

South Australia

# **Natural Resources Management (Financial Provisions) (Meters) Variation Regulations 2019**

under the *Natural Resources Management Act 2004*

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## **Part 1—Preliminary**

### **1—Short title**

These regulations may be cited as the *Natural Resources Management (Financial Provisions) (Meters) Variation Regulations 2019*.

### **2—Commencement**

These regulations come into operation on 1 July 2019.

### **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 *Natural Resources Management (Financial Provisions) Regulations 2005***

### **4—Variation of regulation 12—Meters owned by Minister**

Regulation 12(2)—after "service," insert:

test,

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## 5—Variation of regulation 13—Meters owned by other persons

Regulation 13(2)—after "service," insert:

test,

## 6—Variation of regulation 14—Provisions applying to meters generally

(1) Regulation 14(5)—after "a meter" insert:

or its associated infrastructure

(2) Regulation 14(5)—after "the meter" second occurring insert:

or its associated infrastructure

(3) Regulation 14(6)—before the definition of *responsible person* insert:

*associated infrastructure* means any infrastructure, pipe or connecting part related to a meter that the Minister determines to be necessary to maintain the accuracy of a meter;

## 7—Variation of regulation 15—Requirements as to installation, repair, testing etc of meters

(1) Regulation 15(1)—delete "must be rated by the manufacturer to an accuracy of at least plus or minus 2 per cent" and substitute:

must—

(a) be rated by the manufacturer to an accuracy of at least plus or minus 2.5%; and

(b) meet any other specifications approved by the Minister.

(2) Regulation 15(3)—after "service," insert:

test,

(3) Regulation 15(3)—after "meter" insert:

or its associated infrastructure

(4) Regulation 15(3)—delete "work" wherever occurring and substitute in each case:

testing or work

(5) Regulation 15—after subregulation (5) insert:

(6) In this regulation—

*associated infrastructure* means any infrastructure, pipe or connecting part related to a meter that the Minister determines to be necessary to maintain the accuracy of a meter.

## 8—Variation of regulation 16—Testing requirements

(1) Regulation 16(8) and (11)(a)—delete "determined" wherever occurring and substitute in each case:

approved

- (2) Regulation 16(11)—delete "2 per cent" and substitute:  
4%
- (3) Regulation 16(11)(b)—delete "2 per cent" and substitute:  
4%
- (4) Regulation 16(13)—delete subregulation (13) and substitute:  
(13) If the security seal that connects the meter register to the meter body is broken at any stage relating to the removal, testing, refurbishment or reinstallation of a meter, the seal must be replaced by a person approved by the Minister.
- (5) Regulation 16—delete subregulation (16) and substitute:  
(16) Despite a preceding subregulation—
- (a) a meter may, with the approval of the Minister, be tested without being removed; and
  - (b) any such testing of a meter on site must be conducted in accordance with any specifications approved by the Minister (including, without limitation, as to the accuracy rating of the meter); and
  - (c) if a meter tested under this subregulation is found to be outside the accuracy rating specified by the Minister under paragraph (b)—
    - (i) the meter must be refurbished in accordance with specifications approved by the Minister; and
    - (ii) if the meter is removed as part of its refurbishment, the meter must be reinstalled in accordance with specifications approved by the Minister; and
    - (iii) the Minister must, after the refurbishment of the meter, be provided with a certificate of accuracy (certifying the accuracy of the meter to within an accuracy rating set out in specifications approved by the Minister).

## **9—Insertion of regulation 16A**

After regulation 16 insert:

### **16A—Minister's specifications**

For the purposes of this Part, specifications approved by the Minister may be of general, limited or varied application according to—

- (a) whether the meter is tested on site or following the meter's removal; or
- (b) any other specified circumstances or factor to which the Minister's specifications are expressed to apply.

**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 13 June 2019

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