#### South Australia

# Waterworks Variation Regulations 2007

under the Waterworks Act 1932

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## Part 1—Preliminary

#### 1—Short title

These regulations may be cited as the Waterworks Variation Regulations 2007.

#### 2—Commencement

These regulations will come into operation on 1 July 2007.

#### **3—Variation provisions**

In these regulations, a provision under a heading referring to the variation of specified regulations varies the regulations so specified.

## Part 2—Variation of Waterworks Regulations 1996

#### 4—Insertion of Part 6 Division 1A

Part 6—after Division 1 insert:

#### **Division 1A—Water efficiency plans**

## 32AA—Application of Division

- (1) This Division applies to a person, or a class of persons, declared by the Minister by notice in the Gazette to be a person or class of persons to whom this Division applies.
- (2) A declaration made under this regulation may include any exceptions or limitations the Minister thinks fit.
- (3) The Minister may, by notice in the Gazette, vary or revoke a declaration made under this regulation.

#### 32AB—Preparation of water efficiency plans

(1) A person to whom this Division applies must prepare and submit to the Minister for approval a draft water efficiency plan in accordance with Schedule 3.

#### Maximum penalty:

- (a) in the case of a body corporate—\$10 000;
- (b) in the case of a natural person—\$5 000.

Expiation fee: \$315.

- (2) The Minister may—
  - (a) approve a draft water efficiency plan submitted under this regulation without alteration or with such alteration as the Minister thinks fit; or
  - (b) refer the draft water efficiency plan back to the person for further consideration in accordance with any requirement determined by the Minister.
- (3) A person who fails to comply with a requirement imposed under subregulation (2)(b) is guilty of an offence.

### Maximum penalty:

- (a) in the case of a body corporate—\$10 000;
- (b) in the case of a natural person—\$5 000.

Expiation fee: \$315.

(4) Before making any alterations to the draft water efficiency plan, the Minister must consult with the person who submitted the plan.

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- (5) A person who submitted a water efficiency plan may submit to the Minister for approval a substitute water efficiency plan, or a variation of a water efficiency plan, at any time while that water efficiency plan is in force.
- (6) If the Minister approves a draft water efficiency plan, a draft substitute water efficiency plan or a draft variation of a water efficiency plan, the Minister must, by notice in writing given within 14 days after approving the plan or variation, advise the person who submitted the plan or variation—
  - (a) that the Minister has approved the plan or variation (as the case requires); and
  - (b) the day on which the plan or variation (as the case requires) was approved.
- (7) A water efficiency plan approved under this regulation is in force from the day on which the Minister gives notice under subregulation (6), and expires—
  - (a) on the fifth anniversary of that day; or
  - (b) on such earlier day as may be specified by the Minister by notice in writing given to the person who submitted the plan.
- (8) A substitute water efficiency plan, or an amendment to a water efficiency plan, is in force from the day on which the Minister gives notice under subregulation (6) and expires on the same day as the original water efficiency plan.

## 5—Insertion of Schedule 3

After Schedule 2 insert:

# Schedule 3—Water efficiency plans

### 1—Preparation of water efficiency plans

A draft water efficiency plan must be prepared and submitted to the Minister for approval—

- (a) in the case of a new water efficiency plan—not later than the date specified by the Minister by notice in the Gazette; or
- (b) in the case of a water efficiency plan that is to replace an expiring plan—not later than the day on which the existing water efficiency plan expires.

## 2—Contents of water efficiency plans

A draft water efficiency plan must include the following information:

(a) a description of the person's current water usage;

- (b) a list of water savings measures (expressed in terms of water saved, cost effectiveness and potential benefits) that the person proposes to implement in the 5 year period following approval of the water efficiency plan (including initial set up costs and annual costs for each measure and time frames for implementation);
- (c) any other information required by the Minister by notice in the Gazette, or by notice in writing given to the person.

#### Note—

As required by section 10AA(2) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1978*, the Minister has certified that, in the Minister's opinion, it is necessary or appropriate that these regulations come into operation as set out in these regulations.

#### Made by the Governor

with the advice and consent of the Executive Council on 28 June 2007

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