



Notice

22 August 2014

Comment invited on proposed amendments to the Compendium of Gas Customer Licence Obligations (gas customer protections)

The Economic Regulation Authority is seeking public comment on proposed amendments to the Compendium of Gas Customer Licence Obligations (Compendium).

- Compendium (marked up)
- Compendium (clean)

The Compendium forms Schedule 2 of gas trading and gas distribution licences. It sets service standards for the supply of gas to residential and small business customers. The Compendium addresses issues such as billing, payment, financial hardship, disconnection and reconnection.

To ensure both gas and electricity customers receive the same level of protection, the protections provided to gas customers under the Compendium mirror, to the extent possible, those provided to electricity customers under the Code of Conduct for the Supply of Electricity to Small Use Customers (Electricity Code).

Following the amendment of the Electricity Code on 1 July 2014, the Authority proposes similar amendments to the Compendium to retain consistency between customer protections for the electricity and gas industries.

Some further minor amendments are proposed to improve readability and clarity. The Authority also proposes amendments to the provisions dealing with limitations on disconnection for failure to pay a bill (clause 7.2(1)(b)) and disconnection under dual fuel contracts (clause 7.3).

Drafting notes are included in the marked-up Compendium to assist readers to understand the proposed changes. Changes shown without drafting notes are those that flow from the recent changes to the Electricity Code

Interested parties are invited to make submissions on the proposed amendments by 4:00 pm (WST) on Wednesday 17 September 2014.

Submissions should be marked to the attention of the Assistant Director Customer Protection.

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