



Draft National Electricity Amendment (Semi-scheduled generator dispatch obligations) 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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1 Title of Rule

This Rule is the *Draft National Electricity Amendment (Semi-scheduled generator dispatch obligations) Rule 2021*.

2 Commencement

This Rule commences operation on [COMMENCEMENT_DATE].

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 4.9.2 Instructions to Scheduled Generators and Semi-Scheduled Generators

In clause 4.9.2(a)(1), after "service;" insert "and".

[2] Clause 4.9.2 Instructions to Scheduled Generators and Semi-Scheduled Generators

Omit clauses 4.9.2(a)(2) and 4.9.2(a)(3) and substitute:

- (2) in the case of a:
 - (i) *scheduled generating unit*, the level or schedule of power;
and
 - (ii) *semi-scheduled generating unit*, the *dispatch level*,
to be supplied by the *generating unit* over the specified period.

[3] Clause 4.9.8 General responsibilities of Registered Participants

After clause 4.9.8(a1), insert:

- (a2) A *Semi-Scheduled Generator* is not taken to have failed to comply with a *dispatch instruction* as a consequence of:
 - (1) in a *semi-dispatch interval*, the level of power supplied by the *generating unit* being less than the *dispatch level* nominated in the *dispatch instruction*, to the extent that the shortfall is the result of *resource* availability; or
 - (2) in a *non semi-dispatch interval*, the level of power supplied by the *generating unit* either exceeding or being less than the *dispatch level* nominated in the *dispatch instruction*, to the extent that the excess or shortfall (as applicable) is the result of *resource* availability.

[4] Chapter 10 Substituted definitions

In Chapter 10, substitute the following definition in alphabetical order:

dispatch level

Means:

- (1) for a *semi-dispatch interval*, the amount of electricity specified in a *dispatch instruction* as the *semi-scheduled generating unit's* maximum permissible *active power* at the end of the *dispatch interval* specified in the *dispatch instruction*; and
- (2) for a *non semi-dispatch interval*, the amount of electricity specified in a *dispatch instruction* as the target *active power* at the end of the *dispatch interval* specified in the *dispatch instruction*.

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In respect of a *scheduled generating unit*, *semi-scheduled generating unit*, *scheduled load* or *scheduled network service* for a *trading interval* means that the *scheduled generating unit*, *semi-scheduled generating unit*, *scheduled load* or *scheduled network service* is only able to be *dispatched* in the *trading interval* at a fixed *loading level* specified in accordance with clause 3.8.19(a).

[5] Chapter 10 New definition

Insert the following definition in alphabetical order:

resource

The *intermittent* energy source (such as wind or solar radiation) that is converted by a *semi-scheduled generating unit* into *energy*.