



## **National Electricity Amendment (Common definitions of distribution reliability measures) Rule 2015 No. 10**

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; and
- (g) the Australian Energy Market Act 2004 of the Commonwealth.

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

John Pierce  
Chairman  
Australian Energy Market Commission

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### **1 Title of Rule**

This Rule is the *National Electricity Amendment (Common definitions of distribution reliability measures) Rule 2015 No.10*.

### **2 Commencement**

Schedules 1 and 3 commence on 5 November 2015.

Schedule 2 commences on 30 June 2017.

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

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

### **4 Amendment of the National Electricity Rules**

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

### **5 Savings and Transitional Amendments to the National Electricity Rules**

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

## Schedule 1      Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 3)

### [1] Clause 6.2.8      Guidelines

In clause 6.2.8(g), insert "or the *Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines*." after "*Guidelines*".

### [2] 6.28                      Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines

After clause 6.27(e), insert a new Part P as follows:

#### **Part P    Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines**

##### **6.28      Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines**

- (a) The *AER* must in accordance with the *distribution consultation procedures* make and *publish* guidelines (the *Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines*) that describe a set of common definitions of reliability measures that can be used to assess and compare the reliability performance of *Distribution Network Service Providers*.
- (b) There must be *Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines* in force at all times after the date on which the *AER* first *publishes* *Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines* under these *Rules*.
- (c) The *AER* must review the *Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines* at least every 5 years.

### [3] Chapter 10      New Definitions

In Chapter 10, insert the following new definition:

#### *Distribution Reliability Measures*

Guidelines made by the *AER* under clause 6.28.

## **Schedule 2          Amendment to the National Electricity Rules**

(Clause 4)

### **[1] Clause 6.6.2          Service target performance incentive**

In clause 6.6.2(b)(3)(vii), insert "; and" after "alternatives".

### **[2] Clause 6.6.2          Service target performance incentive**

After clause 6.6.2(b)(3), insert:

- (4) must have regard to the *Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines*.

### **[3] 8.74                      Preparation of network service provider performance report (Section 28V of the NEL)**

After clause 8.7.4(b), insert:

- (b1) In preparing a *network service provider performance report*, the *AER* must have regard to the *Distribution Reliability Measures Guidelines*.

## Schedule 3 Savings and Transitional Amendments to the National Electricity

(Clause 5)

### [1] Chapter 11 Savings and Transitional Rules

After rule 11.84, insert:

#### Part ZZM Common definitions of distribution reliability measures

#### 11.85 Rules consequential on the making of the National Electricity Amendment (Common definitions of distribution reliability measures) Rule 2015

##### 11.85.1 Definitions

(a) In this rule 11.85:

**Amending Rule** means the National Electricity Amendment (Common definitions of distribution reliability measures) Rule 2015.

**effective date** means 30 June 2017.

##### 11.85.2 Distribution reliability measures guidelines

Despite clause 6.28(a), the AER must develop and *publish* the *distribution reliability measures guidelines* by 30 June 2017.

##### 11.85.3 Amended STPIS

(a) If, prior to the effective date, and for the purposes of developing any changes to the current version of the *service target performance incentive scheme* in anticipation of the Amending Rule, the AER undertook a consultation, step, decision or action equivalent to that as required in the *distribution consultation procedures* or otherwise under the *Rules*, then that consultation, step, decision or action is taken to satisfy the equivalent consultation step, decision or action under the *distribution consultation procedures* or *Rules*.

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[END OF RULE AS MADE]

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