clause 5.15A.3 Principles for actionable ISP projects**

In clause 5.15A.3(b)(7)(iii)(A), omit "ISP candidate options" and substitute "*ISP candidate options*".

**[28] Clause 5.15A.3 Principles for actionable ISP projects**

In clause 5.15A.3(b)(7)(iii)(C), omit "credible options" and substitute "*credible options*".

**[29] Clause 5.15A.3 Principles for actionable ISP projects**

In clause 5.15A.3(b)(7)(iv), omit each reference to "ISP parameter" and substitute "*ISP parameter*".

**[30] Clause 5.16.2 Regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines**

In clause 5.16.2(a), omit "(the regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines)" and substitute "(the **regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines**)".

**[31] Clause 5.16.2 Regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines**

In clause 5.16.2(b), omit "regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines" and substitute "*regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines*".

**[32] Clause 5.16.2 Regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines**

In clause 5.16.2(c), omit "regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines" and substitute "*regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines*".

**[33] Clause 5.16.2 Regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines**

In clause 5.16.2(d), omit "regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines" and substitute "*regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines*".

**[34] Clause 5.16.2 Regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines**

In clause 5.16.2(e), omit "regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines" and substitute "*regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines*".

**[35] Clause 5.16.2 Regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines**

In clause 5.16.2(f), omit "regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines" and substitute "*regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines*".

**[36] Clause 5.16.2 Regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines**

In clause 5.16.2(g), omit "regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines" and substitute "*regulatory investment test for transmission application guidelines*".

**[37] Clause 5.16.4 Regulatory investment test for transmission procedures**

In clause 5.16.4(v)(2), omit "*RIT-T proponent's*" and substitute "*RIT-T proponent's*".

**[38] Clause 5.16A.4 Regulatory investment test for transmission procedures**

In clause 5.16A.4(d)(6), omit "ISP parameters" and substitute "*ISP parameters*".

**[39] Clause 5.16A.4 Regulatory investment test for transmission procedures**

In clause 5.16A.4(d)(8), omit "preferred option" and "RIT-T proponent" and substitute "*preferred option*" and "*RIT-T proponent*", respectively.

**[40] Clause 5.16A.4 Regulatory investment test for transmission procedures**

In clause 5.16A.4(j)(2), omit "*RIT-T proponent's*" and substitute "*RIT-T proponent's*".

**[41] Clause 5.16A.4 Regulatory investment test for transmission procedures**

In clause 5.16A.4(n)(2)(i), omit "RIT-T proponent" and substitute "*RIT-T proponent*".

**[42] Rule 5.16B Disputes in relation to application of regulatory investment test for transmission**

In rule 5.16B(a), omit "project assessment conclusions report" and substitute "*project assessment conclusions report*".

**[43] Rule 5.16B Disputes in relation to application of regulatory investment test for transmission**

In rule 5.16B(d)(3)(ii), omit "RIT-T proponent" and substitute "*RIT-T proponent*".

**[44] Clause 5.17.1 Principles**

In clause 5.17.1(c)(4)(vi), omit "*NEM ;*" and substitute "*NEM;*".

**[45] Clause 5.17.3 Projects subject to the regulatory investment test for distribution**

In clause 5.17.3(a)(5), omit "RIT-D project" and substitute "*RIT-D project*".

**[46] Clause 5.17.4 Regulatory investment test for distribution procedures**

In clause 5.17.4(r)(1)(ii), omit "*RIT-D proponent's*" and substitute "*RIT-D proponent's*".

**[47] Clause 5.18B.2 Register of completed embedded generation projects**

In clause 5.18B.2(c)(2), omit each reference to "DAPR date" and substitute "*DAPR date*".

**[48] Clause 5.22.6 Content of Integrated System Plan**

In clause 5.22.6(a)(2), omit each reference to "development path" and substitute "*development path*".

