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Dear Mr ^{Ian,} Woodward

Draft Report for the Reliability Panel's Template for Generator Compliance Programs

AEMO appreciates the opportunity to respond to the Reliability Panel's Draft Report for the Template for Generator Compliance Programs. This response is being submitted by the Australian Energy Market Operator (Transitional) Ltd (**AEMOT**) on behalf of Australian Energy Market Operator Limited (**AEMO**). Any reference in this letter and submission to either AEMO or AEMOT should be taken as a reference to the entity that will exist from 1 July 2009, which will be called the Australian Energy Market Operator.

AEMO's primary concern is with the inclusion of draft Principle 8 which comments on Generators' liability regarding compliance breaches in instances where there is reliance on input from the market operator and/or a Network Service Provider (**NSP**) to determine power system related equipment settings. AEMO notes that the inputs it produces rely on the power system modelling information provided by Generators being correct. Therefore, the acceptance of a performance standard relies on the accuracy of the information provided. Where information provided is inaccurate and a compliance breach results, AEMO considers that Generators should be responsible. This is important because this information is used to plan and operate the National Electricity Market, and if a Generator's response differs materially from what is expected, power system security may be compromised.

Given this, AEMO considers that the inclusion of comments regarding liability for a compliance breach in draft Principle 8 are inappropriate because they indicate that Generators would not have any responsibility for compliance breaches in these instances. AEMO considers that Principle 8 should be amended to reflect the reliance of NSPs and the market operator on the accuracy of the power system modelling information provided. That is, a generator should be responsible for reasonable compliance with agreed models. The inclusion of such a principle would reinforce and strengthen the link between predicted and actual performance compliant with the information that they provide. This would increase the role of compliance programs in ensuring information used by planners and the market operator is as close to actuality as possible.

AEMO has also provided comments on the draft template. These comments are set out in Attachment 1.

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Yours Sincerely

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ATTACHMENT 1: AEMO COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT TEMPLATE FOR GENERATOR COMPLIANCE

AEMO's comments on the draft template are explained the column on the far right of each table. AEMO has not sought to comment on all performance standards covered in the draft template, however, tables for these performance standards have been included in this attachment for completeness.

Amendments to the wording within the template are indicated by the use of bold typeface and strikethroughs in the relevant sections of the tables.

Reactive Power Capability (as required under S5.2.5.1 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment
Method 1: At rated power output, adjust the reactive power capability to specified levels	Every 3 years and after plant change	Directly Measurable. Applies to synchronous and conventional plant.	Achieve reactive power requirements of the performance standard	
Method 2: Exercise the over and under excitation limits at as close to rated power output as practical	Every 3 years and after plant change	Directly Measurable. Applies to synchronous and conventional plant.	Achieve reactive power requirements of the performance standard	
Method 3: Step testing of AVR limiters	Every 3 years and after plant change	Applies to conventional plant	Achieve reactive power requirements of the performance standard	
Method 4: (a) Capability will be tested	Following plant change	Applies to wind farms plant	Achieve performance standard	
(b) Capability will be monitored using SCADA under normal wind farm operation	Annual review of a selection of events	Consistency with plant characteristics	Consistency with plant characteristics	
Method 5: Routine testing of <u>relevant sub-systems</u>	As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u>	Applicable to a wide range of generating plant and systems	Consistency with plant characteristics	

Power Factor when not generating
(clause and versions of the Rules: N/A)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment
Method 1: Direct measurement and calculation of power factor when not generating		Every 3 years and following <u>plant change</u>	Only applies where there is a circuit breaker, allowing auxiliary supply to be drawn through the main connection point	Actual capability directly demonstrated

Quality of Electricity Generated
(as required under S5.2.5.2 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment
Method 1: (a) Direct measurements using power quality meters to derive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. voltage fluctuation levels ii. Voltage balance iii. harmonics, flicker and negative phase sequence voltage prior to synchronization (b) Routine testing of any relevant sub-systems		Following <u>plant change</u> As appropriate to the technology of the relevant sub-system	Important when power quality at the connection point is dependent on ancillary plant of power electronic control systems	Data analysis can demonstrate compliance is met. Consistency with plant characteristics.
Method 2: (a) Capability will be Monitored through use of Power Quality Monitors (b) Testing of any <u>relevant sub-systems</u>		Routine monitoring Specific review annually and following <u>plant change</u> As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u>	Important when power quality at the connection point is dependent on ancillary plant of power electronic control systems	Not raising alarms. Consistency with plant characteristics (no deterioration). Consistency with plant characteristics

