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## **Electricity Industry Participation Code (Connected Asset Commissioning, Testing and Information Standard) Amendment 2026**

This amendment to the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 (Code) is made under section 38 of the Electricity Industry Act 2010 (Act) by the Electricity Authority having complied with section 39 of the Act.

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### Amendment

#### 1 Title

This is the Electricity Industry Participation Code (Connected Asset Commissioning, Testing and Information Standard) Amendment 2026.

#### 2 Commencement

This amendment comes into force on 1 July 2026.

#### 3 Code amended

This amendment amends the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010.

## Part 1

### Amendments to Part 1 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code

#### 4 Clause 1.1 amended (Interpretation)

- (1) In clause 1.1(1), insert in their appropriate alphabetical order:

**connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** means the connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard that is incorporated by reference in this Code under clause 8.73

**high-speed monitor** means a device capable of capturing and storing high-resolution waveform data of voltage and current signals during power system events or disturbances, with sufficient sampling frequency and accuracy to support detailed analysis of power system behaviour

- (2) In clause 1.1(1), definition of **asset capability statement**, replace “2(5)” with “2(2)”.

- (3) In clause 1.1(1), definition of **System operation document**,—

(a) replace “**System operation document**” with “**system operation document**”; and

(b) insert after paragraph (f):

(g) the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**

- (4) In clause 1.1(1), revoke the definitions of **maximum continuous rating** and **scaling factor**.

## Part 2

### Amendments to Part 7 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code

#### 5 Clause 7.15 amended (Review of policy statement and procurement plan)

- (1) In clause 7.15, replace subclause (1) with:
  - (1) The **system operator** must review the following **system operation documents** at least once every 2 years to identify whether the document should be amended:
    - (a) the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**;
    - (b) the **policy statement**;
    - (c) the **procurement plan**.
  - (2) In clause 7.15, insert after subclause (1):
    - (1A) The **system operator** may review a **system operation document** not referred to in subclause (1) at any time.
  - (3) In clause 7.15(2):
    - (a) replace paragraph (a) with:
      - (a) if the previous review does not result in an amendment being made, the date the **system operator** advised the **Authority** of that decision under clause 7.15(3)(b); or
      - (b) in paragraph (b), replace “a review” with “the previous review”.

## Part 3

### Amendments to Part 8 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code

#### 6 Clause 8.4 amended (System operator may rely on information provided)

In clause 8.4(b), replace “and the **technical codes**” with “, the **technical codes**, and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”:

#### 7 Clause 8.7 amended (System operator must not contract contrary to this arrangement)

In clause 8.7, replace “and the **technical codes**” with “, the **technical codes**, and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.

#### 8 Clause 8.21 amended (Excluded generating stations)

Replace clause 8.21(2) with:

- (2) Whether likely to be an **excluded generating station** or not, a **generator** must provide the **system operator** with written advice of its intention to connect to the **grid** or directly or indirectly to a **local network** a **generating station** with one or more **generating units** with a rated net maximum capacity equal to or greater than 1 MW (alternating current (a.c.) capacity), together with the information relating to the **generating unit** or **generating station** in accordance with clause 8.25(4).

#### 9 Clause 8.25 amended (Other asset owner performance obligations and technical standards)

- (1) Replace clause 8.25(3) with:

- (3) Each **asset owner** and each **purchaser** must provide communication facilities that comply with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.
- (2) Replace clause 8.25(4) with:
- (4) Each **asset owner** and each **purchaser** must provide information to the **system operator** that complies with the **technical codes** and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.
- (3) In clause 8.25(5)(a)(ii), replace “agreed between the **system operator** and the **embedded generator**” with “specified in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.
- (4) Replace clause 8.25(7) with:
- (7) If the **Authority** approves the **system operator’s** request under subclause (6), the **embedded generator** must provide the information in accordance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.

#### **10 Clause 8.27 amended (System operator to monitor compliance)**

- (1) Replace clause 8.27(1) with:
- (1) To the extent possible, given the information made available by **asset owners**, the **system operator** must monitor, in the manner set out in the **policy statement**, which for the avoidance of doubt, sets out the **system operator’s** only monitoring obligations under this subpart, the ongoing compliance of **asset owners** with the **asset owner performance obligations**, the **technical codes**, and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.
- (2) In clause 8.27(2), insert “or provisions of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**” after “**technical codes**” in each place.
- (3) In clause 8.27(3), insert “or provisions of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**” after “**technical codes**” in each place.

