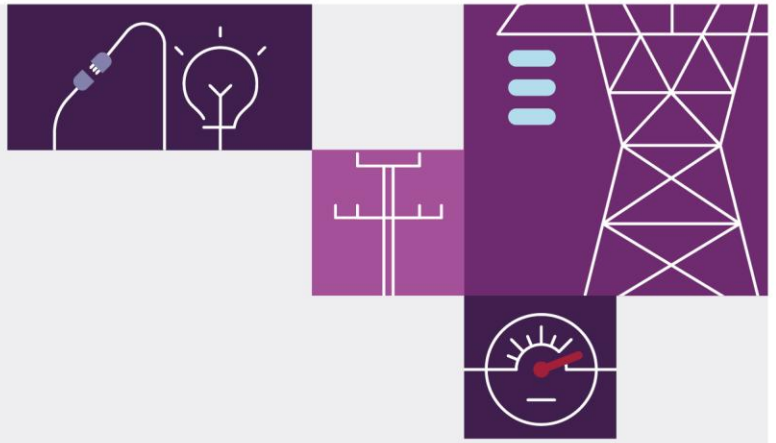


Transfer Limit Advice – Minimum Generator combinations in SA

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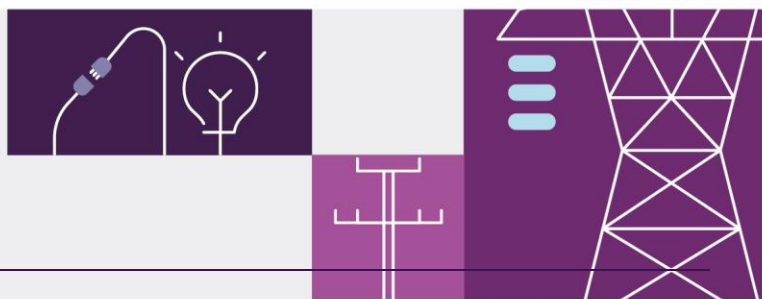
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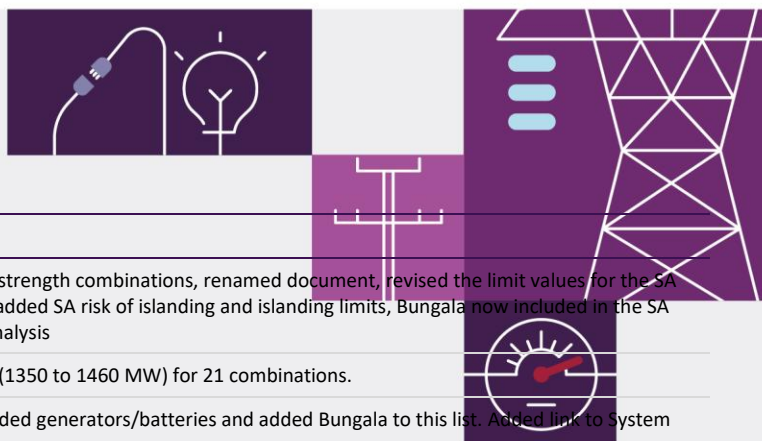
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| 18 | 26 November 2018 | Revised section on excluded generators/batteries and added Bungala to this list. Added link to System Strength methodology |
| 17 | 13 September 2018 | New AEMO template. Removed HIGH_14 (subset of HIGH_13). Added LOW_39 to LOW_50. Replaced LOW_25, LOW_26, LOW_30 and LOW_35 with new combinations with less generators (mainly removed QPSS). Removed LOW_23B and LOW32. Added note on Dalrymple battery. |
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| 14 | 28 June 2018 | Added LOW_36 and LOW_37 |
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| 12 | 25 May 2018 | Added LOW_34 |
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| 9 | 8 May 2018 | Renamed LOW_22 as LOW_22B, LOW_23 as LOW_22A, LOW_17 as LOW_17A and LOW_20 as LOW_20A. Added two new combinations LOW_17B and LOW_20B. |
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| 6 | 4 April 2018 | Renamed LOW_5 as LOW_5A and added LOW_5B |
| 5 | 5 March 2018 | Added three new combinations (LOW_14, LOW_15 and LOW_16). Added text on how to land securely post-contingency and replaced Table 2 with more detailed examples. |
| 4 | 8 December 2017 | Updated based on new studies. Includes an increase to the non-synchronous generation (for both levels), relabelled conditions, added three new conditions (LOW_11, LOW_12 and LOW_13), and added recommended N-1 scenarios. |
| 3 | 13 October 2017 | Added conditions LOW_9 and LOW_10 |
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1 Introduction

