Australian Capital Territory

Utilities (ACT Retail Electricity—Transparency and Comparability Code) Variation 2023

**Disallowable instrument DI2023-14**

made under the

Utilities Act 2000, section 61 (Variation) and section 63 (Public access)

**1 Name of instrument**

This instrument is the *Utilities (ACT Retail Electricity–Transparency and Comparability Code) Variation 2023*.

**2 Commencement**

This instrument commences the day after notification.

**3** **Meaning of *transparency and comparability code***

In this instrument:

***transparency and comparability code*** means the *Utilities (ACT Retail Electricity – Transparency and Comparability Code) Determination 2021* [DI2021-182].

**4 Variation of transparency and comparability code**

The transparency and comparabilitycode is varied as set out in the schedule.

**5 Revocation**

The *Utilities (ACT Retail Electricity – Transparency and Comparability Code) Variation 2022* DI2022-103 is revoked.

**6 Public access to documents**

Copies of the code as varied by this instrument are available on the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission’s website. These documents are also available for inspection by members of the public between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday to Friday at the Commission’s office. Hard copies can be made available on request.

Joe Dimasi

Senior Commissioner

14 February 2023

**The transparency and comparability Code (October 2021) is varied as follows:**

**Preliminary**

At clause 1.2 remove the words:

The obligations in clauses 3.3 and 3.4 will commence 9 months after the commencement of the code or on a later date determined by the **ICRC**.

**Better offer notification on bills**

Omit clauses 3.3 and 3.4.

**Transitional arrangements**

At clause 3.5 substitute the current wording with

Until the earlier of either **a NERL retailer** becoming compliant with the AER Better Bills Guideline or 30 September 2023, **a NERL retailer** will be required to give its **small customers** a **transitional better offer message**.

**Transitional better offer message**

Omit part 4 of clause 3.5.1

**Period of effect**

At clause 3.5.2 substitute the current wording with:

Clause 3.5 will cease to have effect from 30 September 2023.