

Active exemptions table

The Electricity Authority Te Mana Hiko has granted the following exemptions / dispensations to the Electricity Industry Participation Code to industry participants.

Exemption number	Exemption	Industry participant	Effective date	Expiry date
175	New Zealand Aluminium Smelters Limited is exempted from the requirement in clause 14.5(c) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") that any third party guarantee be provided by a third party guarantor that maintains an acceptable credit rating as defined in clause 14.6 of the Code. This exemption applies only in respect of any guarantee provided by Meridian Energy Limited.	NZ Aluminium Smelters Limited	12/08/2013	31/12/2030
176	New Zealand Aluminium Smelters Limited ("NZAS") is exempted from complying with the following clauses of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code"), in respect of the local network at TWI2201: (a) clause 10.13(1); (b) clause 10.24(c); (c) clause 11.10; and (d) clause 15.38.	New Zealand Aluminium Smelters Limited	4/05/2018	31/12/2030
185	Contact Energy Limited ("Contact") is exempted from compliance with clause 11 of Schedule 15.3 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") in respect of the following installation control points ("ICPs"): ICP identifier ICP identifier 1) 0000038627NTADB 2) 0000557925UND32 3) 0000600085HBD8B 4) 0000916610TEA3F 5) 0001183605HB0B0 6) 0005000772HBA61 7) 0008801012TP900 8) 0014189134HBC96 9) 0016096032EL6DD 10) 0018137292HB7F1 11) 0046054751HBFE7.	Contact Energy Limited	25/10/2013	Expires on the date on which Contact no longer has the responsibility in the registry as the trader for the ICPs listed.
277	Exemption from complying with the obligations in clauses 11.10, 15.37A and 15.38(1) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 in respect of the grid point ("GXP") at Tangiwai TNG0111 WNST GN).	Winstone Pulp International Limited	16/05/2019	7/05/2029
280	Exemption from clauses 11.10, 15.37A and 15.38(1) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") to have regular distributor and reconciliation participant audits and obtain certification as a reconciliation participant.	Norske Skog Tasman Limited	4/07/2019	27/06/2029
281	Exemption from the obligation to arrange a distributor audit under clause 11.10 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code"). This exemption applies only in respect of the grid exit point (GXP) at Atiamuri (AT12201 MRPL GN).	Mercury NZ Limited	10/08/2019	16/08/2029
292	For an exemption from complying with the obligation in clause 4(2)(a) of Schedule 10.7 of the Code, not to use subtraction to determine submission information for ICP 0003133903AA777	AccuCal Limited	10/12/2020	Expiring at the earlier of: (i) the close of 1 December 2030 (ii) when AccuCal is no longer recorded in the registry as being the Metering Equipment Provider (MEP) for ICP 0003133903AA777 (iii) the date on which the meter programming, metering or distribution configuration is changed (iv) the date on which any other consumer is connected to the same 11kV distribution substation as ICP#0003133903AA777
293	For an exemption from complying with the obligation in clause 10.24 (c) of the Code not to use subtraction to determine submission information for ICP 0003133903AA777	Contact Energy Limited	10/12/2020	Expiring at the earlier of: (i) the close of 1 December 2030 (ii) when Contact Energy is no longer recorded in the registry as being the trader for ICP 0003133903AA777 (iii) the date on which the meter programming, metering or distribution configuration is changed (iv) the date on which any other consumer is connected to the same 11kV distribution substation as ICP#0003133903AA777

287	Meridian Energy Limited is exempted from complying with the obligation in clause 10.24(c) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") to not to use subtraction to determine submission information.	Meridian Energy Limited	10/12/2020	Expires on the earlier of: a. the close of 30 June 2025; and b. the date when Meridian is no longer in the registry as being the trader for ICP0000840407WE388; and c. the date when Vector Metering Limited is no longer recorded in the registry as being the Metering Equipment Provider for ICP 0000011015WEC04 or ICP 0000011055WEEA1; and d. the date when Meridian no longer has an agreement with any retailer of ICP 0000015182WE1AD, ICP 0000025029WEF4E or ICP 0003146175WE243 to receive half hour metered data required in the subtraction calculation for ICP 0000840407WE388; and e. the date on which the metering or distribution configuration is changed so that submission information no longer needs to be calculated by a subtractive process.