This document describes the requirements for system strength in South Australia (SA) as well as the methodology for determining these requirements.

System strength reflects the sensitivity of power system variables to disturbances. It indicates inherent local system robustness, with respect to properties other than inertia.

System strength affects the stability and dynamics of generating systems' control systems, and the ability of the power system to both:

- Remain stable under normal conditions, and
- Return to steady-state conditions following a disturbance (such as a fault).

Large synchronous machines (hydro, gas, and coal generation, and synchronous condensers) inherently contribute to system strength.

Non-synchronous generation (batteries, wind, and solar photovoltaic (PV) generation) does not presently provide inherent contribution to system strength.

1.1 Related AEMO publications

AEMO has published a detailed assessment of system strength requirements in South Australia in its South Australia System Strength Assessment¹ report. Requirements for system strength in all regions is included in the System Strength Requirements and Fault Level Shortfalls² document.

Other limit advice documents are located at: <https://www.aemo.com.au/energy-systems/electricity/national-electricity-market-nem/system-operations/congestion-information-resource/limits-advice>.

The system strength requirements methodology, requirements and fault level shortfalls is located at: https://www.aemo.com.au/-/media/Files/Electricity/NEM/Security_and_Reliability/System-Security-Market-Frameworks-Review/2018/System_Strength_Requirements_Methodology_PUBLISHED.pdf

This document does not describe how AEMO implements these limit equations as constraint equations in the National Electricity Market (NEM) market systems. That is covered in the Constraint Formulation Guidelines, Constraint Naming Guidelines, and Constraint Implementation Guidelines, all available in the Congestion Information Resource on AEMO's website, at: <https://www.aemo.com.au/energy-systems/electricity/national-electricity-market-nem/system-operations/congestion-information-resource>.

¹ AEMO. South Australia System Strength Assessment, September 2017. Available at: <http://www.aemo.com.au/Media-Centre/South-Australia-System-Strength-Assessment>.

² AEMO. System Strength Requirements Methodology and System Strength Requirements and Fault Level Shortfalls, 1 July 2018. Available at: https://www.aemo.com.au/-/media/Files/Electricity/NEM/Security_and_Reliability/System-Security-Market-Frameworks-Review/2018/System_Strength_Requirements_Methodology_PUBLISHED.pdf

1.2 Methodology

For a complete discussion on the methodology AEMO used to determine system strength requirements in South Australia, see its South Australia System Strength Assessment report.

To develop the Power Systems Computer Aided Design (PSCAD) model of South Australia, AEMO:

