

Gas Supply (Customer Protection) Amendment (Natural Gas Retail Competition) Regulation 2001

under the

Gas Supply Act 1996

Her 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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Minister for Energy

Explanatory note

The object of this Regulation is to amend the *Gas Supply (Customer Protection)* Regulation 1997 as a consequence of the making of the *Gas Supply (Natural Gas Retail Competition)* Regulation 2001. This Regulation omits from the 1997 Regulation matters that are dealt with in the 2001 Regulation.

This Regulation is made under the *Gas Supply Act 1996*, including section 83 (the general power to make regulations).

Clause 1

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Gas Supply (Customer Protection) Amendment (Natural Gas Retail Competition) Regulation 2001.*

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 1 January 2002.

3 Amendment of Gas Supply (Customer Protection) Regulation 1997

The Gas Supply (Customer Protection) Regulation 1997 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Amendments Schedule 1

Schedule 1 Amendments

(Clause 3)

[1] The whole Regulation

Omit "authorisation or", "supplier,", "supplier's or" and "supplier or" wherever occurring.

[2] Clause 1 Name of Regulation

Insert "—LPG and Other Gases" after "Customer Protection".

[3] Clause 3 Definitions

Omit the definitions of *customer* and *small customer*. Insert instead:

customer means a person who is supplied with gas (other than natural gas) at a rate of 100 Gigajoules per year or less.

[4] Clause 3, definition of "customer council"

Omit paragraph (a).

[5] Clause 3, note

Omit the note at the end of the clause.

[6] Clause 4 Object of this Regulation: section 83 (3)

Omit "standard form" from clause 4 (a). Insert instead "customer supply".

[7] Clause 5

Omit the clause.

[8] Clause 7 Establishment of customer councils

Omit clause 7 (1) and (4).

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[9] Clause 7 (2)

Omit "small" wherever occurring.

[10] Clause 7 (3)

Omit the subclause. Insert instead:

(3) A distributor that is also a supplier is not required to establish a customer council in its capacity as a distributor if it has established a customer council in its capacity as a supplier.

[11] Clause 9 Procedure of customer councils

Omit "supplier's customer council or" from clause 9 (2) (a).

[12] Clause 11 Procedure for preparing customer service code

Omit clause 11 (1).