

**Electricity Industry (Exemption No. 157
(New Zealand Steel Limited)) Exemption
Notice 2012**

Pursuant to section 11 of the Electricity Industry Act 2010 (“Act”), the Electricity Authority (“Authority”) gives the following notice.

Notice

1. Title and commencement—(1) This notice is the Electricity Industry (Exemption No. 157 (New Zealand Steel Limited)) Exemption Notice 2012.

(2) This notice comes into force on **1 October 2012**.

2. Exemption—(1) New Zealand Steel Limited (“NZ Steel”) is exempted from compliance with clause 8.19(5) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 (“Code”) and clauses 7(1), 7(8) and 7(9) of Technical Code B of Schedule 8.3 of the Code.

(2) This exemption applies only to grid exit points GLN0331 and GLN0332.

3. Term—This exemption expires at the earlier of:

- (a) the close of **30 September 2015**; and
- (b) the date notified by the Authority on which a revised automatic under-frequency load shedding (“AUFLS”) regime takes effect.

4. Reasons for granting the exemption—The reasons for granting this exemption are:

- (a) The current regime for AUFLS provision is under review and may result in a change to the AUFLS requirements. If NZ Steel were required to install additional AUFLS relays at this stage, the relays would very likely become redundant within a short period of time;
- (b) there would be adverse practical effects if the exemption was not granted and no adverse practical effects if the exemption was granted; and
- (c) granting the exemption meets the requirements of section 11(2) of the Act.

Dated at Wellington this 6th day of September 2012.

For and on behalf of the Electricity Authority:

DR THOMAS BRENT LAYTON, Chairperson, Electricity Authority.

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