1. For a given non-synchronous dispatch level (such as 1,200 MW), identified and downloaded a recent matching load flow (PSS®E) case from AEMO's Operations and Planning Data Management System (OPDMS).
2. Manually modified the PSS®E case to convert it from a snapshot to a system normal case with the required generator dispatch, including:
 - Switching reactive plant to ensure all transmission elements were operating at nominal voltage levels.
 - Dispatching necessary generation in the Adelaide metro area to meet Heywood flow targets.
 - Constraint checks to ensure no existing network limits were being violated.
3. Converted the PSS®E model to an equivalent PSCAD model using the Electranix E-TRAN software and associated libraries.
 - The Murraylink HVDC interconnector was considered to be out of service, to simplify the model, and because Murraylink provides no active power response, and only a minor contribution to fault current during disturbances.
 - The non-SA network was equivalenced at Moorabool in Victoria, with the 500 kV network from Moorabool to Heywood represented in PSCAD. This was the only equivalent bus in the case. It was set to regulate frequency to 50 Hz and maintain a terminal voltage of 1.03 pu.
4. Within this (now) PSCAD case, replaced simplified generating system model with full PSCAD models.
 - Non-synchronous generating systems were replaced with models provided by the manufacturer/asset owner, and wind farms with Suzlon S88 turbines were replaced with a S88 model developed by Manitoba Hydro Research Centre (MHRC) and AEMO based on information from each installation.
 - AEMO developed synchronous generating system models with data from OPDMS, R2 validation reports, datasheets, and protection settings provided by generators.
 - Para and South East SVC models were replaced with vendor-specific PSCAD models provided by ElectraNet. Model responses were verified as part of the South Australia black system review work.
5. Added the Heywood Interconnector loss of synchronism relay model with current settings to the PSCAD model. Care was taken with the equivalencing process of the remainder of the NEM, to ensure the behaviour and modelling of the loss of synchronism relay remained realistic
6. Due to the large processing power and differing timestep requirements and incompatibility between some models running in the same case, placed generator models in individual PSCAD cases and linked back to the "top" case using the E-TRAN Plus for PSCAD tool.

This tool allows each PSCAD case to be allocated to its own core within a CPU, and communicates with the master PSCAD case using TCP/IP. This method isolates each PSCAD case, avoiding issues relating to two or more incompatible versions of a model being in the same PSCAD case.

7. Replaced load models within the case with a custom PSCAD load component, developed by MHRC that allows the load to be scaled at runtime while still allowing voltage and frequency indexes to be applied.
 - Loads within the South Australia network were set to a Voltage Index for Real Power (Np) of 1.0 and a Voltage Index for Reactive Power (Nq) of 3.0.

1.3 Secure Operation

While the combinations in Table 1 and Table 2 are secure, the ability to return to a secure state within 30 minutes following a contingency is limited, because many of the synchronous plant take longer than 30 minutes to start up. As such the system needs to land in a secure combination post contingent or return to secure combination within 30 minutes by utilising fast start plant (these are the last columns in the tables).

2 SA Minimum Generator Requirements

2.1 System Normal – One Unit operation

South Australia can operate with one of the following generators:

- One Torrens Island B generator.
- One gas turbine at Pelican Point.

as long as the following conditions are met:

- SA is connected to the rest of the NEM and not at credible risk of separation.
- SA operational demand is greater than 600 MW
- Both Davenport and both Robertstown synchronous condensers are in service.
- Hornsdale and Torrens Island BESS are in service.
- There are 8 Barker Inlet generators in SA available to be switched online for post contingent action.

If none of these are met the combinations in section 2.2 are to be used.

2.2 System Normal – Two Unit Requirements

Table 1 summarises the combinations of synchronous generating units that are required to withstand a credible fault and loss of a synchronous unit, at different non-synchronous generation levels for different number of synchronous condensers online in South Australia.

During periods of lower than 600 MW operational demand the following combinations are not to be used: SA_7, SA_9, SA_15, SA_16, SA_17, SA_26, SA_27, SA_31.