**[49] Clause 5.22.14 Final Integrated System Plan**

In clause 5.22.14(c)(4), omit "*National Electricity Law*" and substitute "*NEL*".

**[50] Clause S5.2.5.13 Voltage and reactive power control**

In clause S5.2.5.13(b)(3)(vi)(A), omit "static excitation system" and substitute "*static excitation system*".

**[51] Clause S5.2.5.13 Voltage and reactive power control**

In clause S5.2.5.13(b)(3)(viii)(A), omit "static excitation system" and substitute "*static excitation system*".

**[52] Clause S5.3a.8 Reactive power capability**

In clause S5.3a.8, omit "reactive support" and substitute "*reactive power*".

**[53] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8, item (b)(2)(i), omit "transmission-distribution connection points" and substitute "*transmission-distribution connection points*".

**[54] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8, item (b)(3), omit "transmission-distribution connection points" and substitute "*transmission-distribution connection points*".

**[55] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8, item (c)(3), omit "transmission-distribution connection points" and substitute "*transmission-distribution connection points*".

**[56] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8(b)(2)(iii), omit "zone substations" and substitute "*zone substations*".

**[57] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8(b)(3), omit "zone substations", "zone substation", "transmission-distribution connection points" and "transmission-distribution connection point" and substitute "*zone substations*", "*zone substation*", "*transmission-distribution connection points*" and "*transmission-distribution connection point*", respectively.



**[58] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8, item (b1)(4), omit "de-rate" and substitute "*de-rate*".

**[59] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8(c), omit "zone substations" and "system limitations" and substitute "*zone substations*" and "*system limitations*", respectively.

**[60] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8(c)(3), omit "system limitation" and "transmission-distribution connection points" and substitute "*system limitation*" and "*transmission-distribution connection points*", respectively.

**[61] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8(k)(2), omit "system limitations" and substitute "*system limitations*".

**[62] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8(n)(1), omit "zone substations" and substitute "*zone substations*".

**[63] Schedule 5.8 Distribution Annual Planning Report**

In Schedule 5.8(n)(2), omit "*primary distribution feeders*" and substitute "*primary distribution feeders*".

**[64] Schedule 5.9 Demand side engagement document  
(clause 5.13.1(h))**

In Schedule 5.9, item (d), omit "non-network provider" and substitute "*non-network provider*".

**[65] Schedule 5.9 Demand side engagement document  
(clause 5.13.1(h))**

In Schedule 5.9(n), omit "demand side engagement register" and substitute "*demand side engagement register*".

**[66] Clause 6B.A1.2 Definitions**

In clause 6B.A1.2, omit "*customer connection service*" and substitute "**customer connection service**".

**[67] Clause 6B.A1.2 Definitions**

In clause 6B.A1.2, omit "*date of issue*" and substitute "**date of issue**".

**[68] Clause 6B.A1.2 Definitions**

In clause 6B.A1.2, omit "*default rate*" and substitute "**default rate**".

**[69] Clause 6B.A1.2 Definitions**

In clause 6B.A1.2, omit "*due date for payment*" and substitute "**due date for payment**".

**[70] Clause 6B.A1.2 Definitions**

In clause 6B.A1.2, omit "*network charges*" and substitute "**network charges**".

**[71] Clause 6B.A1.2 Definitions**

In clause 6B.A1.2, omit "*retail billing period*" and substitute "**retail billing period**".

**[72] Clause 6B.A1.2 Definitions**

In clause 6B.A1.2, omit "*shared customer*" and substitute "**shared customer**".

**[73] Clause 6B.A1.2 Definitions**

In clause 6B.A1.2, omit "*statement of charges*" and substitute "**statement of charges**".

**[74] Clause 9.3.1 General Definitions**

Omit the table in clause 9.3.1(2) and substitute:

**Counterparties** in relation to each Smelter Agreement, means as applicable Portland Smelter Services Pty Ltd, Alcoa of Australia Limited (ACN 004 879 298) or any other party to that Smelter Agreement (other than SEC).