Response to Frequency Disturbances

(as required under S5.2.5.3 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology	Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
<p>Method 1:</p> <p>(a) Investigating unit trips that occur during significant frequency disturbances</p> <p>(b) Routine testing of <u>relevant sub-systems</u> including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. testing of control system response to disturbances by the injection of simulated frequency / speed control signals ii. Routine tests of electrical/mechanical over speed devices <p>Method 2:</p> <p>(a) Investigating system performance using high speed data recorders</p> <p>(b) Routine testing of relevant sub-systems including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. testing of control system response to disturbances by the injection of simulated frequency / speed control signals ii. Routine tests of electrical/mechanical over speed devices <p>Method 3:</p> <p>(a) Verify the modelled performance of turbines (say 1-2%)</p> <p>(b) Verify the performance at the connection point by testing response to an introduced disturbance</p> <p>(c) Continuous monitoring (high speed) of performance at the connection point</p>	<p>On every event</p> <p>As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u></p> <p>On major events and minimum annual review</p> <p>As appropriate to the technology of the relevant sub-system</p> <p>Following <u>plant change</u></p> <p>Type testing and verification every 10 years</p>	<p>Appropriate to use where high speed monitors are available and models have been used in establishing compliance</p> <p>Only applicable to small asynchronous generators with digital controls that are aggregated</p> <p>Each unit is not material and performance slippage is unlikely</p> <p>Appropriate to use where high speed monitors are available and models have been used in establishing compliance</p>	<p>Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available</p> <p>Operation over the frequency range specified and agreed in the Generator Performance Standard</p>	<p>This performance standard requires continuous uninterrupted operation. AEMO therefore suggests that the particular monitoring components included in Methods 2, 3 and 4 mean that these methods are necessarily suitable for this performance standard. These methodologies actually test how a machine responds to a frequency disturbance rather than proving that it will operate continuously through a frequency excursion. AEMO considers that these methods are better suited to the testing and monitoring of S5.2.5.11 – Frequency Control.</p> <p>If the Panel decides to retain these methods, AEMO would suggest that Method 3 should require routine testing of relevant subsystems.</p>

<p>Method 4: (a) Performance of relevant sub-systems will be monitored using the following systems under normal machine operation: digital protection relays; other data-logging equipment as required (b) Routine testing and validation of <u>relevant sub-system</u> performance including: i. electrical protection; and ii. turbine protection</p>	<p>On major events and minimum annual review As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u></p>		<p>Achieve performance standard</p>
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Response to Voltage Disturbances
(as required under S5.2.5.4 in versions 13-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology	Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
<p>Method 1: (a) Investigating unit trips that occur during significant voltage disturbances (b) Routine testing of relevant sub-systems including: i. AVR systems ii. Auxiliary power systems iii. Protection relays</p>	<p>Event by event analysis As appropriate to the technology of the relevant sub-system</p>		<p>Consistency with plant characteristics</p>	<p>Method 2: This performance standard only requires continuous uninterrupted operation of the generating system or unit. Part (a) of this method tests how the system responds to a voltage disturbance rather than proving that it will operate continuously through a voltage excursion. AEMO considers that it more appropriate for part (a) to be utilised in the development of testing and monitoring methodologies for S5.2.5.13 - Voltage and Reactive Power Control.</p>
<p>Method 2: (a) Continuous high speed monitoring (b) Routine testing of relevant sub-systems including: i. AVR systems ii. Auxiliary power systems iii. Protection relays</p>	<p>On major events and minimum annual review As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u></p>	<p>Appropriate to use where high speed monitors are available and models have been used in establishing compliance Where possible, testing of auxiliary power systems should include simulated disturbance testing</p>	<p>Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if models are not available</p>	<p>AEMO suggests an amendment to the 'Basis for compliance assessment' section (as indicated).</p>
<p>Method 3: (a) With the generator out of service, test the ability of nominated 415 V drives to sustain a specified voltage interruption</p>	<p>Every 4 years</p>	<p>Applies only to 415 V drives</p>	<p>Successful ride through of system voltage disturbances, as per the agreed performance standard</p>	