#### **11 Clause 8.28 amended (Responsibility for compliance)**

- (1) Replace clause 8.28(1) with:
- (1) Each **asset owner** must comply with the **asset owner performance obligations**, **technical codes**, and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** at all times and must satisfy the **system operator**, whenever requested by the **system operator** acting reasonably, that each of its **assets** or configuration of **assets** complies with the **asset owner performance obligations**, **technical codes**, and provisions of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** that apply to that **asset** or configuration of **assets**.
- (2) In clause 8.28(3), replace “and **technical codes**” with “, **technical codes**, and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.

#### **12 Clause 8.29 amended (Right to apply for approval of equivalence arrangement or grant of dispensation)**

In clause 8.29(1), replace “or a **technical code** obligation” with “, a **technical code** obligation, or a **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** obligation”.

- 13 Clause 8.30 amended (Approval of equivalence arrangements)**  
In clause 8.30, replace “or **technical code**” with “, **technical code** obligation, or **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** obligation”.
- 14 Clause 8.31 amended (Grant of dispensations)**  
In clause 8.31(1), replace “or **technical code**” with “, a **technical code** obligation, or **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** obligation”.
- 15 Clause 8.32 amended (Liability of asset owner pending decision)**  
In clause 8.32, replace “or the **technical codes**” with “, the **technical codes**, or the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.
- 16 Clause 8.34 amended (Cancellation of equivalence arrangement or dispensation)**  
In clause 8.34(1), replace “or **technical codes**” with “, **technical codes**, or the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.
- 17 Clause 8.37 amended (Other provisions relating to equivalence arrangements and dispensations)**  
In clause 8.37(3), replace “and **technical codes**” with “, **technical codes**, or the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.
- 18 Clause 8.38 amended (Authority may require excluded generating stations to comply with certain clauses)**  
In clause 8.38(1), replace “and the provisions of the **technical codes** (or parts thereof)” with “the provisions of the **technical codes** (or parts thereof), and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** (or parts thereof)”.
- 19 New Subpart 7 inserted**  
Insert new Subpart 7 of Part 8 as set out in the Schedule of this amendment.
- 20 Schedule 8.1, clause 2 amended**  
In Schedule 8.1, clause 2(b), insert “obligation or **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** obligation” after “**technical code**”.
- 21 Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, clause 2 amended**
- (1) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, replace clause 2(1)(c) with:  
(c) it meets any requirements of the **system operator** identified in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.
  - (2) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, revoke clause 2(2).
  - (3) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, revoke clause 2(2A).
  - (4) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, replace clause 2(3) with:  
(3) On, or before, completion of **commissioning** of an **asset** or configuration of **assets**, the **asset owner** must obtain a final assessment of the **asset** or configuration of **assets** in writing from the **system operator** in accordance with the requirements set out in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.

- (5) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, clause 2(4), delete the first sentence.
- (6) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, replace clause 2(5) with:
- (5) Each **asset owner** must provide the **system operator** with an **asset capability statement** in accordance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**—
- (a) for each **asset** that is—
    - (i) proposed to be connected, or is connected to, or forms part of the **grid**; or
    - (ii) proposed to be connected, or is connected directly or indirectly to a **local network**; and
  - (b) for each **asset**, where the **asset owner** is a **generator**, that—
    - (i) forms part or all of a **generating station** with a capacity equal to or greater than the threshold specified in clause 8.21(1) at the **point of connection** to the **network**; or
    - (ii) forms part or all of a **generating unit** with a capacity equal to or greater than the threshold specified in clause 8.21(2) at the **point of connection** to the **network**.
- (7) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, revoke clause 2(5A).
- (8) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, replace clause 2(6) with:
- (6) Each **asset owner** must provide a **commissioning** plan or test plan to the **system operator** in compliance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.
- (9) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, revoke clause 2(7).
- (10) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, revoke clause 2(8).
- (11) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, clause 2(9), insert “;” after “Once assessed by the **system operator**”.
- (12) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, insert after clause 2(9):
- (10) Each **asset owner** must—
- (a) carry out connection studies for each **asset** in accordance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**; and
  - (b) provide connection study reports to the **system operator** in compliance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**; and
  - (c) ensure that modelling information is provided to the **system operator** in compliance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**; and
  - (d) provide a model to the **system operator** in compliance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** that can be used for the network models in clause 8.25A(3)(a).
- (11) The obligation in subclause (10)(c) to ensure that modelling information is provided to the **system operator** and any related obligation on an **asset owner** to provide modelling information to the **system operator** in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** may be met by the **asset owner** arranging for an original equipment manufacturer to provide the information to the **system operator** directly.

