

Gas Amendment (Definition of Tariff Customer) Regulation 1996

under the

Gas Supply Act 1996

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Gas Supply Act 1996*.

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Explanatory note

The object of this Regulation is to amend the Gas Regulation 1991:

- (a) to declare persons whose consumption of natural gas is less than 10 terajoules per year to be *tariff customers* for the purposes of the *Gas Supply Act 1996*, and
- (b) to make other amendments consequential on the enactment of the *Gas* Supply Act 1996.

One of the amendments renames the *Gas Regulation 1991* as the *Gas Supply Regulation 1991*.

This Regulation is made under the *Gas Supply Act 1996*, including section 83 (the general regulation making power), clause 1 of Schedule 2 (the power to make regulations of a savings or transitional nature) and the definition of *tariff customer* in the Dictionary to that Act.

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the Gas Amendment (Definition of Tariff Customer) Regulation 1996.

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 12 July 1996.

3 Amendment of Gas Regulation 1991

The Gas Regulation 1991 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

4 Explanatory note

The explanatory note does not form part of this Regulation.

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Amendments

Schedule 1

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(Clause 3)

[1] Clause1

Insert "Supply" after "Gas".

[2] Clause 3 Definitions

Omit the definitions of *authorised gas distributor*, gas installation and gasfltting work.

[3] Clause 3(1), definition of "Gas Controller"

Omit "Office". Insert instead "Department".

[4] Clause 3 (2)

Insert "and" after "pressure;" in clause 3 (2) (b).

[5] Clause 4

Insert after clause 3:

4 Definition of tariff customer

Any person who is supplied with natural gas, at a rate of 10 terajoules per year or less, by means of an authorised reticulator's distribution system is declared to be a tariff customer for the purposes of the definition of *tariff customer* in the Dictionary to the Act.

[6] Clauses 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19, 25, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 44, 45, 46

Omit "gas distributor" and "gas distributor's" wherever occurring. Insert instead "network operator" and "network operator's", respectively.

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[7] Clauses 7,9, 18, 30

Omit "reticulation system" wherever occurring. Insert instead "distribution system".

[8] Part 3 heading

Omit "RETICULATION". Insert instead "DISTRIBUTION".

[9] Clauses 10A Certificates of compliance

Omit "area of operations" wherever occurring. Insert instead "distribution district".

[10] Clause 10A (1)

Omit "an authorised gas distributor". Insert instead "a network operator".

[11] Clause 10A (4), (5)

Omit "authorised gas distributor" wherever occurring. Insert instead "network operator".

[12] Clauses 14, 15, 16, 27, 28, 29, 31,32, 33, 38, 43, 44, 46

Omit "gas user" and "gas user's" wherever occurring. Insert instead "customer" and "customer's" respectively.

[13] Clauses 36, 38, 39

Omit "a gas distributor", "A gas distributor" and "the gas distributor" wherever occurring.

Insert instead "an authorised supplier or licensed distributor", "An authorised supplier or licensed distributor" and "the authorised supplier or licensed distributor", respectively.

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[14] Clause 38 Information to be included in gas accounts

Omit "NSW Office" from clause 38 (2) (c). Insert instead "Department".

[15] Clause 39 Payment not to be demanded until account rendered

Omit "Office" from clause 39 (6). Insert instead "Department".

[16] Part 7

Omit the Part.

[17] Clause 52

Insert after clause 51:

Part 9 Transitional provisions consequent on the enactment of the Gas Supply Act 1996

52 Variation of conditions of authorisations arising under clause 3 of Schedule 2 to the Act

- (1) This clause applies to an authorisation arising under clause 3 of Schedule 2 to the Act.
- (2) Section 12 of the Act applies to the variation of the conditions of an authorisation to which this clause applies (including any condition that relates to the price that may be charged for the supply of gas) in the same way as it applies to the variation of the conditions of an authorisation granted under section 9 of the Act.
- (3) This clause is subject to clause 3 (3) of Schedule 2 to the Act.