

Electricity Governance Regulations (Exemption No. 100 (Contact Energy Limited)) Exemption Notice 2009

Pursuant to Regulation 194(2) 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. 100 (Contact Energy Limited)) Exemption Notice 2009.

(2) This notice comes into force on the date on which it is notified in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

2. Exemption—Contact Energy Limited (“Contact”) is exempted from compliance, on the installation control point 0000040660NT20D (“the ICP”), with the following:

- (a) Rule 3.2 of Part D of the Electricity Governance Rules 2003 (“Rules”); and
- (b) Rule 5 of Schedule J3 of Part J of the Rules.

3. Terms and conditions—This exemption is granted on the following conditions:

- (a) Contact must treat the load at the ICP as standard unmetered load for the purposes of recording details of the type and capacity in the registry; and
- (b) it expires on the earlier of:
 - (i) 1 April 2014; and
 - (ii) the date upon which the customer at the ICP switches from Contact to another retailer.

4. Reasons for granting the exemption—The reasons for granting this exemption are:

- (a) Without an exemption, Contact:
 - (i) would incur significant expenditure and complexity in fitting meters to the streetlight poles for low consumption volumes;
 - (ii) would incur significant ongoing compliance costs associated with a distributed unmetered load database for low consumption.
- (b) Streetlights are static load and have little variation. Most changes for load are associated with changes in lamp wattage that can be accurately tracked.
- (c) By imposing a condition that Contact treats the load as standard unmetered load, the information will still be recorded in the registry.
- (d) The exemption will have little or no impact on other participants and service providers and will not affect any other rules.

Dated at Wellington this 30th day of March 2009.

For and on behalf of the Electricity Commission:

DAVID CAYGILL, Chair.

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