**22 Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, clause 3 amended**

- (1) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, revoke clause 3(1).
- (2) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, insert after clause 3(2):
  - (2A) The **system operator** must—
    - (a) store the information provided under clause 2(10)(c) in a secure server that is accessible only to **system operator** employees, contractors or advisers that require access to the information to perform their roles; and
    - (b) treat the information provided under clause 2(10)(c) as confidential to the party that provided the information except as required by law; and
    - (c) ensure that it has systems, policies, procedures and confidentiality obligations in place for the purpose of ensuring, as far as reasonably possible, that any person given or who has access to information in accordance with paragraph (a) does not disclose the information to any other person, except persons given access to that information in accordance with paragraph (a) or as required by law.
- (3) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, revoke clause 3(3).

**23 Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, clause 7 amended**

- (1) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, replace clause 7(1) with:
  - (1) Subject to subclause (1B), **assets** that are modified, or are proposed to be modified, are—
    - (a) to be treated as new **assets** for the purposes of this Code and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**; and
    - (b) are subject to the requirements for connection to the **grid** and the requirements for **commissioning assets** in this Code and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.
  - (1A) For the purposes of this Schedule, the following are considered to be modifications to **assets**, if the new connection or alteration may affect the capacity of the **assets** or may affect **asset owner performance obligations, technical code** requirements or requirements in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**:
    - (a) a new connection of **assets** to the **grid** or a **local network**;
    - (b) a new connection of **assets** to form part of the **grid**;
    - (c) a new connection of an **embedded generator** to a **local network** other than an **excluded generator** as defined in clause 8.21(1);
    - (d) an alteration to **assets** already connected to the **grid** or, in the case of an **embedded generator**, already connected to a **local network**.
- (2) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, insert before clause 7(2):
  - (1B) Subclause (1) does not apply in respect of the requirements in Chapter 4 of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.
  - (1C) If an **asset owner** reasonably considers that a modification to an **asset** materially affects the **asset's** capability, the **asset owner** must advise the **system operator** as soon as reasonably practicable.
  - (1D) If, in respect of an **asset** notified under subclause (1C), the **system operator** reasonably considers it necessary, the **system operator**—

- (a) may require that an **asset owner** provide updated modelling information for that **asset** in accordance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**; and
  - (b) must advise the **asset owner** in writing of this requirement as soon as it is made.
- (3) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, replace clause 7(2) with:
- (2) If an **asset owner** proposes or intends to decommission an **asset**, the **asset owner** must provide the **system operator** with a **decommissioning** plan for that **asset** and give written notice to the **system operator** in accordance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.

#### 24 Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, clause 8 amended

- (1) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, clause 8(1), replace “and this **technical code**” with “, this **technical code**, and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.
- (2) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, in the chapeau of clause 8(2)—
  - (a) replace “2(6) to (8)” with “2(6), 2(8), and 2(10)”;
  - (b) delete “carry out periodic testing”.
- (3) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, clause 8(2)(a)—
  - (a) insert “carry out periodic testing” before “of its **assets**”;
  - (b) replace “Appendix B” with “the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**; and”.
- (4) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, insert after clause 8(2)(b):
  - (c) provide **high-speed monitors** that comply with the requirements specified in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.
- (2A) Each **asset owner** with one or more **generating units** commissioned before 1 January 2016 for which wind is the primary power source must complete the first of each test required under subclause (2)(a) for those **generating units** no later than 31 December 2028.
- (5) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, replace clause 8(3) with:
- (3) If the **system operator** advises an **asset owner** that it reasonably believes that an **asset** may not comply with an **asset owner performance obligation** or this **technical code**, the **asset owner** must advise the **system operator** and undertake remedial action or testing of its **assets** in accordance with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.

#### 25 Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, Appendix B revoked

In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code A, revoke Appendix B: Routine testing of assets and automatic under-frequency load shedding systems.

#### 26 Schedule 8.3, Technical Code B, clause 7 amended

- (1) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code B, clause 7(9), replace “clauses 6 and 7 of Appendix B of Technical Code A” with “Chapter 7 of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.

- (2) In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code B, clause 7(9A), replace “clauses 6 and 7 of Appendix B of Technical Code A” with “Chapter 7 of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.

**27 Schedule 8.3, Technical Code C revoked**

In Schedule 8.3, revoke Technical Code C — Operational communications.

## **Part 4**

### **Amendments to Part 12 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code**

**28 Clause 12.112 amended (Exceptions to clause 12.111)**

- (1) In clause 12.112(1)(ea)(i)(A)—
- (a) insert “provided to and” after “**commissioning plan**”; and
  - (b) replace “under clause 2(6) to (9)” with “in accordance with clause 2(6) and (9)”.
- (2) In clause 12.112(1)(ea)(i)(B),—
- (a) insert “and agreed with” after “provided to”; and
  - (b) replace “under clause 2(6) to (9)” with “in accordance with clause 2(6) and (9)”.

