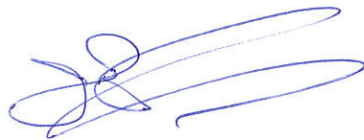


**Electricity Industry Participation (Automatic Under-Frequency
Load Shedding Systems) Code Amendment 2012**

Pursuant to section 38 and 40 of the Electricity Industry Act 2010, I make the following amendments to the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010.

At Wellington on the 20th day of November 2012



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Amendment

1 Title

This is the Electricity Industry Participation (Automatic Under-Frequency Load Shedding Systems) Amendment 2012.

2 Commencement and expiry

This amendment comes into force on 3 January 2013 and expires on 2 October 2013.

3 Code amended

This amendment amends the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010.

4 Schedule 8.3, Technical Code B, clause 7 amended (Load shedding systems)

In Schedule 8.3, Technical Code B, clause 7,—

(a) after subclause (9), insert:

"(9A) If the **system operator** considers that its ability to comply, or plan to comply, with the principal performance obligations may be at risk if 1 or more **participants** comply with subclauses (1) to (4) and (6), the **system operator** may publish a declaration to that effect.

"(9B) A declaration made under subclause (9A)—

"(a) must specify the period to which it applies:
and

"(b) may be revoked by the **system operator**."; and

(b) delete subclause (10); and

(c) in subclause (11),—

(i) at the beginning of the subclause, replace "When subclauses (12) to (16) apply, the" with "The";
and

(ii) after "circumstances, specified in the notice", insert:

"if—

"(a) a direction given under clause 9.15 is in force; or

"(b) a direction made under subclause 9A is in force"; and

(d) after subclause (12), insert:

"(12A) The **system operator** may give a notice to a **participant** under subclause (11)(b) only if—

"(a) the **system operator** has consulted the **participant** about the notice; and

"(b) the **participant** and the **system operator** agree that it is reasonably practicable for the **participant** to comply with the requirements of the notice.

"(12B) A **participant** who is given a notice under subclause (11)(b) must, during the period specified in the notice or in the circumstances specified in the notice, use reasonable endeavours to comply with the requirements of the notice."; and

- (e) at the beginning of subclause (13), replace ""When" with "Subject to subclause (12B), when"; and
- (f) in subclause (15), replace ", or revoke and substitute a new notice" with "given under subclause (11)"; and
- (g) replace subclause (16) with:

"(16) A notice given under subclause (11) expires on the earlier of—

"(a) the date (if any) specified in the notice for its expiry; or

"(b) the revocation or expiry of—

"(i) in the case of a notice given in relation to a direction given under clause 9.15, that direction; or

"(ii) in the case of a notice given in relation to a declaration made under subclause (9A), that declaration.

"(16A) If the **system operator** revokes a declaration made under subclause (9A), the **system operator** must, at the same time, give notice of the revocation to each **participant** to whom a notice was given under subclause (11)(b).

"(16B) If a notice given under subclause (11) expires or is revoked, the **participant** to whom the notice was given is not required to comply with subclauses (1) to (4) or (6) until—

"(a) a date agreed by the **system operator** and the **participant**; or

"(b) if a date cannot be agreed, a date specified by the **system operator**, which must give the **participant** a reasonable amount of time to comply with subclauses (1) to (4) and (6)."

Explanatory Note

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

This urgent amendment to the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 comes into effect on 3 January 2013 and expires on 2 October 2013. The amendment allows the system operator to modify the automatic under-frequency load shedding system requirements for

selected participants, in order to reduce the risk of an over-frequency event during the commissioning of Pole 3 of the HVDC link.

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