



New South Wales

# Electricity Supply (General) Amendment (Solar Bonus Scheme) Regulation 2009

under the

Electricity Supply Act 1995

Her Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Electricity Supply Act 1995*.

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Minister for Energy

## Explanatory note

The object of this Regulation is to make provision with respect to the solar bonus scheme established by the *Electricity Supply Amendment (Solar Bonus Scheme) Act 2009*. That scheme permits a small retail customer to install and connect a small renewable energy generator to the electricity distribution network and to receive a credit for electricity supplied to the network.

This Regulation requires a bill issued to such a customer to include the amount of electricity supplied to the network during the billing period and the amount to be credited for that electricity.

This Regulation also prescribes additional criteria that must be satisfied before a credit can be paid to a small retail customer under the scheme. These criteria are that the electricity in respect of which the customer receives the credit must be produced by only one generator, the electricity must be supplied to the distribution network by way of an inverter having a capacity of no more than 10 kilowatts and any solar photovoltaic generator must be installed by a person who is accredited by the Clean Energy Council.

This Regulation is made under the *Electricity Supply Act 1995*, including section 191 (the general regulation-making power).

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**1 Name of Regulation**

This Regulation is the *Electricity Supply (General) Amendment (Solar Bonus Scheme) Regulation 2009*.

**2 Commencement**

- (1) This Regulation commences on 1 January 2010 except as provided by subclause (2).
- (2) Schedule 1 [1] commences on 1 July 2010.

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## **Schedule 1      Amendment of Electricity Supply (General) Regulation 2001**

### **[1]    Clause 24 Contents of bill**

Insert after clause 24 (2):

- (2A) The information to be included in a bill issued by the licence holder under a customer contract must include the following if the customer is a small retail customer who has a complying generator installed and connected:
- (a) the amount of electricity supplied to the distribution network by the small retail customer during the billing period (or in the case of the first bill to include such information—the amount of electricity supplied up to and during the billing period), and
  - (b) the amount to be credited to the small retail customer in respect of that electricity.

### **[2]    Clause 114A**

Insert after clause 114:

#### **114A    Additional criteria for receiving credit under solar bonus scheme**

For the purposes of section 191 (1A) (k) of the Act, the additional criteria are as follows:

- (a) a credit must not be recorded in respect of a small retail customer for electricity produced by more than one generator,
- (b) a credit must not be recorded in respect of electricity produced by a generator that connects to the distribution network by way of an inverter if the inverter has a capacity of more than 10 kilowatts,
- (c) a credit must not be recorded in respect of electricity produced by a solar photovoltaic generator installed and connected after the commencement of section 15A of the Act unless the generator was installed by a person, who at the time of the installation had a Grid-connect Design & Install accreditation from the Clean Energy Council.