



New South Wales

Gas Supply Amendment (Transitional Exemptions) 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 Supply Regulation 1991* so as to allow certain persons to continue to distribute and supply natural gas and liquefied petroleum gas pending the determination of their applications for the appropriate authorisation or licence.

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

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Gas Supply Amendment (Transitional Exemptions) Regulation 1996*.

2 Amendment of Gas Supply Regulation 1991

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

3 Explanatory note

The explanatory note does not form part of this Regulation.

Schedule 1 Amendment

(Clause 2)

Clause 53

Insert after clause 52:

53 Transitional exemptions for certain suppliers and distributors

- (1) This clause applies to any person who, immediately before 12 July 1996, was an exempt supplier or distributor of gas under section 4 (2) of the old Act.
- (2) A person to whom this clause applies is exempt from the requirements of sections 5 (Prohibition of unauthorised gas reticulation and gas supply) and 34 (Prohibition of unlicensed distribution of LPG and other gases) of the new Act if:
 - (a) before 12 July 1996, the person had applied for an authorisation under the old Act, or
 - (b) on or after 12 July 1996, the person applies for an authorisation or licence, as the case requires, under the new Act.
- (3) In this clause:

the new Act means the *Gas Supply Act 1996*.

the old Act means the *Gas Industry Restructuring Act 1986*.
- (4) This clause:
 - (a) is taken to have commenced on 12 July 1996, and
 - (b) ceases to have effect on 1 April 1997.