Utilities (Technical Regulation) (Electricity Network Boundary Code) Approval 2017

Disallowable instrument DI2017-281

made under the

Utilities (Technical Regulation) Act 2014, section 14 (Technical codes—approval)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Background

This Code is a technical code under part 3 of the *Utilities (Technical Regulation) Act* 2014 (the Act). The Act provides a technical regulatory framework for regulated utilities in the Australian Capital Territory. Section 14 of the Act authorises the Minister to approve a technical code recommended by the technical regulator under section 13 of the Act.

Approval

This Disallowable Instrument is the *Utilities (Technical Regulation) (Electricity Network Boundary Code) Approval 2017* and approves the Electricity Network Boundary Code provided in the schedule to the instrument.

Purpose of the Code

The Electricity Network Boundary Code (the Code) defines the boundary between:

- (1) a transmission network and an electricity network;
- (2) the electricity network of one person and the electricity network of another person, where those electricity networks are connected;
- an electricity distributor's electricity network and a customer's premises.

Outline

This Code applies to TransGrid and ActewAGL Distribution as licensed electricity transmission utilities under part 3 of the *Utilities Act 2000*. In the case that TransGrid or ActewAGL Distribution transfers its licence to another entity, and the transfer of the licence is approved by the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission under the *Utilities Act 2000*, this Code applies to the successor of the licence as a licensed electricity transmission utility.

Consultation

In accordance with section 13 of the Act, the technical regulator consulted the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission and ActewAGL Distribution in creating this Code.

TransGrid were not consulted, because there is no change to existing regulatory requirements for the transmission utility.

Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS)

A Regulatory Impact Statement has been provided for this disallowable instrument.