



Draft National Electricity Amendment (Enhancing access for registered participant representatives) Rule 2026

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 (Enhancing access for registered participant representatives) Rule 2026*.

2 Commencement

Schedule 1 of this Rule commences operation on 1 March 2027.

Schedule 2 of this Rule commences operation on 7 May 2026.

3 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

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

4 Savings and Transitional Amendments

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

Schedule 1 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 3)

[1] Clause 8.1.3 Structure of this Chapter

In clause 8.1.3(b)(3), at the start of the text, after "Part C deals with", omit "the" and substitute "confidentiality".

[2] Clause 8.1.3 Structure of this Chapter

In clause 8.1.3(b)(3), at the end of the text, omit "of *Registered Participants* to maintain confidentiality".

[3] Clause 8.1.3 Structure of this Chapter

Omit clauses 8.1.3(c), 8.1.3(d), 8.1.3(e), 8.1.3(f) and 8.1.3(g).

[4] Part C Registered Participants' confidentiality obligations

In the heading, at the start of the text, omit "Registered Participants' c" and substitute "C".

[5] Clause 8.6.1 Confidentiality

In the heading, at the end of the text, insert "obligations of Registered Participants".

[6] Clause 8.6.1 Confidentiality obligations of Registered Participants

In clause 8.6.1(c), at the start of the text, omit "Each" and substitute "Without limiting clause 8.6.3, each".

[7] Clause 8.6.1 Confidentiality obligations of Registered Participants

In clause 8.6.1(c)(2), after "to whom it discloses *confidential information*", insert ", or any person to whom it authorises *AEMO* to disclose *confidential information*".

[8] Clause 8.6.1 Confidentiality obligations of Registered Participants

After clause 8.6.1(e), insert:

- (f) When *confidential information* is disclosed either in accordance with or in breach of rule 8.6, then subject to section 34 of the *NEL* the duty of confidentiality imposed by rule 8.6 extends to the person to whom the information is disclosed.

[9] Clause 8.6.1A Application

Omit the heading of clause 8.6.1A and substitute "Definitions".

[10] Clause 8.6.1A Definitions

Omit clause 8.6.1A, excluding the heading and substitute:

For the purposes of this Part C only:

- (a) **Disclosee** means a person to whom *confidential information* has been disclosed in accordance with this rule 8.6.
- (b) *"Registered Participant"* is deemed to include not just *Registered Participants* but also *Metering Providers, Metering Data Providers, Embedded Network Managers, Third Party B2B Participants* and *project developers*.

[11] Clause 8.6.2 Exceptions

In the unnumbered paragraph starting with "This rule 8.6 does not prevent:", at the start of the text, omit "This rule 8.6" and substitute "Clause 8.6.1".

[12] Clause 8.6.2 Exceptions

In clause 8.6.2(b)(1), after "officer of the *Registered Participant* or", insert "of".

[13] Clause 8.6.2 Exceptions

In clause 8.6.2(b)(2), after "auditor or other consultant", omit "(in this clause 8.6.2(b) called **Consultants**)".

[14] Clause 8.6.2 Exceptions

In clause 8.6.2(b1), at the start of the text, after "**(service providers):**", insert "without limiting disclosure that is otherwise permitted under this rule 8.6, ".

[15] Clause 8.6.2 Exceptions

In clause 8.6.2(b1), after "disclosure of *NMI Standing Data*", omit "or the provision of means to gain electronic access to that data".

[16] Clause 8.6.2 Exceptions

Omit clause 8.6.2(d1).

[17] Clause 8.6.2 Exceptions

In clause 8.6.2(j), at the end of the text, insert "and".

[18] Clause 8.6.2 Exceptions

In clause 8.6.2(k), at the end of the text, omit "; and" and substitute ".".

[19] Clause 8.6.2 Exceptions

Omit clause 8.6.2(l) and substitute "[Deleted]".

[20] Clause 8.6.3 Conditions

In clause 8.6.3, after "In the case of a disclosure" omit "under clauses 8.6.2(b), 8.6.2(b1), 8.6.2(h), prior to making the disclosure the *Registered Participant* that wishes to make the disclosure" and substitute ":

- (a) to be made by a *Registered Participant* under clauses 8.6.2(b), 8.6.2(b1) or 8.6.2(h); or
 - (b) to be authorised by a *Registered Participant* in accordance with clause 8.6.4(a),
- prior to making or authorising that disclosure, the *Registered Participant*".

[21] Clause 8.6.4 [Deleted]

Omit the text of the heading and substitute "Authorisation of other persons to receive confidential information from AEMO".

[22] Clause 8.6.4 Authorisation of persons to receive confidential information from AEMO

After the heading of clause 8.6.4, insert:

- (a) A *Registered Participant* may, in accordance with the procedures published under paragraph (b):
 - (1) authorise a *Registered Participant Agent* or a person described in clauses 8.6.2(b) or 8.6.2(b1) to receive or otherwise access *confidential information* from *AEMO* on behalf of the *Registered Participant*; and
 - (2) vary or revoke such authorisation from time to time.
- (b) *AEMO* must, in accordance with the *Rules consultation procedures*, establish, *publish* and maintain procedures which set out:
 - (1) the process for a *Registered Participant* to make, vary or revoke an authorisation in accordance with paragraph (a); and
 - (2) the requirements for, and terms and conditions of, access to the *electronic communication system* or any other *AEMO* system or database.

- (c) A *Registered Participant* must comply with, and take appropriate precautions to ensure that any person it authorises under paragraph (a) complies with, the procedures published by *AEMO* under paragraph (b).
- (d) To the extent that:
 - (1) in accordance with the *NEL* or the *Rules*, *AEMO* is required or permitted to disclose *confidential information* to a *Registered Participant*; and
 - (2) that *Registered Participant* has otherwise complied with its obligations under this clause 8.6.4,

AEMO may disclose or otherwise provide access to such *confidential information* to any persons authorised by that *Registered Participant* in accordance with paragraph (a).

[23] Clause 8.6.5 Indemnity to AER, AEMC and AEMO

In clause 8.6.5, after "liable for in respect of any", omit "breach by that *Registered Participant* or any officer, agent or employee of that *Registered Participant* of this rule 8.6" and substitute ":

- (a) breach by that *Registered Participant* or any officer, agent or employee of that *Registered Participant* of this rule 8.6; or
- (b) act or omission by a person to whom that *Registered Participant* has made or authorised a disclosure of *confidential information* where such act or omission would constitute a breach of clause 8.6.1 if it were an act or omission of the *Registered Participant*".

[24] Chapter 10 Glossary

Omit the definition of "*Disclosee*".

Schedule 2 Savings and Transitional Amendments

(Clause 4)

[1] Part ZZZZZK 2026 Savings and Transitional Rules

After Part ZZZZZJ, insert:

Part ZZZZZK 2026 Savings and Transitional Rules

Rule 11.[XX] Rules consequential on the making of the National Electricity Amendment (Enhancing access for registered participant representatives) Rule 2026

11.[XX].1 Definitions

For the purposes of this rule 11.[XX]:

Amending Rule means the *National Electricity Amendment (Enhancing access for registered participant representatives) Rule 2026*.

commencement date means 1 March 2027, being the date Schedule 1 of the Amending Rule commences.

11.[XX].2 AEMO Procedures

By 1 March 2027, *AEMO* must develop and *publish* the procedures in accordance with clause 8.6.4(b) of the *Rules* as in force on the commencement date.