Australian Capital Territory

Electricity Feed-in (Renewable Energy Premium) Reporting Determination 2015 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2015–263

made under the

Electricity Feed-in (Renewable Energy Premium) Act 2008, s11B (Electricity distributors to give information to Minister)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Under section 11A of the *Electricity Feed-in (Renewable Energy Premium) Act 2008* (the Act), the Minister is required to publish an annual report on the number and capacity of compliant renewable energy generators installed on premises in the ACT, and the costs under the Act on electricity users.

Section 11B requires the Minister to determine, by a disallowable instrument, the information required from NERL Retailers and the electricity distributor to prepare the report under s11A. This disallowable instrument contains these requirements and has been developed through consultation with electricity retailers and the distributor.

The requirement to publish an annual report is designed to reduce the reporting burden on industry by replacing monthly and quarterly reporting requirement administered by two different agencies into a single annual reporting requirement. These changes were made as part of the *Electricity Feed-in Tariff Schemes Legislation Amendment Bill 2015* which was passed by the Assembly on 4 June 2015.

This reduction in reporting burden benefits the industry and does not impose any appreciable costs on the community. The industry already reports on the scheme and has systems in place to provide this information. Therefore a Regulatory Impact Statement is not required.

The annual reporting is also intended to provide a transparent and easily accessible source of information to the community on the operation of the Act.

Clause 1

This clause names this instrument.

Clause 2

This clause provides for date of commencement.

Clause 3

Clause 3 specifies that the information requested in this instrument must be provided by 30 September of each year for the preceding financial year.

Clause 4

This clause determines the information required to be provided by NERL Retailers to the Minister.

This information will enable the estimation of the costs to electricity users of renewable energy generators connected under the Act, as required under section 11A of the Act.

Clause 5

This clause determines the information required to be provided by the electricity distributor to the Minister.

This information will enable the estimation of total number of compliant renewable energy generators connected under the Act, including year to year changes, installed capacity, as well as the associated costs, as required under section 11A of the Act.