Table 1 South Australia minimum generator combinations for a secure state

| Combination | Non-sync generation level | Syn Cons^ | Torrens Island B | Pelican Point* | Osborne GT + ST# | Quarantine 5 | Dry Creek | Mintaro | BIPS | Snapper Point |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|-----------|---------|------|---------------|
| SA_1 | ≤ 2,500 MW | 4 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| SA_2 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| SA_3 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | |
| SA_4 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | |
| SA_5 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | |
| SA_6 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| SA_7 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | 1 | | | | 2 | | | |
| SA_8 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | 1 | | | | | | 8 | |
| SA_9 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | 1 | | | | | 1 | | |
| SA_10 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |
| SA_11 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | 1 | | | 2 | | | |

| Combination | Non-sync generation level | Syn Cons^ | Torrens Island B | Pelican Point* | Osborne GT + ST# | Quarantine 5 | Dry Creek | Mintaro | BIPS | Snapper Point |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|-----------|---------|------|---------------|
| SA_13 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | 1 | | | | | 4 | |
| SA_14 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| SA_15 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | 1 | | 2 | | | |
| SA_16 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| SA_17 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | 1 | | | | 4 | |
| SA_18 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | | 1 | | | 8 | |
| SA_19 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | | 1 | 2 | | 4 | |
| SA_20 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 4 | |
| SA_21 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | | |
| SA_22 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | 2 | | | | | | |
| SA_23 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | 1 | | | | | 4 | 5 |
| SA_24 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | | 1 | | | 4 | 5 |
| SA_25 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | | 1 | 2 | | | 5 |
| SA_26 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | | | 2 | | 4 | 5 |
| SA_27 | ≤ 2,500MW | 4 | | | | | | 1 | 8 | 5 |
| SA_30 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| SA_31 | ≤ 2,000 MW | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| SA_32 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| SA_33 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | |
| SA_34 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | |
| SA_35 | ≤ 2,000 MW | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | |
| SA_36 | ≤ 2,000 MW | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | |
| SA_37 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | 1 | | | 3 | | | |
| SA_38 | ≤ 2,000 MW | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| SA_39 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | 1 | | | | 2 | 1 | | |
| SA_40 | ≤ 2,000 MW | 2 | | | | 1 | 3 | 1 | 8 | |
| SA_45 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | 2 | | | |
| SA_46 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | | | 4 | |
| SA_47 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | | 1 | | | | 12 | |
| SA_48 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | | 1 | | 3 | | 4 | |
| SA_49 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 8 | |
| SA_50 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | |
| SA_51 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | | | 4 | |
| SA_52 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 12 | |
| SA_53 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | | | | 2 | 1 | 12 | |
| SA_70 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| SA_71 | ≤ 1,700 MW | | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | | | |
| SA_72 | ≤ 1,700 MW | | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| SA_73 | ≤ 1,450 MW | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |

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| Combination | Non-sync generation level | Syn Cons [^] | Torrens Island B | Pelican Point* | Osborne GT + ST# | Quarantine 5 | Dry Creek | Mintaro | BIPS | Snapper Point |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|-----------|---------|------|---------------|
| SA_74 | ≤ 1,450 MW | | | 1 | 1 | | 3 | | | |
| SA_75 | ≤ 1,700 MW | | 1 | 2 | | | | | | |
| SA_76 | ≤ 1,350 MW | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 3 | | | |
| SA_77 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| SA_78 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | | | | 3 | 1 | | |
| SA_79 | ≤ 1,600 MW | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 3 | | | |
| SA_80 | ≤ 1,350 MW | | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| SA_81 | ≤ 1,350 MW | | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| SA_82 | ≤ 1,350 MW | | | 1 | | | 3 | 1 | | |
| SA_83 | ≤ 1,450 MW | | | 1 | | 1 | 3 | | | |
| SA_84 | ≤ 1,450 MW | | | 2 | 1 | | | | | |
| SA_85 | ≤ 1,400 MW | | | 2 | | | | 1 | | |
| SA_86 | ≤ 1,450 MW | | | 2 | | 1 | | | | |
| SA_87 | ≤ 1,450 MW | | | 2 | | | 3 | | | |
| SA_88 | ≤ 1,450 MW | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | |
| SA_89 | ≤ 1,450 MW | | 1 | | 1 | | 3 | 1 | | |
| SA_90 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 4 | |
| SA_91 | ≤ 1,400 MW | | 2 | | | 1 | 3 | | 6 | |
| SA_92 | ≤ 1,400 MW | | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | 8 | |
| SA_93 | ≤ 1,600 MW | | | | | 1 | 3 | 1 | 8 | |
| SA_94 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | | | | | 1 | 10 | |
| SA_95 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| SA_96 | ≤ 1,550 MW | | 3 | | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| SA_97 | ≤ 1,700 MW | | 3 | | 1 | | | | 4 | |
| SA_98 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 3 | | 1 | | | | | |
| SA_99 | ≤ 1,750 MW | | 4 | | 1 | | | | | |
| SA_100 | ≤ 1,700 MW | | 4 | | | 1 | | | | |
| SA_101 | ≤ 1,700 MW | | 4 | | | | 3 | | | |
| SA_102 | ≤ 1,650 MW | | 4 | | | | | 1 | | |