296	Vector Metering Limited is exempted from clause 4(2)(a) of Schedule 10.7 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") to not to use subtraction to determine submission information.	Vector Metering Limited	10/12/2020	Expires on the earlier of: a. the close of 30 June 2025; and b. the date when; Meridian Energy Limited is no longer in the registry as being the trader for ICP0000840407WE388; and c. the date when Vector Metering is no longer recorded in the registry as being the Metering Equipment Provider for ICP 0000011015WEC04 or ICP 0000011055WEEA1; and d. the date when Meridian Energy Limited no longer has an agreement with any retailer of ICP 0000015182WE1AD, ICP 0000025029WEF4E or ICP 0003146175WE243 to receive half hour metered data required in the subtraction calculation for ICP 0000840407WE388; and e. the date on which the metering or distribution configuration is changed so that submission information no longer needs to be calculated by a subtractive process.
303	Exemption from 13.236A of the Code.	eTrading Limited	18/03/2021	Expiring on the earlier of: (i) the close of 31 March 2028; or (ii) the date when eTrading becomes a retailer (as defined in Part 1 of the Code).
307	Exempted from the complying with the obligation in clause 10.24(c) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") to not to use subtraction to determine submission information.	Mercury NZ Limited	23/06/2021	1/12/2030
308	Exempted from the complying with the obligation in clause 4(2)(a) of Schedule 10.7 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") to not to use subtraction to determine submission information.	Accucal Limited	23/06/2021	1/12/2030
309	Exempted from complying with the obligation in clause 10.14(2)(b) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") to not treat load expected to exceed 9,000 kWh in any 12 month rolling period as unmetered load.	Mercury NZ Limited	23/06/2021	17/06/2028

321	Exempted from the complying with the obligations in clauses 10.29B(2) and 10.29C(2) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") that a grid owner may only disconnect or electrically disconnect a point of connection to the grid (that it owns or operates) in specific circumstances. Amendment granted 89 May 2025	Transpower NZ Limited	12/05/2025	This exemption expires on the earlier of: a. the close of 31 May 2025 ; or b. the date on which either clause 10.29B(2) or 10.29C(2) of the Code are amended by Gazette notice. Amendments to Principal Exemption (1) Delete and replace clause 3a of the principal exemption with the following: "a. The close of 31 May 2028; or" (2) Add a new clause 5 to the principal exemption: "5. Conditions In the case of a grid injection point, Transpower must have processes in place to ensure that a party is responsible for submission information at the initial or first electrical connection."
326	Exemption from complying with the obligation in clause 10.14(2)(b) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 (Code) not to treat predictable load, expected to exceed 6,000 kWh in any 12-month rolling period, as unmetered load for 12 installation control points (ICPs) - 0007146035RN953, 0007146034RN516, 0007146032RN499, 0007146031RN859, 1000590812PC0FD, 1002078490UNB84, 000162438CK602, 1002078527UNDF8, 1002075918UN3F2 1000590813PCCB8, 1002075767UNF7A, 0000047856HRA33.	Ecotricity Limited Partnership	21/12/2022	Exemption expires on the earlier of: (i) the close of 13 December 2032 (ii) when Ecotricity is no longer recorded in the registry as being the trader for any of the 12 ICPs (iii) when all 12 of the ICPs are metered.
330	1) In respect of the ICPs in the trial, Intellihub is exempted from complying with the clauses of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") listed in Table 1 in the manner in which those clauses ordinarily apply (where there is a single ICP identifier); and (2) For the purposes of the trial, Intellihub is exempted from complying with the Code clauses listed in Table 1 in the manner in which those clauses ordinarily apply (where there is a single ICP identifier) in respect of no more than 200 residential ICPs that are notified to the Electricity Authority; and (3) Unless specified otherwise, Intellihub is exempted from complying with the Code clauses listed in Table 1 in the manner in which those clauses ordinarily apply (where there is a single ICP identifier), provided that it complies with those Code clauses subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in Part 3 of this Notice.	Intellihub Ltd	5/07/2023	This exemption expires on the earlier of the following: a. 30 June 2028; or b. if an ICP that has not been approved for inclusion in the trial has a second ICP identifier created for it, on such date that the second ICP identifier was created; or c. the date on which either this Notice or Electricity Industry (Exemption No. 331 (Wellington Electricity Lines Limited)) Exemption Notice 2023, or any other exemption granted by the Electricity Authority in respect of the trial, is revoked by the Electricity Authority in accordance with section 11(4) of the Act.
