

## Notice Under Regulation 17 of the Electricity Industry (Enforcement) Regulations 2010

### Investigation of alleged breach of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 by Transpower New Zealand Limited - Grid Owner

On 1 November 2023, Transpower New Zealand Limited - Grid Owner reported to the Authority that it had breached Part 8 Technical Code A, Schedule 8.3 clause 4(4)(a)(ii) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 (Code).

On 15 August 2024, the Authority appointed an investigator to investigate the alleged breach under Regulation 12 of the Electricity Industry (Enforcement) Regulations 2010 (Regulations).

Under Regulation 16, the investigator must promptly notify the industry participant alleged to have breached the Code of the allegation that is being investigated. On 21 August 2024, the investigator gave Transpower New Zealand Limited - Grid Owner such notice.

Under Regulation 17, at the same time as the investigator sends a notice under Regulation 16, the investigator must publicise the information about the matter under investigation, including the content of the notice given under that Regulation. This notice publicises the information about the matter under investigation, and a copy of the notice given under regulation 16 is attached.

Any participant that considers it is affected by the matter being investigated and that wishes to become a party to this investigation, should notify the investigator within 10 working days after the date on which this notice is published (by 5pm, 5 September 2024).

The investigator can be contacted, citing the reference **2311TPNZ2** in the subject line, by email at [compliance@ea.govt.nz](mailto:compliance@ea.govt.nz), or at:

Compliance Investigator  
**Electricity Authority - Te Mana Hiko**  
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## NOTICE UNDER REGULATION 16 OF THE ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY (ENFORCEMENT) REGULATIONS 2010

<b>Date</b>	21 August 2024
<b>Addressee</b>	Transpower New Zealand Limited - Grid Owner
<b>Subject</b>	The grid owner self-reported a breach that it had breached clause 4(4)(a)(ii) of Technical Code A, Schedule 8.3 of the Code on 20 May 2022, when a fault occurred on the 11 kV feeder and tripped Waverley Transformer 1.
<b>Investigator</b>	Investigator appointed under Regulation 12 of the Electricity Industry (Enforcement) Regulations 2010 (Regulations)
<b>Notifying industry participant</b>	Transpower New Zealand Limited - Grid Owner
<b>Clauses allegedly breached</b>	Part 8 Technical Code A, Schedule 8.3 clause 4(4)(a)(ii) of the Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 (Code).
<b>Circumstances of alleged breaches</b>	<p>On 20 May 2022 at 1.33 pm, a fault occurred on the 11 kV feeder CB262 and tripped WVY T1. The WVY GXP load is supplied by WVY transformer T1 and three 11 kV feeders, CB242, CB262 and CB282.</p> <p>The protection was not selective when operating and electrically disconnected these assets, which should not have tripped.</p> <p>The event resulted in a 2.5 MW loss of supply to the WVY 11 kV GXP for 36 minutes.</p> <p>On 20 May 2022 at 2.09 pm, WVY T1 was returned to service.</p>
<b>Date and time of alleged breaches</b>	from 20/05/2022 01:33 pm - 20/05/2022 02:09 pm
Please note, under Regulation 16 of the Regulations, you are obliged to respond to this allegation, in writing, to the investigator within 10 working days of receipt of this notice (unless the investigator allows, in writing, a longer period).	

Please provide your response to this allegation, or request a longer period to respond, via the Authority's Compliance portal by clicking [here](#).

**Include the following in your response:**

- Whether you believe you have breached the Code
- Whether there is another provision you consider more accurately describes the nature of the event
- A full explanation of the circumstances surrounding the alleged breaches
- Identification of any information provided in your response that you consider confidential and that should not be included in the investigator's report under Regulation 19 of the Regulations (Regulation 15(2) of the Regulations). If your response includes confidential information, please provide a second copy where the confidential information has been redacted in case your response needs to be shared with any other parties.