

Memo

To Reconciliation Participants

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Subject Impact of expiry of interim certification on profiles

For your action

From 1 April 2015 any 'interim' certified metering installations incorporating a load control device cannot be reconciled using any approved profile that requires a certified load control device.

Rationale

Many profiles can only be applied where the metering installation is configured to allow the registers to be switched, or the load to be controlled, by a certified load control device. These have the metering installation characteristic "C" for multi register profiles, and "D" for controlled load profiles in the table of approved profiles published on the Electricity Authority (Authority) website. (http://www.ea.govt.nz/dmsdocument/8563)

As of 1 April 2015 'interim' certification is no longer a valid certification status. Any metering installations that do not hold full certification are uncertified. This includes the load control devices that are incorporated into the installation.

Impact

A trader must not provide submission information to the reconciliation manager for a profile that requires a certified load control device, if the metering installation the load control device is connected in does not have current certification.

Using a profile that requires a certified load control device an ICP that does not have a certified load control device is in breach of the profile approval conditions and can result in the removal of the profile.¹

File ref: Use of controlled load profiles on uncertified metering installations

¹ Clause 37(3) of Schedule 15.5

Remedial action required

To avoid breaching the terms of the profile, reconciliation participants must ensure that ICPs with uncertified load control devices, (including any that may become uncertified from 1 April 2015) are not assigned to any of these approved profiles.

Profile owners should also contact all reconciliation participants that they have given authorisation to use their profile(s) to ensure that these reconciliation participants are aware of, and comply with, the terms of the profile approval

The RPS profile does not require a certified load control device and is available for use by all participants for non-half hour consumption profiling.

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