Quarterly Information Disclosure about Distributed Energy Resources

1 July – 30 September 2023

Distributed Energy Resource (DER) Information 1 April – 30 June 2023		
> Number of DER connected to Essential Energy's distribution network	274,223	
> Volume of electricity exported into Essential Energy's distribution network from DER	272.9 GWh (estimated)	
> Number of complaints from customers without DER affected by voltage issues or exceedance of thermal capacity limits due to DER	Information is currently not available	
> Number of customers that are subject to static limits on the distribution network due to DER	67,228	
> Number of DER customers that are actively being curtailed from exporting any electricity via a total static limit	1,805	
> Number of DER customers that are actively being curtailed from exporting some electricity via a partial static limit	65,423	
 Level of operating and capital expenditure by Essential Energy that is primarily for the purpose of addressing network constraints on DER exports (including reasons for expenditure options) 	Information is currently not available	

> Top ten areas by postcode in Essential Energy's distribution district that have the highest levels of DER penetration by reference to volume of electricity exported and number of units and/or systems.

Volume of electricity exported	
Postcode	MWh exported Apr to Jun
2480	9,128
2830	9,106
2444	8,620
2486	8,365
2340	8,222
2450	7,943
2478	7,753
2800	7,361
2650	6,977
2460	6,752

Volume of units and/or systems	
Postcode	Number of systems
2830	7,096
2480	6,258
2444	5,712
2650	5,546
2450	5,313
2486	4,879
2340	4,506
2800	4,485
2478	4,439
2640	4,102



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> Number of complaints from DER customers by reference to postcode relating to constraints impacting the export of electricity from DER

Post Code	No of Work Orders
2340	1
2350	6
2354	1
2360	1
2371	1
2372	1
2444	1
2445	1
2446	2
2450	1
2470	1
2473	2
2580	1
2583	1
2587	1
2622	1
2647	1
2648	1

Post Code	No of Work Orders
2663	1
2665	1
2680	4
2705	2
2711	1
2714	1
2720	1
2730	1
2794	1
2795	3
2798	1
2804	1
2818	1
2840	1
2842	1
2865	1
2879	1
4390	1
Total	51

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Term	Definition	
DER	means distributed energy resources comprising small generating units and generating systems located on the customer's side of the metering installation that export electricity into the licence holder's distribution network. For the purpose of this reporting manual, it excludes electric vehicles and their charging infrastructure.	
Generating system	means a system comprising one or more generating units with a total rating less than 30MW.	
Generating unit	has the same meaning given to that term in the National Electricity Rules.	
Generator	has the same meaning given to that term in the National Electricity Rules.	
Partial static limit	means the imposition of non-zero limits on the capability of the Generator to export to the grid.	
Small generating unit	means a generating unit:	
	(a) with a nameplate rating that is less than 30MW; and	
	(b) which is owned, controlled or operated by a person that AEMO has exempted from the requirement to register as a Generator in respect of that generating unit.	
Thermal capacity limit	means the maximum electrical current that, under ambient conditions, can be carried by the distribution feeder, without exceeding the thermal limits of the feeder.	
Total static limit	means the imposition of blanket limits on the capability of the Generator to export to the	

grid.



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