* Pelican point number covers the GTs only. The steam turbine can be in or out of service. This only applies to 0 or 4 syn cons in service.

Osborne steam turbine can be in or out of service. This only applies for 4 syn cons in service.

[^] For four synchronous condensers the combinations are secure for the loss of a synchronous condenser

Example 1:

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If 4x Syn Cons, 2 x Torrens Island B, 1 x Pelican Point units and Osborne were online this would satisfy SA_1, SA_2, SA_3 and SA_6 combinations. If any of these units were to trip one of the combinations would be still satisfied e.g. if Osborne trips SA_1 and SA_2 are satisfied, if a Torrens Island B generator trips SA_2 and SA_6 are satisfied.

Example 2:

If 4x Syn Cons and 2 x Torrens Island B were online this would only satisfy SA_1 pre-contingency. Adding Quarantine 5 or 2 x Dry Creek post-contingency will satisfy the SA_4 and SA_7 combinations post-contingency.

2.2.1 Non-synchronous generation

The limitation on non-synchronous generation includes all semi-scheduled, batteries and non-scheduled plant in South Australia, except where studies show the plant has no impact (positive or negative). New plant are temporarily excluded while undergoing commissioning and R2 model validation is completed – these are included once confirmed with Electranet. Excluded plant includes:

- Hornsdale battery
- Dalrymple battery
- Lake Bonney battery

2.2.2 Transmission outages for four Synchronous Condensers in service

The non-synchronous generation level is limited to 2,200 MW for outages of all 275kV lines in SA except for the following:

- Belalie to Davenport 275kV line
- Para to Robertstown 275kV line
- One Para SVC
- One Davenport synchronous condenser
- One Robertstown synchronous condenser

2.3 Risk of Islanding or SA Island

2.3.1 Generator combinations for Four Synchronous Condensers

The generator combinations for four synchronous condensers are the same as the system normal combinations for four synchronous condensers.

The non-synchronous generation level and individual generator limits are the same as in section 2.3.4.

- All non-synchronous generators (except the Hornsdale, Dalrymple and Lake Bonney batteries) limited to 1900 MW
- Total generation at Cathedral Rocks limited to 60 MW under risk of islanding. 10 MW when SA is an island.
- Total generation at Canunda limited to 35 MW and 23 turbines online

- If the Lake Bonney tripping scheme is out of service or SA is an island – the total generation at Lake Bonney (1, 2 and 3) limited to 60 MW and 41 turbines online

2.3.2 Generator combinations for zero or two Synchronous Condensers

Table 2 summarises the generator combinations that are needed for risk or island or SA islanding. The combinations for an SA island is to provide sufficient inertia, frequency responsive plant and generation enabled in the over-frequency generation shedding scheme (OFGS) to ensure power system security is maintained in the South Australia island following a credible contingency.