331	(1) In respect of the ICPs in the trial, Wellington Electricity is exempted from complying with the clauses of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") listed in Table 1 in the manner in which those clauses ordinarily apply (where there is a single ICP identifier); and (2) For the purposes of the trial, Wellington Electricity is exempted from complying with the Code clauses listed in Table 1 in the manner in which those clauses ordinarily apply (where there is a single ICP identifier) in respect of no more than 200 residential ICPs that are notified to the Electricity Authority; and (3) Unless specified otherwise, Wellington Electricity is exempted from complying with the Code clauses listed in Table 1 in the manner in which those clauses ordinarily apply (where there is a single ICP identifier), provided that it complies with those Code clauses subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in Part 3 of this Notice.	Wellington Electricity Lines Ltd	5/07/2023	This exemption expires on the earlier of the following: a. 30 June 2028; or b. if an ICP that has not been approved for inclusion in the trial has a second ICP identifier created for it, on such date that the second ICP identifier was created; or c. the date on which either this Notice or Electricity Industry (Exemption No. 330 (Intellihub Limited)) Exemption Notice 2023, or any other exemption granted by the Electricity Authority in respect of the trial, is revoked by the Electricity Authority in accordance with section 11(4) of the Act.
332	Exempted from complying with the obligation in clause 10.30B(3)(b) of Part 10 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010, to electrically connect a NSP which is an interconnection point between two local networks without a received confirmation from a reconciliation participant that the metering installation at the NSP is certified and operational. This exemption applies only to the interconnection point between The Power Company's local network (ELL0111 TPCO) and Electricity Invercargill Limited's ("Electricity Invercargill") local network (ELL0111 ELIN) ("the interconnection point")	The Power Company Ltd	23/06/2023 CORRIGENDUM 18/08/2023	This exemption expires on the earlier of: a. the close 31 March 2033; or b. When the meter used for consumption calculations at ICP No. 0000800121TPF4A loses its certification for any reason.
333	Amendment to exemption under section 11(4) of the Electricity Industry Act 2010 in Connection with Expansion of Ngāwhā Springs Generation Plant Amends the exemption granted by the Authority on 7 October 2017, and amended on 13 November 2019 under section 90(1)(b) of the Act, entitled 'Exemption Under Section 90(1)(b) of the Electricity Industry Act 2010 in Connection With Expansion of Ngāwhā Springs Generation Plant' ("principal exemption").	Top Energy Ltd	19/12/2023	31/07/2052

340	(1) In respect of the ICPs in the trial, Bluecurrent is exempted from complying with the clauses of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") listed in Table 1 in the manner in which those clauses ordinarily apply (where there is a single ICP identifier); and (2) For the purposes of the trial, Bluecurrent is exempted from complying with the Code clauses listed in Table 1 in the manner in which those clauses ordinarily apply (where there is a single ICP identifier) in respect of no more than 200 residential ICPs that are notified to the Electricity Authority; and (3) Unless specified otherwise, Bluecurrent is exempted from complying with the Code clauses listed in Table 1 in the manner in which those clauses ordinarily apply (where there is a single ICP identifier), provided that it complies with those Code clauses subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in Part 3 of this Notice.	Bluecurrent Assets New Zealand Ltd	03/2024 BM	This exemption expires on the earlier of the following: a. 30 June 2028; or b. if an ICP that has not been approved for inclusion in the trial has a second ICP identifier created for it, on such date that the second ICP identifier was created; or c. the date on which either this Notice or Electricity Industry (Exemption No. 330 (Intellihub) and 331 (Wellington Electricity Lines Limited)) Exemption Notice 2023, or any other exemption granted by the Electricity Authority in respect of the trial, is revoked by the Electricity Authority in accordance with section 11(4) of the Act.
343	Exemption to enable Paua to the People Ltd ('the participant') to participate in a trial involving multiple trading relationships, facilitated by Kainga Ora and Are Ake, which is aimed at reducing energy hardship for a defined group of vulnerable New Zealanders.	Paua to the People Ltd	03/2024 BM	This exemption expires on the earlier of the following: a. 30 June 2028; or b. if an ICP that has not been approved for inclusion in the trial has a second ICP identifier created for it, on such date that the second ICP identifier was created; or c. the date on which either this Notice or Electricity Industry (Exemption No. 330 (Intellihub) and 331 (Wellington Electricity Lines Limited)) Exemption Notice 2023, or any other exemption granted by the Electricity Authority in respect of the trial, is revoked by the Electricity Authority in accordance with section 11(4) of the Act.