(b) In-service monitoring and investigation of any occurrence of a unit trip which may have been associated with a system voltage disturbance	Analysis of all events	This type of monitoring will be acceptable only if high speed monitoring is not available
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Generating Unit response to disturbances following contingency events
(as required under S5.2.5.5 in versions 13-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
Method 1: (a) Direct testing by instigating a network trip.		Following plant changes	Preferred method where possible and where risks can be managed	Actual results will confirm compliance with standard.	Method 1: AEMO seeks clarification on whether direct testing by instigating a network trip needs to be undertaken to be able to use this methodology or whether this would be optional. AEMO also suggests an amendment to the 'Basis for compliance assessment' section (as indicated).
(b) Continuous monitoring using high speed recorders		On major events and minimum annual review	Appropriate to use where high speed monitors are available and models have been used in establishing compliance	Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if models are not available.	
(c) Routine monitoring and testing of relevant sub-systems		As appropriate to the technology of the relevant sub-system		Achieve performances standards	
Method 2: (a) Investigate unit trips during major system events (b) Routine monitoring and testing of relevant sub-systems including suitable testing to confirm circuit breaker operating times		On every event As appropriate to the technology of the relevant sub-system			

Quality of Electricity Generated and Continuous Uninterrupted Operation
(as required under S5.2.5.6 in versions 13-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
Method 1: (a) Investigating unit trips to ensure the cause of the trip is not caused by voltage unbalanced-conditions, power-quality protection (harmonics or voltage		Following each event			Method 1: AEMO suggests an amendment to part (a) (as indicated).

<p>unbalance)</p> <p>(b) Routine monitoring and testing of any relevant sub-systems</p>	<p>As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u></p>			<p>Method 2: AEMO suggests an amendment to the 'Basis for compliance assessment' section (as indicated).</p>
<p>Method 2: Monitoring in-service performance using high speed data recorders</p>	<p>Review performance annually</p>	<p>Appropriate to use where high speed monitors are available and models have been used in establishing compliance</p>	<p>Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available.</p>	

Partial Load Rejection
(as required under S5.2.5.4 in versions 1-12 of the Rules, and S5.2.5.7 in versions 13-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology	Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment
<p>Method 1: (a) Measure response of the generator to system over-frequency and analyse the unit performance (b) Investigation of unit trips</p>	<p>On every event</p>	<p>Directly measurable</p>	<p>Achieve performance standards</p>
<p>Method 2: (a) Routine testing of relevant sub-systems including: i. Analytical simulation of generator, auxiliary systems and critical protections ii. Secondary injection testing of critical protection systems (b) Assess any unit trip for relationship to load rejection event</p>	<p>As appropriate to the technology of the relevant sub-system On every event</p>	<p>Type Test permissible where multiple units are involved</p>	<p>Simulation demonstrates ride through of load rejection event specified in Performance Standard Operation over the conditions specified and agreed in the Generator Performance Standard</p>
<p>Method 3: (a) Response to partial load rejection to be assessed by in service performance (b) Test for correct operation of turbine overspeed trips</p>	<p>Every 4 years</p>	<p>Overspeed protection checked off-line after major overhauls</p>	<p>That plant remained in service when required to do so That turbine trip operates to within acceptable tolerance of nominal trip setting for overspeed protection</p>

Protection from Power System Disturbances
(as required under S5.2.5.8 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology	Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
<p>Method 1: (a) Continuous monitoring using high speed recorders</p>	<p>As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u> On every event</p>	<p>Appropriate to use where high speed monitors are available and models have been used in establishing compliance</p>	<p>Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available That protection system operated in accordance with design and the Performance Standard</p>	<p>Methods 1, 2, and 3 for this performance standard follow similar principles AEMO suggests that the Panel look to consolidate these to avoid minor wording discrepancies especially around the routine testing requirements.</p>
<p>(b) Routine testing of <u>relevant sub-systems</u> including applicable protection relays</p>	<p>As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u> On every event</p>			<p>Alternative Method: AEMO suggests an alternative method for monitoring this performance standard to be considered by the Panel (see Alternative Method as indicated). This method aims to consolidate (and therefore replace) Methods 1, 2 and 3.</p>
<p>Method 2: (a) Routine testing of <u>relevant sub-systems</u> including: i. Injection of simulated signals (secondary injection) to demonstrate correct operation of the protection ii. Repair or recalibrate protection relays as required (b) Investigate unit trips</p>	<p>On every event</p>		<p>Plant performance complies with the clearance times in the Generator Performance Standard</p>	
<p>Method 3: (a) Performance is monitored, in-service, where data is available</p>	<p>At each major overhaul; and/or every 5 years by routine functional testing of unit electrical protection systems and verification of database registered protection settings to occur annually</p>	<p>Applicable for wind farms. Changes to turbine control parameters will be controlled such that the performance of the generating system and generating units is not compromised in relation to the generator performance standard. Appropriate to use where data is available.</p>	<p>Performance is confirmed by the generating system remaining synchronised during power system disturbance conditions where required under a Provision of the Rules Performance will be assessed against the performance standard requirements following a unit trip as a result of a relevant system event in which the unit should have remained synchronised</p>	<p>Method 1: If the Panel is to retain this method, the AEMO suggests an amendment to the 'Basis for compliance assessment' section (as indicated). Method 3: If the Panel also decides to retain this method, then</p>

