

Notice of Amendment to the Electricity Governance Regulations (Exemption No. 15 (Northpower Limited)) Exemption Notice 2004

Pursuant to Regulation 196 of the Electricity Governance Regulations 2003, the Electricity Commission (“Commission”) gives the following notice.

Notice

1. Title and commencement—(1) This notice is the Electricity Governance Regulations (Exemption No. 15 (Northpower Limited)) Exemption Amendment Notice 2008.

(2) In this notice, the Electricity Governance Regulations (Exemption No. 15 (Northpower Limited)) Exemption Notice 2004¹ is called the “principal notice”.

(3) This notice comes into force on 31 March 2008.

2. Amendment to principal notice—(1) The principal notice provides an exemption from the requirement to comply with Rules 6.1, 6.4, and 6.5 of Technical Code B of Schedule C3 of Part C of the Electricity Governance Rules 2003 (“Rules”).

(2) The principal notice is amended by omitting the date on which the exemption is stated to expire (31 March 2008) and substituting 31 March 2010.

3. Reasons for amendment—The reasons for this amendment are as follows:

- (a) it has taken longer than could reasonably have been anticipated at the time for the Commission to review the appropriateness of the exemption test in Rule 6.6 of Technical Code B of Schedule C3 of Part C of the Rules and related arrangements; and
- (b) it will allow time for the Commission to finalise a recommendation to the Minister of Energy (“Minister”) on the appropriateness of the exemption test in Rule 6.6 of Technical Code B of Schedule C3 of Part C of the Rules; and
- (c) if the Commission recommends a rule change to the Minister, and the Minister accepts that recommendation, it will allow sufficient time for:
 - (i) the system operator to make any software changes required to implement that rule change; and
 - (ii) participants wishing to request an exemption from any new rules to make that request and allow the Commission time to consider that request.

Dated at Wellington this 18th day of March 2008.

For and on behalf of the Electricity Commission:

DAVID CAYGILL, Chair.

¹*New Zealand Gazette*, 18 November 2004, No. 149, page 3733

Amendment: *New Zealand Gazette*, 30 June 2005, No. 100, page 2386

Amendment: *New Zealand Gazette*, 30 March 2006, No. 29, page 781