

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

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.

John Pierce Chairman Australian Energy Market Commission

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1 Title of Rule

This Rule is the *Draft National Electricity 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 Electricity Rules

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

4 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

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

5 Savings and Transitional Amendment 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 7.8.10 Metering installation malfunctions

In clause 7.8.10(a), omit ":" after "a connection point with".

[2] Clause 7.8.10 Metering installation malfunctions

Omit clause 7.8.10(aa)(1) and substitute:

- (1) a *metering installation* at a *small customer's* premises, cause repairs to be made to the *metering installation* as soon as practicable but no later than:
 - (i) subject to subparagraph (ii), 15 business days after the Metering Coordinator has been notified of the metering installation malfunction; or
 - (ii) 30 business days after the Metering Coordinator has become aware that repairing the metering installation requires interrupting supply to another retail customer; or

[3] Clause 7.8.10 Metering installation malfunctions

Omit clause 7.8.10(aa)(2), except for the note, and substitute:

- (2) a *metering installation* other than the installations referred to in paragraph (a) or subparagraph (aa)(1), cause repairs to be made to the *metering installation* as soon as practicable but no later than:
 - (i) subject to subparagraph (ii), 10 business days after the Metering Coordinator has been notified of the metering installation malfunction; or
 - (ii) 30 business days after the Metering Coordinator has become aware that repairing the metering installation requires interrupting supply to another retail customer.

[4] Clause 7.8.10A Timeframes for meters to be installed – new connection

Omit clause 7.8.10A(c), except for the note, and substitute:

- (c) Subject to the reapplication of paragraph (b):
 - (1) on and from the date that an exception under paragraph (b), excluding subparagraph (b)(3), ceases to apply, the *retailer* must arrange for the *meter* to be installed:
 - (i) by a new date agreed with the *small customer*; or

- (ii) failing agreement, on a date no later than 6 *business days* from the date that the exception ceases to apply; or
- (2) where the exception under subparagraph (b)(3) solely applies, the *small customer's retailer* must arrange for a *meter* to be installed on a date no later than 30 *business days* from the date the *retailer* becomes aware that installing the *meter* requires interrupting *supply* to another *retail customer*.

[5] Clause 7.8.10B Timeframes for meters to be installed – where a connection service is not required

Omit clause 7.8.10B(c), except for the note, and substitute:

- (c) Subject to the reapplication of paragraph (b):
 - (1) on and from the date that an exception under paragraph (b), excluding subparagraph (b)(3), ceases to apply, the *retailer* must arrange for the *meter* to be installed:
 - (i) by a new date agreed with the *small customer*; or
 - (ii) failing agreement, on a date no later than 15 *business days* from the date that the exception ceases to apply; or
 - (2) where the exception under subparagraph (b)(3) solely applies, the *small customer's retailer* must arrange for a *meter* to be installed on a date no later than 30 *business days* from the date the *retailer* becomes aware that installing the *meter* requires interrupting *supply* to another *retail customer*.

[6] Clause 7.8.10C Timeframes for meters to be installed – where a connection alteration is required

Omit clause 7.8.10C(c), except for the note, and substitute:

- (c) Subject to the reapplication of paragraph (b):
 - (1) on and from the date that an exception under paragraph (b), excluding subparagraph (b)(3), ceases to apply, the *retailer* must arrange for the *meter* to be installed:
 - (i) by a new date agreed with the *small customer*, and the *Distribution Network Service Provider* where the *Distribution Network Service Provider* is providing the *connection alteration*; or
 - (ii) failing agreement, on a date no later than 15 *business days* from the date that the exception ceases to apply;

- (2) where the exception under subparagraph (b)(3) solely applies, the *small customer's retailer* must arrange for a *meter* to be installed on a date no later than 30 *business days* from the date the *retailer* becomes aware that installing the *meter* requires interrupting *supply* to another *retail customer*; and
- (3) where a *Distribution Network Service Provider* is providing the *connection alteration*, it must co-ordinate the *connection alteration*, with the *retailer* and other relevant parties, in order to allow the *retailer* to meet its obligation under subparagraph (c)(1) or (c)(2) as applicable.

[7] Clause 11.86.7 Metering Coordinator for type 5 or 6 metering installation from effective date

Omit clause 11.86.7(g)(3), except for the note, and substitute:

(3) must promptly notify the *financially responsible Market Participant* of a *metering installation malfunction* which occurs to a *metering installation* other than the installations referred to in clause 7.8.10(a) of new Chapter 7, and must include relevant information in that notice if the *Metering Coordinator* is aware that repairing the *meter* requires interrupting *supply* to another *retail customer*.

Schedule 2 Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 4)

[1] Clause 7.16.3 Requirements of the metrology procedure

Omit clause 7.16.3(c)(7) and substitute:

- (7) requirements relating to the identification and recording of shared fuse arrangements for multiple *connection points* (shared fuse arrangements), including requirements:
 - (i) for *financially responsible Market Participants* and *Metering Coordinators* to notify the *Local Network Service Provider* of *connection points* with shared fuse arrangements as soon as practicable after becoming aware of the shared fuse arrangements;
 - (ii) for *Local Network Service Providers* to record all *connection points* with shared fuse arrangements as soon as practicable after becoming aware of the shared fuse arrangements;
 - (iii) relating to the information to be recorded for all *connection points* with shared fuse arrangements;
 - (iv) relating to the management of shared fuse arrangements information; and
 - (v) relating to access to shared fuse arrangements information; and
- (8) other matters in the *Rules* required to be included in the *metrology procedure*.

Schedule 3 Savings and Transitional Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

(Clause 5)

[1] Chapter 11 Savings and Transitional Amendment to the National Electricity Rules

After Part ZZZ[X], insert a new Part ZZZ[X]:

Part ZZZ[X] Introduction of metering coordinator planned interruptions

11.XXX Rules consequential on the making of the National Electricity Amendment (Introduction of metering coordinator planned interruptions) Rule 2020

11.XXX.1 Definitions

For the purposes of this rule 11.XXX:

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

commencement date means the date of commencement of Schedules 1 and 3 of the Amending Rule.

11.XXX.2 Amendments of the metrology procedure

- (a) As soon as practicable after the commencement date, and in accordance with the *Rules consultation procedures*, *AEMO* must amend and *publish* the *metrology procedure* to take into account the Amending Rule.
- (b) If, prior to the commencement date, and for the purposes of amending the *metrology procedure* in anticipation of the Amending Rule, *AEMO* undertook a consultation, step, decision or action equivalent to that required in the *Rules consultation procedures*, then that consultation, step, decision or action is taken to satisfy the equivalent consultation, step, decision or action under the *Rules consultation procedures*.

11.XXX.3 Market Settlement and Transfer Solutions Procedures

- (a) As soon as practicable after the commencement date, and in accordance with the *Rules consultation procedures*, *AEMO* must amend and *publish* the *Market Settlement and Transfer Solution Procedures* to take into account the Amending Rule.
- (b) If, prior to the commencement date, and for the purposes of developing the *Market Settlement and Transfer Solution Procedures* in anticipation of the Amending Rule, *AEMO* undertook a

consultation, step, decision or action equivalent to that required in the *Rules consultation procedures*, then that consultation, step, decision or action is taken to satisfy the equivalent consultation, step, decision or action under the *Rules consultation procedures*.