<p>(b) Routine testing of <u>relevant sub-systems</u> including protection system relays, between the generating unit terminals but within the generating system shall be tested by secondary injection</p> <p>Alternative Method:</p> <p>(a) Routine testing of <u>relevant sub-systems</u> including (but not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Injection of simulated signals (secondary injection) to demonstrate correct operation of the protection ii. Repair or recalibrate protection relays as required <p>and either:</p> <p>(b) Investigate any unit trips for units above 30 MW; OR</p> <p>(c) Continuous monitoring using high speed recorders</p>	<p>As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u></p>		<p>AEMO considers that it would not be viable to select the method if the relevant data is not available. AEMO therefore suggests an amendment to the wording (as indicated).</p>
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Protection systems that Impacts on Power System Security

(as required under S5.2.5.9 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology	Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
<p>Method 1:</p> <p>(a) Routine testing of protection systems including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. CB opening times; ii. Protection relay injection testing. <p>(b) Confirmation from fault recorder records of actual performance</p>	<p>As appropriate to the technology of the protection system</p> <p>Every trip event</p>	<p>Directly Measurable</p>	<p>Achieve performance standard</p>	<p>Methods 1, 2, and 3 for this performance standard follow similar principles</p> <p>AEMO suggests that the Panel look to consolidate these to avoid minor wording discrepancies especially around the routine testing requirements.</p> <p>Alternative Method: AEMO suggests an alternative method for monitoring this performance standard to be considered</p>
<p>Method 2:</p> <p>(a) Routine testing of <u>relevant sub-systems</u> including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. protection system testing by secondary injection ii. Redundancy of primary protection systems iii. Timing of trip signal issued by the breaker 	<p>As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u></p>		<p>That all protection relays operate satisfactorily and to within design tolerance of setting value</p>	

<p>system</p> <p>(b) Assessment of protection system performance in the event of protection system operation.</p> <p>Method 3:</p> <p>(a) Performance is monitored, in-service, where data is available. if appropriate data is not currently available, additional on-line data logging facilities to be considered</p> <p>(b) Relevant testing of any <u>relevant sub-systems</u> including protection system relays shall be tested by secondary injection</p> <p>(c) Verification of database registered protection settings to occur in conjunction with injection testing</p> <p>Alternative Method:</p> <p>(a) Routine testing of relevant sub-systems including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Injection of simulated signals (secondary injection) to demonstrate correct operation of the protection ii. CB opening times; iii. Redundancy of primary protection systems iv. Timing of trip signal issued by the 	<p>On every event</p> <p>At each major overhaul; and/or every 5 years by routine functional testing of unit electrical protection systems and verification of database registered protection settings to occur annually</p> <p>As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u></p>	<p>Changes to turbine control parameters will be controlled such that the performance of the generating system and generating units is not compromised in relation to the GPS</p>	<p>That protection system is operated in accordance with design and the Performance Standard</p> <p>Performance is confirmed by assessing operation of protection systems against the requirements of the standard when a generating unit trips as a result of fault occurring between the generating unit stator and the connection point</p> <p>Performance will be assessed against the performance standard requirements following a unit trip as a result of a relevant system event in which the unit should have remained synchronised</p>	<p>by the Panel (see Alternative Method as indicated). This method aims to consolidate (and therefore replace) Methods 1, 2 and 3.</p> <p>Method 3:</p> <p>If the Panel also decides to retain this method, then AEMO believes that it should not be utilised if the on-line data is not available. AEMO therefore suggests an amendment to the wording (as indicated).</p>
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<p>breaker fail protection system and either: (b) confirmation from fault recorder records or protection relay records; OR (c) Continuous monitoring using high speed recorders</p>				
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Asynchronous operation of synchronous generating units / Protection to Trip Plant for unstable operation
(as required under S5.2.5.10 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology	Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
<p>Method 1: (a) Routine testing of <u>relevant sub-systems</u> including protection system testing by secondary injection (b) Assessment of protection system performance in the event of protection system operation or of asynchronous operation</p>	<p>As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u> On every event</p>		<p>That all protection relays operate satisfactorily and to within design tolerance of setting value That protection system is operated in accordance with design and the Performance Standard</p>	

