South Australia

Electricity (General) (Planning and Forecasting Function) Amendment Regulations 2024

under the Electricity Act 1996

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Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *Electricity (General) (Planning and Forecasting Function) Amendment Regulations 2024.*

2—Commencement

These regulations come into operation on the day on which they are made.

Part 2—Amendment of Electricity (General) Regulations 2012

3—Insertion of regulation 13B

After regulation 13A insert:

13B—Functions of Technical Regulator—planning and forecasting

- (1) For the purposes of section 8(d) of the Act, the Technical Regulator has (in addition to the Technical Regulator's functions under the Act) the following functions:
 - (a) undertaking planning and forecasting activities to assess the least cost pathway for the development of the South Australian power system;
 - (b) providing a report to the Minister on the least cost pathway for the development of the South Australian power system—
 - (i) at the frequency directed by the Minister under subregulation (2)(a); or

- (ii) if no direction under subregulation (2)(a) is in effect—at least twice in each year;
- (c) advising the Minister (on the Technical Regulator's own initiative or at the request of the Minister) on the development of the South Australian power system.
- (2) The Minister may, in relation to the performance of the Technical Regulator's reporting function under subregulation (1)(b), by written notice, direct the Technical Regulator about—
 - (a) how frequently the Technical Regulator must provide a report to the Minister; and
 - (b) any objectives, principles, standards or targets which the Technical Regulator must take into account when preparing a report; and
 - (c) the period into the future that the Technical Regulator must consider in a report; and
 - (d) any constraints which the Technical Regulator must consider when preparing a report.
- (3) In addition, the Technical Regulator must, on an annual basis, prepare and publish on a website maintained by the Technical Regulator a report on the least cost pathway for the development of the South Australian power system.
- (4) The Minister may, by written notice, specify—
 - (a) the manner and form in which a report under subregulation (3) is to be prepared; and
 - (b) information which must be included in a report under subregulation (3); and
 - (c) the period within which a report under subregulation (3) is to be prepared and published.

Editorial note—

As required by section 10AA(2) of the *Legislative Instruments 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 14 March 2024

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