Table 2 SA risk of islanding/islanding minimum generator combinations with zero or two syn cons in service

| Combination | Non-sync generation level | Syn Cons | Torrens Island B | Pelican Point* | Osborne GT + ST# | Quarantine 5 | Dry Creek | Mintaro | BIPS | Secure for Island |
|-------------|---------------------------|----------|------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|-----------|---------|------|-------------------|
| SA_ISLE_30 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_31 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_32 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_33 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_34 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_35 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | 2 | | 1 | | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_36 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_37 | ≤ 1,900 MW | 2 | 3 | | | | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_41 | ≤ 1,800 MW | 2 | 2 | | | | | | 8 | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_42 | ≤ 1,800 MW | 2 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_43 | ≤ 1,800 MW | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | | | 8 | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_44 | ≤ 1,800 MW | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_45 | ≤ 1,500 MW | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | 2 | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_46 | ≤ 1,500 MW | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | | | 8 | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_47 | ≤ 1,500 MW | 2 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_48 | ≤ 1,550 MW | 2 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 8 | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_50 | ≤ 1,550 MW | 2 | 1 | | | | 2 | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_51 | ≤ 1,550 MW | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_60 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_61 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | 2 | | | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_62 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | | | FALSE |
| SA_ISLE_63 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_64 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_65 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | 1 | | | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_66 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | | 1 | | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_67 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | 1 | | | 2 | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_68 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | | 1 | | 2 | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_69 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_70 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | TRUE |

| Combination | Non-sync generation level | Syn Cons | Torrens Island B | Pelican Point* | Osborne GT + ST# | Quarantine 5 | Dry Creek | Mintaro | BIPS | Secure for Island |
|-------------|---------------------------|----------|------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|-----------|---------|------|-------------------|
| SA_ISLE_71 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | | | 1 | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_72 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_73 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 2 | | | 1 | 2 | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_74 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_75 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | | 2 | | 1 | 2 | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_76 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_77 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_78 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_79 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 3 | | 1 | | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_80 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 3 | 1 | | | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_81 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 3 | | | 1 | | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_82 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 3 | | | | | 1 | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_83 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 3 | | | | 2 | | | TRUE |
| SA_ISLE_84 | ≤ 1,300 MW | | 4 | | | | | | | TRUE |

* Pelican point number covers the GTs only. The steam turbine can be in or out of service. This only applies to 0 or 4 syn cons in service.

Osborne steam turbine can be in or out of service. This only applies for 4 syn cons in service.

2.3.3 Other limits for zero Synchronous Condensers

The following limits apply when SA is on a credible risk of island or operating as an island:

- All non-synchronous generators (except the Hornsdale, Dalrymple and Lake Bonney batteries) limited to 1300 MW
- Total generation at Bungala 1 and 2 limited to 130 MW
- Lake Bonney (1, 2 and 3) and Canunda are likely to trip on islanding of SA so these units need to be limited so that the impact on SA is no more than 50 MW loss

For SA operating as an island Total Generation at Lake Bonney (1, 2 and 3) and Canunda limited to 50 MW and a maximum of 14 turbines at Lake Bonney (1,2 and 3) and a maximum of 5 turbines at Canunda.

2.3.4 Other limits for two Synchronous Condensers

The following limits apply when SA is on a credible risk of island or operating as an island:

- All non-synchronous generators (except the Hornsdale, Dalrymple and Lake Bonney batteries) limited to 1900 MW
- Total generation at Cathedral Rocks limited to 10 MW
- Total generation at Canunda limited to 35 MW and 23 turbines online
- Total generation at Lake Bonney (1, 2 and 3) limited to 60 MW and 41 turbines online

Glossary

This document uses many terms that have meanings defined in the National Electricity Rules (NER). The NER meanings are adopted unless otherwise specified.

| Term | Definition |
|---------------------|--|
| Constraint equation | These are the mathematical representations that AEMO uses to model power system limitations and FCAS requirements in National Electricity Market Dispatch Engine (NEMDE). |
| System normal | The configuration of the power system where: <ul style="list-style-type: none">All transmission elements are in service, orThe network is operating in its normal network configuration |