Frequency Control
(as required under S5.2.5.11 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology	Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
<p>Method 1: Monitor in-service performance using high speed frequency data</p>	<p>On every event</p>	<p>Assessment takes into account inertial response, overall governor droop setting etc</p>	<p>Appropriate to use where high speed monitors are available and models have been used in establishing compliance</p>	<p>As suggested earlier, AEMO considers that the monitoring methods used in Methods 2, 3 and 4 from S5.2.5.3 – Frequency Disturbance may be incorporated into the testing and monitoring methodology for this standard. Methods 1 and 2: AEMO suggests an amendment to the ‘Basis for compliance assessment’</p>
<p>Method 2: Assessment of governor system performance during events involving significant variation to system frequency</p>			<p>Achieve performance standard or confirm modelled performance to actual Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available</p> <p>That governor system response is within the tolerance specified by the Performance Standards</p>	

<p>Method 3: (a) Analytical simulation of turbine and governor systems (b) Assess generator response to disturbances using high speed recording data</p>	<p>Type Test permissible where multiple units are involved Ongoing</p>		<p>Achieve performance standard or confirm modelled performance to actual Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available</p>	<p>section (as indicated).</p>
<p>Method 4: (a) Step response test of the governor to test damping and droop characteristics (b) Routine Calibration Tests</p>	<p>Every 4 years Every 4 years</p>		<p>Plant performance complies with the Generator Performance Standard</p>	

Stability / Impact on Network Capability
(as required under S5.2.5.12 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology	Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
<p>Method 1: (a) Monitor in-service performance for relevant performance characteristics not otherwise tested (b) Routine monitoring and testing of relevant sub-systems, including suitable testing to confirm power system stabilizer performance (if relevant)</p>	<p>Following plant changes As appropriate to the technology of the relevant sub-system</p>	<p>Generator can only be held responsible for ensuring the performance of their generating system as it contributes to meeting this standard</p>	<p>Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available</p>	<p>Inline with AEMO's response to Principle 8 in the main section of this submission, AEMO considers that a Generator should be held responsible for overall compliance to its own model. Method 1: AEMO suggests an amendment to the 'Basis for compliance assessment' section (as indicated).</p>

Excitation control system / Voltage and Reactive Power Control
(as required under S5.2.5.13 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
Method 1: (a) Monitoring in-service performance (b) Standard AVR testing – Step response		Every 4 years		Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available	AEMO would like clarification on the differences between Methods 2 and 3. Alternative Method: AEMO has developed an alternative method for monitoring this performance standard to be considered by the Panel (see Alternative Method as indicated). This method has been developed as a replacement for Methods 2 and 3.
Method 2: (a) AVR step response tests (b) AVR step response test of OEL and UEL operation (c) AVR and PSS transfer function measurements over required frequency range		Every 4 years		Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available	Alternative Method: AEMO has developed an alternative method for monitoring this performance standard to be considered by the Panel (see Alternative Method as indicated). This method has been developed as a replacement for Methods 2 and 3.
Method 3: (a) Transfer function measurements (b) Step response tests with the unit unsynchronised and at full load (c) Assess the stability of limiter operation (d) Monitoring in-service performance		Every 4 years		Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available	Alternative Method: AEMO has developed an alternative method for monitoring this performance standard to be considered by the Panel (see Alternative Method as indicated). This method has been developed as a replacement for Methods 2 and 3.
Method 4: Performance of relevant sub-systems will be monitored using the following systems: digital protection relays; other data-logging equipment as required		As appropriate to the technology of the relevant sub-system	Applicable for Wind Farms. Changes to turbine control parameters will be controlled such that the performance of the generating system and generating units is not compromised in relation to the GPS.	Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available	Alternative Method: AEMO has developed an alternative method for monitoring this performance standard to be considered by the Panel (see Alternative Method as indicated). This method has been developed as a replacement for Methods 2 and 3.
Alternative Method: (a) Step response tests with the unit unsynchronised and at full load (b) Assess the stability of limiter operation And either (c) Monitoring in-service performance; OR (d) Transfer function measurements				Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available	Alternative Method: AEMO has developed an alternative method for monitoring this performance standard to be considered by the Panel (see Alternative Method as indicated). This method has been developed as a replacement for Methods 2 and 3.

