

Information Register - Interpretation

1 Background

1.1 This information register records details of requests for confidential information from:

- (1) *related electricity service providers*;
- (2) other *legal entities* who provide *contestable electricity services* but who are not affiliates of Ausgrid.

1.2 The purpose of this information register is to ensure Ausgrid's compliance with clause 4.3.5 of the Ring-fencing Guideline published by the AER (**Guideline**).

2 Interpretation

2.1 The italicised terms in the register have the following meanings:

- (1) **Affiliated entity** means a *legal entity*:
 - (a) which is a direct or indirect shareholder in Ausgrid or otherwise has a direct or indirect legal or equitable interest in Ausgrid;
 - (b) in which Ausgrid is a direct or indirect shareholder or otherwise has a direct or indirect legal or equitable interest;
 - (c) in which a legal entity referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) is a direct or indirect shareholder or otherwise has a direct or indirect legal or equitable interest.
- (2) **Confidential information** means *electricity information*, acquired or generated by Ausgrid in connection with its provision of *direct control services*, that is not already publicly available, and includes *electricity information*:
 - (a) that Ausgrid derives from that information; or
 - (b) provided to Ausgrid by or in relation to a customer or prospective customer of direct control services.[Note: aggregated financial information, or other service performance information, that does not relate to an identifiable customer, or class of customer, is excluded from the definition of confidential information].
- (3) **Contestable electricity services** means:
 - (a) distribution services other than direct control services; and/or
 - (b) services for the supply of electricity that are necessary or incidental to the supply of electricity, other than transmission services and distribution services.
- (4) **Direct control services** means *distribution services* that are direct control network services within the meaning of section 2B of the National Electricity Law.
- (5) **Discriminatory conduct** means discriminating, either directly or indirectly, between an affiliated entity of Ausgrid and a competitor or potential competitor of that affiliate, in connection with the provision of either:
 - (a) direct control services by Ausgrid (either to itself or any other entity); and/or
 - (b) contestable electricity services by any other entity.
- (6) **Distribution services** means services provided by means of, or in connection with, a distribution system.
- (7) **Electricity information** means information about electricity networks, electricity customers or electricity services, other than:
 - (a) aggregated financial information; or

(b) other service performance information;

that does not relate to an identifiable customer or class of customer.

(8) **Electricity services** means services that are necessary or incidental to the supply of electricity to consumers of electricity, including:

(a) the generation of electricity;

(b) distribution services and transmission services; and

(c) the sale of electricity.

(9) **Legal entity** means a natural person, a body corporate (including a statutory corporate or public authority), a partnership, or a trustee of a trust, but excludes *staff* in their capacity as such.

(10) **Related electricity service provider** includes:

(a) an affiliated entity of Ausgrid; and

(b) the part of Ausgrid;

that provides *contestable electricity services*, but excludes a part of an *affiliated entity* that provides *direct control services*.

(11) **Services that are not electricity services** include (but are not limited to) general administration, accounting, payroll, human resources, legal or regulatory or information technology support services.

(12) **Staff** includes:

(a) employees of Ausgrid;

(b) direct or indirect contractors to Ausgrid (whether the contractors are individuals or corporate or other entities)

(c) employees of direct or indirect contractors to Ausgrid;

(d) individuals (including secondees) otherwise made available to Ausgrid by another entity.

(13) **Transmission services** means services provided by means of, or in connection with, a transmission system.

Information Register

Name of person requesting information	Date of request	Is the person requesting information (i) a <i>related electricity service provider</i> or (ii) a <i>legal entity</i> which provides <i>contestable electricity services</i> but who are not <i>affiliates of Ausgrid</i> ?	Kind of information requested (4.3.5(b)i.)	Description of kind of information requested (4.3.5(b)ii.)
[Insert name]	<i>[insert date on which all required information was provided]</i>	<i>[Insert either "related electricity service provider" or "other legal entity". See definition of related electricity service provider, legal entity and contestable electricity services on Interpretation sheet.]</i>	<i>[Insert brief designation for the information requested eg "Metering asset information"]</i>	<i>[Insert description. The description must be in sufficient detail to enable other legal entities to make an informed decision about whether to request that kind of information from Ausgrid.]</i>

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