

FIELD Engineering and Technology**Review of *Electricity Supply* qualifications****National Certificate in Electricity Supply (Hydro Operator) (Level 4) [Ref: 1405]****National Certificate in Electricity Supply (Thermal Operator) (Level 4) with strands in Thermal Operations, Combined Cycle Operations, and Geothermal Operations [Ref: 0894]**

The Infrastructure ITO (Connexis) has completed the review of the qualifications listed above.

Replacement qualification

New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Operation) with an optional strand in Hydro Operation (Level 4) [Ref: 3687].

Date replacement qualification listed**May 2017**

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2022.

Summary of review and consultation process

Due to the merger of the Electricity Supply ITO with the Infrastructure ITO in 2013, the review of some electrical qualifications were deferred. Connexis is now ensuring that any remaining National Certificates in Electricity Supply are given priority for review.

The review of the Operator qualifications followed the stakeholder collaboration process and determined that there was a need for a New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Operation) with an optional strand in Hydro Operation (Level 4) and a separate qualification for Network Operation.

Main changes resulting from the review

National Certificate in Electricity Supply (Thermal Operator) (Level 4) with strands in Thermal operations, Combined Cycle Operations, and Geothermal operations [Ref: 0894]

National Certificate in Electricity Supply (Hydro Operator) [Ref: 1405]

replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Operation) with an optional strand in Hydro Operation (Level 4) [Ref: 3687]

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Transition

The last date for entry into training programmes or courses leading to the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2018. The last date of assessment for the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2020.

People currently working towards the replaced qualification must complete its requirements or transfer to a programme of study or training leading to the replacement qualification by 31 December 2020.

It is anticipated that no existing candidates will be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. However, anyone who feels that they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Connexis at the address below. Appeals will be considered on a case by case basis.

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