Active Power Control
(as required under S5.2.5.14 in versions 13-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
Method 1: One off installation		Assess when changes are made			Alternative Method: AEMO has developed an alternative method for monitoring this performance standard to be considered by the Panel (see Alternative Method as indicated).
Alternative Method: Monitor non-compliance with dispatch from market systems					

Remote Monitoring
(as required under S5.2.6.1 in versions 1-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment
Method 1: (a) Calibration of Transducers		Following <u>plant change</u> and every 5 years		Confirmation at each end of the communications system by both parties
(b) Verification of the accuracy of transmitted data				
Method 2: (a) SCADA monitored values and farm panel metering will be routinely checked (b) The calibration of transducers and Wind Farm panel metering will be checked		Every 5 years At each major outage or once every 5 years	Applicable for Wind Farms	

Communications Equipment
(as required under S5.2.6.3 in versions 1-12 of the Rules, and S5.2.6.2 in versions 13-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment
Method 1: One off installation		Assess when changes are made		Direct comparison with rules requirements

Power Station Auxiliary Transformers / Supplies

(as required under S5.2.8 in versions 1-12 of the Rules, and S5.2.7 in versions 13-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
Method 1: (a) Metering of active and reactive power at the auxiliary supply connection point (b) Testing of any <u>relevant sub-systems</u> including capacitor banks and circuit breakers	Every 4 years	Only applicable when auxiliary supplies are taken from some other point different to generator connection point. Access Standards must be established under clause S5.3.5.	Power factor, quality of supply and protection and control requirements within allowable range / specification	Performance to specification	Method 1: AEMO suggests an amendment to the 'Basis for compliance assessment' section (as indicated).
	As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u>	This standard only applies to generating systems that takes auxiliary supplies from a separate supply. Unit auxiliary supplies on wind farms are taken from within connection point when units are online. Very small wind farm station service auxiliary load requirements are considered negligible under NEM CMP requirements.			
Method 2: Performance will be monitored as part of condition monitoring and maintenance routines					

Fault Level / Current

(as required under S5.2.9 in versions 1-12 of the Rules, and S5.2.8 in versions 13-26 of the Rules)

Suitable testing and monitoring methodology		Frequency	Notes	Basis for compliance assessment	AEMO Comments
Method 1: (a) Monitoring in-service performance during faults near the connection point (b) Review and recalculation of fault levels	Review following any event		Calculation confirms current fault current contribution		Method 3: AEMO suggests an amendment to the 'Basis for compliance assessment' section (as indicated).
	Following <u>plant</u>				

<p>(c) Routine testing of any <u>relevant sub-systems</u></p>	<p>change As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u></p>		<p>for compliance assessment' section (as indicated).</p>
<p>Method 2: (a) Modelling and simulation of plant characteristics to make sure the plant is capable of meeting agreed standards (b) Monitoring of generator contribution on fault event</p>	<p>Following <u>plant change</u> Review following any event</p>	<p>Calculation confirms current fault current contribution</p>	
<p>Method 3: (a) Performance of <u>relevant sub-systems</u> will be monitored using the following systems: digital protection relays; other data-logging equipment as required (b) Where recorded data is available, comparison to be made of measured fault currents and computer simulations</p> <p>(c) Review and recalculation of fault levels</p>	<p>As appropriate to the technology of the <u>relevant sub-system</u> Following a fault Following <u>plant change</u></p>	<p>Achieve performance standard Consistency of operation with plant models used to establish initial compliance if the models are available; OR consistency with past performance only if the models are not available</p>	