

Sydney Water Catchment Management Transitional Regulation 1999

under the

Sydney Water Catchment Management Act 1998

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Sydney Water Catchment Management Act 1998*.

BOB DEBUS M.P.

Minister for the Environment

Explanatory note

The Sydney Water Catchment Management Act 1998 (the Act) constitutes the Sydney Catchment Authority (the Authority) and confers on it certain functions, including functions with respect to the supply of water to Sydney Water Corporation (the Corporation).

Under Division 4 of Part 3 of the Act, the Authority and the Corporation are required to enter into arrangements regarding the supply of water by the Authority to the Corporation. The Treasurer is to be consulted about the terms of the arrangements before their finalisation. There must be public exhibition of the arrangements, and the Authority must consider any representations made by the public before it enters into the arrangements. The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of New South Wales must furnish a report on the proposed arrangements to the Minister, the Authority and the Corporation, and the arrangements must not be entered into except after consultation with that

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Tribunal. Further, the arrangements have no effect unless or until they are approved by the Minister.

The object of this Regulation is to provide, as a transitional matter, for interim arrangements between the Authority and the Corporation pending their entering into arrangements in accordance with Division 4 of Part 3.

This Regulation is made under the *Sydney Water Catchment Management Act* 1998 and, in particular, under section 74 (the general regulation-making power) and clause 1 of Schedule 6 (which provides for the making of regulations containing provisions of a saving or transitional nature consequent on the enactment of the Act).

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the Sydney Water Catchment Management Transitional Regulation 1999.

2 Definition

In this Regulation:

the Act means the *Sydney Water Catchment Management Act* 1998.

3 Notes

The explanatory note and table of contents do not form part of this Regulation.

4 Interim arrangements for supply of water by Authority to Sydney Water Corporation

- (1) The Authority and the Sydney Water Corporation may enter into interim arrangements regarding the supply of water by the Authority to the Corporation.
- (2) The matters with which the interim arrangements are to deal include the following:
 - (a) the standard of quality of the water supplied,
 - (b) the continuity of water supply,
 - (c) the maintenance of adequate reserves of water by the Authority,
 - (d) the cost to be paid by the Corporation for the supply of water to it.
- (3) Any such interim arrangements:
 - (a) are not arrangements to which Division 4 of Part 3 of the Act applies, and
 - (b) may be amended or replaced from time to time, and

(c) are to be entered into, amended or replaced in accordance with any procedures determined by the Premier or are taken to be entered into, amended or replaced in such terms as are determined by the Premier.

5 Duration of interim arrangements

Interim arrangements entered into, amended or replaced in accordance with clause 4 cease to have effect:

- (a) on the first date on which arrangements between the Authority and the Sydney Water Corporation regarding the supply of water by the Authority to the Corporation take effect under Division 4 of Part 3 of the Act, or
- (b) on 1 November 1999,

whichever date first occurs.

6 Requirement to enter into arrangements

- (1) The requirement that the Authority enter into arrangements with the Sydney Water Corporation under Division 4 of Part 3 of the Act does not apply during any period in which any interim arrangements referred to in clause 4 have effect.
- (2) However, nothing in subclause (1) prevents the Authority and the Sydney Water Corporation from entering into arrangements under that Division during the period concerned.

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