
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 698

The Electricity (Connection Standards of Performance) Regulations 2015

PART 2

Services and Standards for Metered Connections

Provision of budget estimates

- 4.—(1) This regulation applies to an electricity distributor where—
- (a) a customer requests that the electricity distributor provide a budget estimate in respect of a connection of the customer's premises to the electricity distributor's distribution system; and
 - (b) the electricity distributor receives from the customer—
 - (i) the information relating to the provision of the connection that is or could reasonably be expected to be within the knowledge of the customer and that the electricity distributor reasonably requires to enable it to provide the budget estimate; and
 - (ii) payment of any reasonable charge that the law allows the electricity distributor to make for providing the budget estimate.
- (2) Where this regulation applies and the requested capacity of the connection that is the subject of the budget estimate request is less than 1 MVA, and the electricity distributor fails to dispatch a budget estimate to the customer within the prescribed period from the applicable date, the electricity distributor must, except in any of the circumstances described in regulation 15, pay to the customer the prescribed sum.
- (3) Where this regulation applies and the requested capacity of the connection that is the subject of the budget estimate request is 1 MVA or more, and the electricity distributor fails to dispatch a budget estimate to the customer within the prescribed period from the applicable date, the electricity distributor must, except in any of the circumstances described in regulation 15, pay to the customer the prescribed sum.
- (4) In providing a budget estimate the electricity distributor must—
- (a) describe the assumptions on which the budget estimate is based, including a reference to any matters that the electricity distributor considers might cause the amount of the budget estimate to be varied significantly, in a quotation provided in accordance with section 16A(5)(b) of the Act; and
 - (b) set out whether (and, if so, at what likely cost) associated works are likely to be required.

Commencement Information

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