



Draft National Energy Retail Amendment (Introduction of metering coordinator planned interruptions) Rule 2020

under the National Energy Retail Law as applied by:

- (a) the National Energy Retail Law (South Australia) Act 2011 of South Australia;
- (b) the National Energy Retail Law (ACT) Act 2012 of the Australian Capital Territory;
- (c) the National Energy Retail Law (Adoption) Act 2012 of New South Wales;
- (d) the National Energy Retail Law (Queensland) Act 2014 of Queensland;
- (e) the National Energy Retail Law (Tasmania) Act 2012 of Tasmania; and
- (f) the Australian Energy Market Act 2004 of the Commonwealth.

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

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Chairman
Australian Energy Market Commission

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1 Title of Rule

This Rule is the *Draft National Energy Retail Amendment (Introduction of metering coordinator planned interruptions) Rule 2020*.

2 Commencement

Schedules 1 and 3 of this Rule commence operation on [26 March 2020].
Schedule 2 of this Rule commences operation on [26 June 2020].

3 Amendment to the National Energy Retail Rules

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

4 Amendment to the National Energy Retail Rules

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

5 Savings and Transitional Amendment to the National Energy Retail Rules

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

**Schedule 1 Amendment to the National Energy Retail
Rules**

(Clause 3)

**[1] Rule 59C Retailer interruption to supply - electricity
(SRC and MRC)**

Omit subrule 59C(4)(a) and substitute:

- (a) specify the expected date, time and duration of the *retailer planned interruption*, and whether the *interruption* is for the purposes of installing, maintaining, repairing or replacing an electricity *meter* for the notified customer or for another customer; and

**[2] Rule 91A Metering coordinator and distributor to
assist and cooperate - electricity**

In rule 91A(c), omit "," and substitute "; and".

**[3] Rule 91A Metering coordinator and distributor to
assist and cooperate - electricity**

After paragraph (c) in rule 91A, insert:

- (c1) the retailer has requested the distributor to carry out a *distributor planned interruption*,

**[4] Rule 91A Metering coordinator and distributor to
assist and cooperate - electricity**

In rule 91A(d), after "must effect the *interruption*", insert "within 25 business days of the request".

**[5] Rule 91A Metering coordinator and distributor to
assist and cooperate - electricity**

In rule 91A(f), after "must give all", omit "other" .

**[6] Rule 91A Metering coordinator and distributor to
assist and cooperate - electricity**

In rule 91A(f), omit "." and substitute "; and".

**[7] Rule 91A Metering coordinator and distributor to
assist and cooperate - electricity**

In rule 91A, after paragraph (f), insert:

- (g) where a timeframe for installing or repairing a *meter* specified in clause 7.8.10(aa), 7.8.10A, 7.8.10B or 7.8.10C of the NER applies, the distributor must co-ordinate the *interruption* with the retailer, the *metering coordinator* and other relevant parties in order to allow the retailer or the *metering coordinator*, as applicable, to comply with the timeframe.

**Schedule 2 Amendment to the National Energy Retail
Rules**

(Clause 4)

**[1] Schedule 1 Model terms and conditions for standard
retail contracts**

In clause 11A.1(a), omit "your electricity *meter*" and substitute "an electricity *meter*".

**[2] Schedule 1 Model terms and conditions for standard
retail contracts**

After clause 23 under the heading "**Simplified explanation of terms**", in the definition of "**retailer planned interruption**", omit "your electricity *meter*" and substitute "an electricity *meter*".

**[3] Schedule 2 Model terms and conditions for deemed
standard connection contracts**

After clause 19 under the heading "**Simplified explanation of terms**", in the definition of "**retailer planned interruption**", omit "your electricity *meter*" and substitute "an electricity *meter*".

Schedule 3 Savings and Transitional Amendment to the National Energy Retail Rules

(Clause 5)

[1] New Part [##] Rules consequential on the making of the National Energy Retail Amendment (Introduction of metering coordinator planned interruptions) Rule 2020

In Schedule 3, after Part [##], insert:

Part [##] Rules consequential on the making of the National Energy Retail Amendment (Introduction of metering coordinator planned interruptions) Rule 2020

1 Definitions

(1) In this Part:

Amending Rule means the National Energy Retail Amendment (Introduction of metering coordinator planned interruptions) Rule 2020.

effective date means the date of commencement of Schedule 2 of the Amending Rule.

required alterations means the amendments required by Schedule 2 of the Amending Rule to standard retail contracts and deemed standard connection contracts as in force from the effective date.

2 Variation date

(1) Retailers must make the required alterations to their standard retail contracts by the effective date.

(2) Distributors must make the required alterations to their deemed standard connection contracts by the effective date.

(3) Alterations made under subrules (1) and (2) must take effect on and from the effective date.