

Australian Capital Territory

Utilities Notice (Variation of Licence) 2002 (No 1) **Notifiable Instrument NI2002-276**

made under the

Utilities Act 2000, s 52 (1) (c) (Public notice of licence decisions)

The Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission (ICRC) has varied utility licences under section 38 of the *Utilities Act 2000*.

The variations are not notifiable instruments. However, a summary of the variations is included on the legislation register for information, namely:

1. Clause 15.2 of utility service licences issued under the *Utilities Act 2000* has been deleted and clause 15.1 has been amended to the effect that the licensee must pay to ICRC an annual licence fee determined in accordance with section 45 of the Act and that the payment of the fee be made in accordance with ICRC's determination;
2. ActewAGL Retail's licence for the supply of electricity has been amended such that ActewAGL Retail must provide retailer of last resort services if required and must comply with the retailer of last resort guidelines issued by ICRC;
3. The reporting requirements specified in ACTEW Corporation's water supply and sewerage services licence has been amended such that the "Government – ACT" and "Commonwealth Government places" customer categories have been collapsed into a new category entitled "identifiable government", and that ACTEW Corporation report at least annually on the volume of losses from the water network.

The variations took effect on 20 August 2002, except for the obligation placed on ActewAGL Retail to provide retailer of last resort services, which takes effect on the date that the Supplier of Last Resort Code is repealed.

Copies of licences are available for inspection during ordinary office hours from the ICRC, Level 7 Eclipse House, 197 London Circuit, Canberra City.

Licences are also available on the ICRC's website at www.icrc.act.gov.au and the ACT legislation register at www.legislation.act.gov.au

Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission

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