

Gas Amendment Act 2001

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The Parliament of New Zealand enacts as follows:

1 Title

- (1) This Act is the Gas Amendment Act 2001.
- (2) In this Act, the Gas Act 1992 is called “the principal Act”.

2 Commencement

This Act comes into force on the day after the date on which it receives the Royal assent.

3 Application

Section 3(2) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after the words “Nothing in this Act”, the words “(other than sections 54(1)(n)(ii) and 55)”.

4 Regulations

- (1) Section 54(2)(a) of the principal Act is amended by adding the words “or any official standard”.
- (2) Section 54(2)(b) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after subparagraph (i), the following subparagraph:
 - “(ia) any official standard, or any part of an official standard; or”.
- (3) Section 54 of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after subsection (2), the following subsections:
 - “(2A) Regulations may require compliance with an official standard (or a specified part of an official standard) that relates to the subject matter of the regulations by referring to it in the regulations (with any additions or variations that may be specified in the regulations).
 - “(2B) That official standard (or the specified part), as it existed on the date of the inclusion (but with any specified additions or variations) is then deemed to form part of the regulations.”

5 Regulations relating to information disclosure

- (1) Section 55(1)(c) of the principal Act is amended by omitting the words “which information shall include”, and substituting the words “which information may include”.
- (2) Section 55(1) of the principal Act is amended by repealing paragraph (g), and substituting the following paragraph:
 - “(g) requiring, in respect of statements or information required from pipeline owners,—
 - “(i) the adoption, in the preparation or compilation of those statements or that information, of such methodology as is prescribed in the regulations or in any document published by or under the authority of the Secretary and referred to in the regulations:
 - “(ii) the disclosure, in the prescribed manner, of the methodology adopted in the preparation or compilation of those statements or that information:
 - “(iii) the inclusion of any matters prescribed in any document published by or under the authority of the Secretary and referred to in the regulations:”.
- (3) Section 55 of the principal Act is amended by repealing subsection (2), and substituting the following subsection:

- “(2) The regulations may not require the disclosure of the names of the parties to, or the terms and conditions of, contracts made before 1 August 1990 but, if the contract is modified after that date, the regulations may require the disclosure of information as to the modification, the term or condition that has been modified (including its context), and the names (or characteristics) of the parties.”
- (4) Section 55 of the principal Act is amended by adding the following subsection:
- “(4) References in this section to pipeline owners, gas wholesalers, gas retailers, and gas distributors include any person that is or was such a person for any part of a financial year.”

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