345	Exempted from complying with the obligation in clauses 13.236A and 13.236F of Part 13 of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010, to prepare a spot price risk disclosure statement for each quarter and provide certification to the Authority in respect of any spot price risk disclosure statements provided.	Lodestone Energy Ltd	1/07/2024	This exemption expires on the earlier of: a. the close of 30 June 2033; or b. Lodestone purchasing electricity from the clearing manager for a purpose other than its own use; or c. Lodestone is no longer defined as a disclosing participant for the purposes of clause 13.236A and 13.236F.
346	Exempted from the requirement in clause 6A.3(2) of the Code to comply with rules 3G, 3H, 3I and 3J in Schedule 6A.1 of the Code Refer Dispensation Tab. Amended 16 July 2025	WEL Networks Ltd & NewPower Energy Ltd	23/07/2025	1/10/2040 - Refer to Published Gazette Notice for all conditions: https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2025-au3972
347	Exempted from complying with the obligation in clauses 6A.3(2), 6A.4(4), 6A.5(1), 6A.6(1), 6A.7(1) and 6A.8(1) of the Code, and Schedule 6A.1, in relation to Anne June Urlwin's (Ms Urlwin) appointment as a director of Vector while she is also a director of Infratil Limited (Infratil), in respect of retailing activities only.	Vector Ltd	3/07/2024	This exemption will expire on the date that the cross-directorship to which this exemption applies has ceased and subject to the following conditions: a. this exemption will be reviewed if Dispensation 002 granted to Ms Urlwin is terminated for any reason. b. this exemption is specific to the cross-involvements created through Ms Urlwin's directorships in both Infratil and Vector. c. this exemption is specific to Manawa's retailing to customers connected to Vector's network and does not apply in respect of any generation owned by Manawa which is or may be connected to Vector's network.

348	Exempted from complying with the obligations in clauses clauses 6A.3(2), 6A.5(1) and 6A.8 of the Code, and Schedule 6A.1, in relation to Anne June Urlwin's (Ms Urlwin) appointment as a director of Vector Limited (Vector) while she is also a director of Infratil Limited (Infratil), in respect of retailing activities only.	Manawa Energy Ltd	5/07/2024	This exemption will expire on the date that the cross-directorship to which this exemption applies has ceased and subject to the following conditions: a. this exemption will be reviewed if Dispensation 002 granted to Ms Urlwin is terminated for any reason. b. this exemption is specific to the cross-involvements created through Ms Urlwin's directorships in both Infratil and Vector. c. this exemption is specific to Manawa's retailing to customers connected to Vector's network and does not apply in respect of any generation owned by Manawa which is or may be connected to Vector's network.
349	Exempted from complying with the obligations in clause 10.25(1) of the Code, subject to the conditions that Orion: i. establishes a new embedded network NSP at the point between the Electricity Ashburton Limited (EASH) embedded network and Orion's Manuka Point embedded network by 31 December 2024, and ii. ensures that washups for the NSP are provided to the reconciliation manager at least once every 14 months. (2) This exemption applies only to the new Orion NSP at the connection between the Electricity Ashburton embedded network and Orion's Manuka Point embedded network.	Orion New Zealand Ltd	5/10/2024	This exemption expires on the earlier of: i. 15 years; or ii. when the line from Orion's NSP to Manuka Point is upgraded, replaced or decommissioned.
350	Exempted from Part 8 clause 8.19(5), Sch 8.3 Tech Code A Appendix B clause 6 and Sch 8.3 Tech Code B clause 7 and the AUFLS tech requirementd incorporated by reference in Sch 8.6 of the Code.	Meridian Energy Ltd	4/10/2024	This exemption expires on the earlier of: i. 31 December 2030; or ii. any Code amendment that would in effect exclude BESS from being subject to AUFLS obligations.
351	Exemption from Part 15 clause 15.38(1) and Part 16A clause 16A.24(b) of the Code to hold certification and submit audits.	Kakariki Power Ltd Ltd	29/04/2025	This exemption expires on the earlier of: a. the close of 30 April 2027; b. the close of 30 April 2025 if Kakariki is responsible for any ICPs in the electricity registry; c. the date when Kakariki becomes responsible for an ICP in the electricity registry after 30 April 2025; and d. 15 months after the date Kakariki is no longer responsible for any ICPs in the electricity registry (once washups have been completed).