**29 Schedule 12.4, clause 10 amended**

In Schedule 12.4, clause 10(4)(e), replace “Technical Code C of Schedule 8.3 of this Code” with “under the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.

**30 Schedule 12.6, paragraph 37.3 amended**

In Schedule 12.6, paragraph 37.3(b)(1), replace “clause 2(f)” with “clause 2(5)”.

## **Part 5**

### **Amendments to Part 13 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code**

**31 Clause 13.29 amended (Standing data on grid capability to be provided to system operator)**

In clause 13.29—

- (a) insert “the **system operator with asset capability statement**” after “obligations to provide”; and
- (b) delete “clauses 2(5) and (6) and 3(1) of”; and
- (c) insert “and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**” after “Schedule 8.3”.

**32 Clause 13.30 amended (Standing data on HVDC capability to be provided to system operator)**

(1) In clause 13.30(1)—

- (a) insert “the **system operator with asset capability statement**” after “obligations to provide”; and
- (b) delete “clauses 2(5) and (6), and 3(1) of”; and

- (c) insert “and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**” after “Schedule 8.3”.
  - (2) In clause 13.30(3)(a), replace “clause 2(6) to (9)” with “clause 2(6) and (9)” in each place.
- 33 Clause 13.31 amended (Standing data on transformer capability to be provided to system operator)**  
In clause 13.31—
- (a) insert “the **system operator with asset capability statement**” after “obligations to provide”; and
  - (b) delete “clauses 2(5) and (6), and 3(1) of”; and
  - (c) insert “and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**” after “Schedule 8.3”.
- 34 Clause 13.32 replaced (Transmission grid capability information to be updated)**  
Replace clause 13.32 with:

**13.32 Transmission grid capability information to be updated**

In addition to the **asset owner** obligations to provide the **system operator** with **asset capability statement** information under **Technical Code A** of Schedule 8.3 and the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**, and subject to that standard, each **grid owner** must submit to the **system operator** for each **trading period** of a **schedule period**, or for such longer period of time as agreed between the **system operator** and each **grid owner**, any updates to the information described in clauses 13.29 to 13.31 and 13.33(d).

- 35 Clause 13.33 amended (Grid owners must submit revised information to system operator)**  
In clause 13.33, replace—
- (a) “1 hour” with “one hour”; and
  - (b) “any timetable agreed with the **system operator** under clause 3(1) of **Technical Code A** of Schedule 8.3” with “any timetable requirements in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**”.

## Part 6

### Amendments to Part 17 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code

- 36 Clause 17.47 amended (Specific requirements for document transmission communication)**  
Revoke clause 17.47(2).

## Schedule New Subpart 7 of Part 8 inserted

### **Subpart 7—Connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**

#### **8.71 Contents of this subpart**

This subpart contains provisions relating to the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.

*Connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard*

#### **8.72 System operator to comply with connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**

The **system operator** must comply with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.

#### **8.73 Incorporation of connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard by reference**

- (1) The **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** is incorporated by reference in this Code.
- (2) Clauses 7.13 to 7.22 apply to any amendment or replacement of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**.

#### **8.74 Content of connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**

A **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** must set out the following requirements on **asset owners** which are to assist the **system operator** in planning to comply, and complying, with the **principal performance obligations** and achieving the **dispatch objective**:

- (a) the information that an **asset owner** must provide to the **system operator** relating to **commissioning** a new or existing **asset** or configuration of **assets** or **decommissioning assets**; and
- (b) the information, including any modelling information, that an **asset owner** must provide to the **system operator** in an **asset capability statement**; and
- (c) requirements for carrying out connection studies for an **asset** or configuration of **assets**; and
- (d) requirements for periodically testing an **asset** or configuration of **assets**; and
- (e) minimum requirements for operational communications between **asset owners** and the **system operator**; and
- (f) requirements for **high-speed monitors**; and
- (g) requirements for **asset owners** to provide information to the **system operator** to enable the **system operator** to assess the **grid interface**;

- (h) requirements for an **asset owner** to provide information to the **system operator** if an **asset owner** reasonably believes that an **asset** may not comply with an **asset owner performance obligation** or with **Technical Code A** of Schedule 8.3;
- (i) requirements on an **asset owner** to undertake remedial action or testing of its **assets** if the situation described in paragraph (h) arises;
- (j) time frames that an **asset owner** must meet in relation to any of the matters in paragraphs (a) to (i) or within which information must be provided under this Code; and
- (k) the manner and form in which information must be provided to the **system operator** or requirements that information is provided in a manner and form that is compatible with the **system operator's** systems, as advised by the **system operator**.

