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NOTICE OF DECISION

Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Amendment Regulations 2016

I, Lily D'Ambrosio, Minister for Energy and Resources, and Minister responsible for administering the **Electricity Safety Act 1998**, give notice under section 12 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** as follows:

A Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) was prepared in relation to the proposed Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Further Amendment Regulations. The RIS was advertised to invite public comment on 25 November 2015. Seven submissions were received and considered.

I have decided that the proposed Regulations be made with the following amendments:

The commencement date has been set as 1 May 2016, with obligations in respect required capacity under new regulations 7 (1)(ha) and 7(3) consequentially changed from 1 January to 1 May for each stage (1 May 2019, 1 May 2021 and 1 May 2023 respectively). Obligations under new regulations 7(1)(hd) are also consequentially changed to 1 May 2023.

Electric line construction areas will be determined by reference to maps held by the Central Plan Office, rather than through a separate declaration by the Emergency Management Commissioner, for the purpose of new regulation 7(1)(hc).

The name of the proposed Regulations has changed to the Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Amendment Regulations 2016. They are no longer referred to as 'Further' amendments as no other amendments to the Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Regulations 2013 have been made this year.

There have also been some minor formatting and typographical changes.

Dated 18 April 2016

HON. LILY D'AMBROSIO MP
Minister for Energy and Resources

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