**CPI** means the Consumer Price Index: All Groups Index Number Melbourne compiled by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

**distribution licence** means a *licence* to distribute and supply electricity.

**Distributor** means a person who holds a distribution *licence*.

**EI Act** means *Electricity Industry Act 2000* (Vic).

**EI (RP) Act** means *Electricity Industry (Residual Provisions) Act 1993* (Vic).

**ESC** means the Essential Services Commission established under section 7 of the *ESC Act*.

**ESC Act** means the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic).

**licence** means a *licence* within the meaning of the *EI Act* or deemed to be issued under the *EI Act* by operation of clause 5 of Schedule 4 to the *EI (RP) Act*.

**Quarter** means the respective 3 monthly periods adopted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics for the compilation and issue of the CPI.

**SEC** means State Electricity Commission of Victoria established under the *State Electricity Commission Act 1958* (Vic).

**Smelter Agreements** means each of the agreements, contracts and deeds referred to in Part A of schedule 3 to the *EI (RP) Act* in their form as at 1 July 1996 (other than the Portland and Point Henry Flexible Tariff Deeds between SEC and the State Trust Corporation of Victoria) in each case until that agreement, contract or deed expires or is terminated.

**Smelter Trader** means SEC in its capacity as Smelter Trader.

**System Code** means the code of that name sealed by the Office of the Regulator-General under the *Office of the Regulator-General Act 1994* (Vic) on 3 October 1994 and saved and continued in operation by section 67 of the *ESC Act*.

**VENCorp** means Victorian Energy Networks Corporation established under Division 2A of Part 2 of the *Gas Industry Act 1994* (Vic) and continued under Part 8 of the *Gas Industry Act 2001* (Vic).

**Victorian Distribution Network** means in relation to a person that holds a distribution *licence*, the *distribution systems* in Victoria to which that *licence* relates and includes any part of those systems.

**Victorian Minister** means the Minister who, for the time being, administers the *National Electricity (Victoria) Act 1997* (Vic).

**Victorian Transmission Network** means the *declared shared network* of Victoria.

**Wholesale Metering Code** means the code of that name sealed by the Office of the Regulator-General under the *Office of the Regulator-General Act 1994* (Vic) on 3 October 1994, as in force immediately before *market commencement*.

## **[75] Rule 9.29A                      Monitoring and reporting**

In rule 9.29A(e), in the definition of "**relevant protocol on the use of emergency powers**", omit the second reference to "National Electricity Market" and substitute "*NEM*".

## [76] Chapter 10            Glossary

In chapter 10, omit the first instance of each of the following definitions:

*date of issue*

*default rate*

*due date for payment*

*network charges*

*shared customer*

*statement of charges*

## [77] Chapter 10            Glossary

In chapter 10, in the definition of "*network agreement*", omit "National Electricity Law" and substitute "*NEL*".

## [78] Chapter 10            Glossary

In the definition of "*NMAS*" in chapter 10 paragraph (a), omit "*NCASs*" and substitute "*NSCASs*".

## [79] Chapter 10            Glossary

In chapter 10, omit the definition of "*supply scarcity mechanism means each of the following:*" and substitute:

### *supply scarcity mechanism*

Means each of the following:

- (a) exercising the *reliability and emergency reserve trader* in accordance with rule 3.20 by:
  - (1) *dispatching scheduled generating units, scheduled network services or scheduled loads* in accordance with any *scheduled reserve contract*; or
  - (2) *activating loads or generating units* under any *unscheduled reserve contract*;
- (b) issuing a *direction* in accordance with clause 4.8.9;
- (c) issuing a *clause 4.8.9 instruction* in accordance with clause 4.8.9.

## [80] Clause 11.52.1        Definitions

In clause 11.52.1, in the definition of "**customer energy**", omit "clause 3.15.6A(o)(3)" and substitute "clause 3.15.6A(a0)".