#### **8.75 Transitional provisions for the connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**

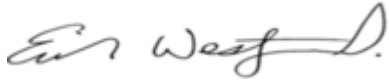
- (1) Subject to subclause (4) and clause 8.76, an **asset** that is first **electrically connected** to the **grid** or to a **local network** before 1 July 2026 meets the requirements of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** if—
  - (a) except as specified in any exemption, **dispensation, equivalence arrangement**, or in any agreement between the **asset owner** and the **system operator** made before 1 July 2026, the **asset** complied, and continues to comply, with the requirements in Part 8 of this Code as they applied immediately before this clause came into effect; and
  - (b) the **asset** is not able to comply, without modification, with one or more of the requirements in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**; and
  - (c) the **asset owner** updates the **asset capability statement** for the **asset** to record that this subclause applies to the **asset**.
- (2) Subject to subclauses (3) and (4), and clause 8.76, an **asset** that is first **electrically connected** to the **grid** or to a **local network** on or after 1 July 2026 and before 1 July 2027 meets the requirements of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** if—
  - (a) except as specified in any exemption, **dispensation, equivalence arrangement**, or in any agreement between the **asset owner** and **system operator** made before 1 July 2026, the **asset** complies, and continues to comply, with the requirements in Part 8 of this Code as they applied immediately before this clause came into effect; and
  - (b) the **asset** is not able to comply, without modification, with one or more of the requirements in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**; and
  - (c) the **asset owner** updates the **asset capability statement** for the **asset** to record that this subclause applies to the **asset**.
- (3) In order for subclause (2) to apply to an **asset**, the **asset owner** must confirm in writing to the **system operator** before 1 August 2026 that the following has occurred in respect of the **asset**—

- (a) the **asset owner** has secured financing that enables the **asset owner** to develop and **commission** the **asset**; and
  - (b) the **asset owner** has obtained all consents necessary to enable the **asset owner** to develop and **commission** the **asset**; and
  - (c) the **asset owner** has obtained rights to use the land on which the **asset** is to be located.
- (4) Subclauses (1) and (2) do not apply in respect of the following:
- (a) the time frame requirements in Chapter 1 of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**:
  - (b) the requirement in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** for **connected asset owners** to provide the **system operator** with indications and measurements in Chapter 8 of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard**:
  - (c) subject to subclause (5), an **asset** from the date a modification is made to the **asset** that results in a 5% or greater change to the **asset's**—
    - (i) **MW** rating; or
    - (ii) frequency response curve for 100 milliseconds or longer; or
    - (iii) voltage response curve for 100 milliseconds or longer.
- (5) Subclause (4)(c) does not apply if—
- (a) the **asset owner** and the **system operator**, acting reasonably, agree that subclause (1) or (2) should continue to apply to an **asset** notwithstanding the modification; or
  - (b) the modification is made so that one or more **generating units** comply with the maximum dead band requirement in clause 5(1)(c) of **Technical Code A**.
- (6) An **asset owner** must, as soon as practicable, update the **asset capability statement** for an **asset** to record when subclause (1) or (2) ceases to apply to the **asset**.
- (7) Each **connected asset owner** must comply with any obligation to provide the **system operator** with indications and measurements in accordance with Chapter 8 of the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** by 1 July 2027.

#### **8.76 Determination that there is a public benefit in the connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard applying to an asset**

- (1) If there is a **benefit to the public** in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** (or any part thereof) applying to an asset that would otherwise not have to comply with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** due to clause 8.75, the **system operator** may apply to the **Authority** for a determination under this clause.
- (2) The **Authority** must issue a determination under this clause if satisfied that there is a **benefit to the public** in the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** (or any part thereof) applying to the **asset** that is subject to the application.
- (3) If a determination is issued under this clause, the owner of the asset must comply with the **connected asset commissioning, testing and information standard** (or any part thereof) to the extent provided for, and with effect from the date specified, in the determination.

Made at Wellington on 26 May 2026



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### Explanatory Note

*This note is not part of the amendment but is intended to indicate its general effect.*

This amendment to the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 (Code) comes into force on 1 July 2026.

The amendment amends provisions in the Code relating to common quality and incorporates a new system operation document into the Code, the Connected Asset Commissioning, Testing and Information Standard. The Standard updates and replaces existing obligations in the Code relating to technical specifications for assets connected or connecting to the power system.

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