353	Exemption from Part 15 clause 15.38(1) of the Code. Exemption from clause 15.38 which requires certification for electricity retailers. Liberta is exiting the business and requires to act uncertified from 5/3/2025 to 5/9/2025 in order to transition customers, finalise operations and avoid the expense of an audit.	Liberta Systems Ltd	29/04/2025	This exemption expires on the earlier of: a. the date Liberta becomes responsible for any ICPs in the electricity registry after the date on which this exemption is granted; or b. the close of 31 October 2025 if Liberta is responsible for any ICPs in the eectricity registry; or c) 15 months after the date Liberta is no longer responsible for any ICPs in the electricity registry (once washups have been completed).
354	Exemption from clause 10.25 of the Code. to ensure there is one or more metering installations for a network supply point (NSP) that is not a point of connection to the grid and that all electricity conveyed is quantified in accordance with the Code. This exemption applies only to NSP FND0112NELSNP.	Nelson Electricity Limited	12/05/2025	This exemption expires on the earlier of: the close of 30 November 2026; or one month after the 33kV/11kV transformer that failed in August 2024 at the Haven Road substation is replaced
356	Exempted from the requirement in clause 20(1) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 ("Code") to comply with the Retail Market Monitoring Notice ("RMM Notice") published by the Authority	Meridian Energy Limited)	28/08/2025	This exemption expires when the RMM Notice ceases to be in effect or if the requirements in (i) and (ii) are earlier removed from the RMM Notice.

Dispensation number	Dispensation	Industry participant	Effective date	Expiry date
1	Top Energy Limited ("TEL") and Ngāwhā Generation Limited ("NGL") requested the following persons are granted a dispensation from the requirement in clause 6A.3(2) of the Code to comply with rules 9 and 10 in schedule 6A.1 of the Code: a. the directors, from time to time, of TEL; b. the directors, from time to time, of Ngāwhā Generation Limited NGL; c. the chief executive officer of TEL, or person holding an equivalent position; d. the chief financial officer of TEL, or person holding an equivalent position; and e. the general manager corporate services of TEL, or person holding an equivalent position. This dispensation is subject to the following conditions: a. This dispensation applies in relation to the expansion of Ngāwhā Springs Power Station for geothermal generation up to a nameplate capacity of 117MW. b. The dispensation from the requirement to comply with rule 10 only applies to the appointment of persons identified in clause 2(c) to (e) to positions of material influence over NGL. c. The dispensation only applies while TEL and NGL are wholly owned by the Top Energy Consumer Trust. d. The dispensation expires on the close of 31 July 2052 or the day that any additional generation (other than generation installed for the purpose of providing network support) owned by TEL, NGL any of TEL's subsidiaries, or any "connected generators" as defined in clause 6A.3 of the Code in relation to TEL, is connected to TEL's	Top Energy Ltd, Ngāwhā Generation Ltd	19/12/2023	31/07/2052
2	Anne June Urlwin (Mrs Urlwin) is granted a dispensation from the requirement to comply with clauses 6A.3(2), 6A.4(1), 6A.5(1), 6A.6(2), 6A.7, 6A.8 and Schedule 6A.1, in relation to her appointment as a director of Vector Limited (Vector) while she is also a director of Infratil Limited (Infratil).	Anne June Urlwin	29/03/2024	This dispensation will expire on the date that the cross-directorship to which this dispensation applies has ceased.
3	WEL Network Limited ("WEL") and NewPower Energy Limited ("NewPower") requested the following persons are granted a dispensation from the requirement in clause 6A.3(2) of the Code to comply with rules 3G, 3H, 3I and 3J in schedule 6A.1 of the Code: a. the directors, from time to time, of WEL Networks Ltd ("WEL"); b. the directors, from time to time, of NewPower Energy Limited ("NewPower"); c. the chief executive officer of WEL, or person holding an equivalent position; d. the chief financial officer of WEL, or person holding an equivalent position; e. the chief technology officer of WEL, or person holding an equivalent position; and f. the chief executive officer of NewPower, or person holding an equivalent position.	WEL Networks Ltd & NewPower Energy Ltd	19/10/2024	1/10/2040 - Refer to Published Dispensation Notice for all conditions.