



Draft National Electricity Amendment (Expanding the transmission ring-fencing framework) Rule 2024

The Australian Energy Market Commission makes the following Rule 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 *National Electricity (New South Wales) Act 1997* of New South Wales;
- (e) the *Electricity - National Scheme (Tasmania) Act 1999* of Tasmania;
- (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.

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1 Title of Rule

This Rule is the *Draft National Electricity Amendment (Expanding the transmission ring-fencing framework) Rule 2024*.

2 Commencement

This Rule commences operation on 30 May 2024.

3 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

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

4 Savings and Transitional Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

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

Schedule 1 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] 6A.21.2 Development of Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines

In clause 6A.21.2, before paragraph (a), insert:

- (a0) For the purposes of clause 6A.21.2, **relevant transmission services** means *prescribed transmission services* and *negotiated transmission services*.

[2] 6A.21.2 Development of Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines

Following clause 6A.21.2(a), insert:

- (a1) For the avoidance of doubt, in developing the *Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines*, the *AER* may decide to not impose obligations in relation to *negotiated transmission services* or specific *negotiated transmission services*.

[3] 6A.21.2 Development of Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines

In clause 6A.21.2(a), omit "*prescribed transmission services*" and substitute "relevant transmission services".

[4] 6A.21.2 Development of Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines

In clause 6A.21.2(b)(1)(ii), omit "*prescribed transmission services*" and substitute "relevant transmission services".

[5] 6A.21.2 Development of Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines

In clause 6A.21.2(b)(1)(iii), omit "*prescribed transmission services*" and substitute "relevant transmission services".

[6] 6A.21.2 Development of Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines

In clause 6A.21.2(b)(1)(v), omit "*prescribed transmission services*" and substitute "relevant transmission services".

Schedule 2 Savings and Transitional Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 4)

[1] New Rule X Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines

In chapter 11, after rule 11.XX, insert:

11.XX Rules consequential on the making of the National Electricity Amendment (Expanding the transmission ring- fencing framework) Rule 2024

11.XX.1 Definitions

For the purposes of this rule 11.XX:

Amending Rule means the *National Electricity Amendment (Expanding the transmission ring-fencing framework) Rule 2024*.

commencement date means 30 May 2024, being the date on which the Amending Rule commences operation.

11.XX.2 Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines

Within 12 months after the commencement date, the *AER* must update and publish the *Transmission Ring-Fencing Guidelines* required under clause 6A.21.2, and in doing so must comply with the *transmission consultation procedures*.