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Operational Update

EQL Contestable Works

Timely Submission of Completion Packages

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Target Audience:

Accredited Service Providers (ASPs) & Developers - Energex Region only

Introduction:

When Energy Queensland Limited (**EQL**) implemented the revised ASP Framework, this included the creation of specific Work Category Specifications for Contestable Work.

The creation of the Contestable Work Category Specifications WCS2-CW Underground Construction, WCS25-CW Overhead Mains Electrical Construction, WCS37-CW Public Lighting Installations and WCS141-CW Major Customer Connections introduced a new Section 9.1 to reinforce the requirements for the timely delivery of Completion Packages to EQL.

Requirements:

The ASP shall ensure that when submitting HV, LV or SL switching applications the site works being completed by the developer (kerbs, road surfaces, survey pegs, final levels, Padmount Transformer sites, Ring Main Unit sites, retaining walls, etc) will be at a sufficient stage to facilitate the completion package being submitted to EQL within 10 business days of the date of switching. The only site works exception that EQL will accept is the installation of turfing and landscaping by the developer in areas that are not adjacent to EQL assets.

EQL will reject or cancel planned switchings where there is incomplete site works by the developer. In the event of any rejected or cancelled switching due to incomplete site works, the developer is responsible for all incurred costs associated with rescheduling the switching.

Where a project involves a sequential construction program that contains staged switching activities or early works where some of the civil components may not be able to be completed, permission must be obtained from EQL Contestable Works contestable@energyq.com.au prior to the first switching application being submitted by the ASP.

Where an ASP does not achieve the completion package being submitted to EQL within 10 business days of the date of switching, the ASPs rating shall be impacted as EQL deems this a High-Risk Non-Conformance. This will also impact on the future issuing of Approval to Construct timeframes for the ASP, the accreditation of the ASP, and subsequent switching applications.

Implementation:

This change is effective from the 1st of July 2025 for all Energex Region based Contestable projects.

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