Central Ranges Pipeline Pty Ltd ACN 108 218 355

Details of authorisation

Gas Reticulator's Authorisation under the Gas Supply Act 1996.

Details concerning the conditions imposed by the Minister

Refer to the authorisation.

Determinations made by the Minister with respect to authorisations and their conditions

13 December 2005

Reticulator's Authorisation granted to Central Ranges Pipeline Pty Ltd for the local government areas of Dubbo City Council, Gilgandra Shire Council, Gunnedah Shire Council, Liverpool Plains Shire Council, Mid-Western Regional Council, Tamworth Regional Council, and Warrumbungle Shire Council.

9 January 2015

The Minister for Resources and Energy approved:

- ▼ the addition of Central Ranges Pipeline Pty Ltd and its distribution districts to the Standardised authorisation.
- changes to reflect corporate name changes from 'The Albury Gas Co Ltd' to 'Australian Gas Networks (Albury) Ltd', and from 'Envestra (NSW) Pty Ltd' to 'Australian Gas Networks (NSW) Pty Ltd'.
- the Wesfarmers Kleenheat Gas Pty Ltd authorisation be cancelled.



NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT

GAS SUPPLY ACT 1996

RETICULATOR'S AUTHORISATION

SCHEDULE

Reticulator's Authorisation

Conditions Imposed by the Minister under

s 11(1) (b) of the Gas Supply Act 1996

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4 Condition removed 24 June 2009 by notice published in Government Gazette No. 93 on 26 June 2009

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- A reticulator must maintain with a reputable insurance company, workers compensation insurance, public liability insurance and other insurances which it is necessary or prudent for it to maintain covering liability for it, its employees and agents for any loss or damage to property or for death or personal injury to any person for an amount which in all the circumstances is reasonable or for an amount which the *Minister* may from time to time specify.
- 5.2 A *reticulator* must produce to the *Minister* and the *Tribunal* on request satisfactory evidence that such insurance is in force.
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- The *reticulator* must indemnify the *Minister* and the *Tribunal* and shall keep them indemnified against loss or damage, (including legal costs on an indemnity basis and the cost of rectifying any breach by the *reticulator* of the *Act* or its *reticulator's* authorisation) which they may jointly or severally sustain arising from any of the following:
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Definitions

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retail market in New South Wales.

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premises Includes a building or part of a building, a structure or

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authorised supplier distribution district distribution pipeline reticulator reticulator's authorisation supplier supplier's authorisation Tribunal

Interpretation

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ATTACHMENT

Reticulators' Distribution districts

Each reticulator listed in this Attachment has a distribution district comprising the local government areas, or parts of local government areas, corresponding to that reticulator in this Attachment.

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| Australian Gas Networks (Albury) Ltd (ACN 000 001 249) | Albury, Berrigan, Conargo, Corowa, Deniliquin, Hume, Jerilderie, Murray |
| Allgas Energy Ltd (ACN 009 656 446) | Tweed, Narrabri |
| Australian Gas Networks (NSW) Pty Ltd (ACN 083 199 839) | Bombala, Cooma-Monaro, Cootamundra, Culcairn, Gundagai, Holbrook, Junee, Lockhart, Temora, Tumut, Wagga Wagga |
| Central Ranges Pipeline Pty Ltd (ACN 108 218 355) | Dubbo City Council, Gilgandra Shire Council, Gunnedah Shire Council, Liverpool Plains Shire Council, Mid-Western Regional Council, Tamworth Regional Council, Warrumbungle Shire Council |

Department of Water and Energy

WATER ACT 1912

APPLICATIONS for licences under section 10 of Part 2 of the Water Act 1912, have been received as follows:

William Michael NEVILLE and Heather Nancy NEVILLE for a pump on the Goulburn River, on part Lot 156, DP 753767, Parish Arndell, County Hunter, for irrigation of 6 hectares (split of existing entitlement) (Reference: 20SL061793).

William Michael NEVILLE and Heather Nancy NEVILLE for a pump on the Goulburn River, on an easement within Lot 156, DP 753767, Parish Arndell, County Hunter, for water supply for stock and domestic purposes (to proposed Lot 1, exempt from current 22BA embargo) (Reference: 20SL061795).

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Robert James LLOYD for a pump on Halls Creek, on an easement within Lot 40, DP 750963, Parish Wickham, County Brisbane, for water supply for stock and domestic purposes and irrigation of 7 hectares (split of existing entitlement, exempt from current 22BA embargo) (Reference: 20SL061804).

Written objections to the application specifying grounds thereof must be lodged with the Department of Water and Energy, PO Box 796, Murwillumbah NSW 2484, within 28 days of the date of publication.

D. MILLING, Manager, Licensing

WATER ACT 1912

APPLICATION for a licence under Part 5 of the Water Act, 1912, as amended, has been received as follows;

Murrumbidgee Valley

Jason William MARSH for a bore licence on Lot 145 DP754559, Parish of Mimosa, County of Mitchell for a water supply for irrigation purposes (cereals and pastures). Conversion of a test bore lodged prior to the existing embargo. New Licence. (Ref.40BL192145) Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (02) 6953 0700. Written objections, from any local occupier or statutory authority, specifying grounds and how their interests are affected, must be lodged with the Department of Water and Energy, PO Box 156, Leeton NSW 2705, within 28 days of the date of this publication.

S.F. WEBB, Licensing Manager

GAS SUPPLY ACT 1996

Section 12

Notice Of Variation of Conditions of Supplier's Authorisation

THIS Notice applies to the conditions of Supplier's Authorisation granted by the Minister for Energy on 9 July 2004 under section 11(1)(b) Gas Supply Act 1996. Under section 12 Gas Supply Act 1996 the conditions are varied as follows:

1. Clause 3 (Requirement to participate in an approved scheme) is deleted in its entirety.

All remaining conditions of the Supplier's Authorisation remain in force. This variation shall take effect on the 'changeover date' as defined in the National Gas Law adopted in New South Wales through the National Gas (New South Wales) Act 2008.

Dated at Sydney, this 24th day of June 2009.

IAN MACDONALD, M.L.C., Minister for Energy

GAS SUPPLY ACT 1996

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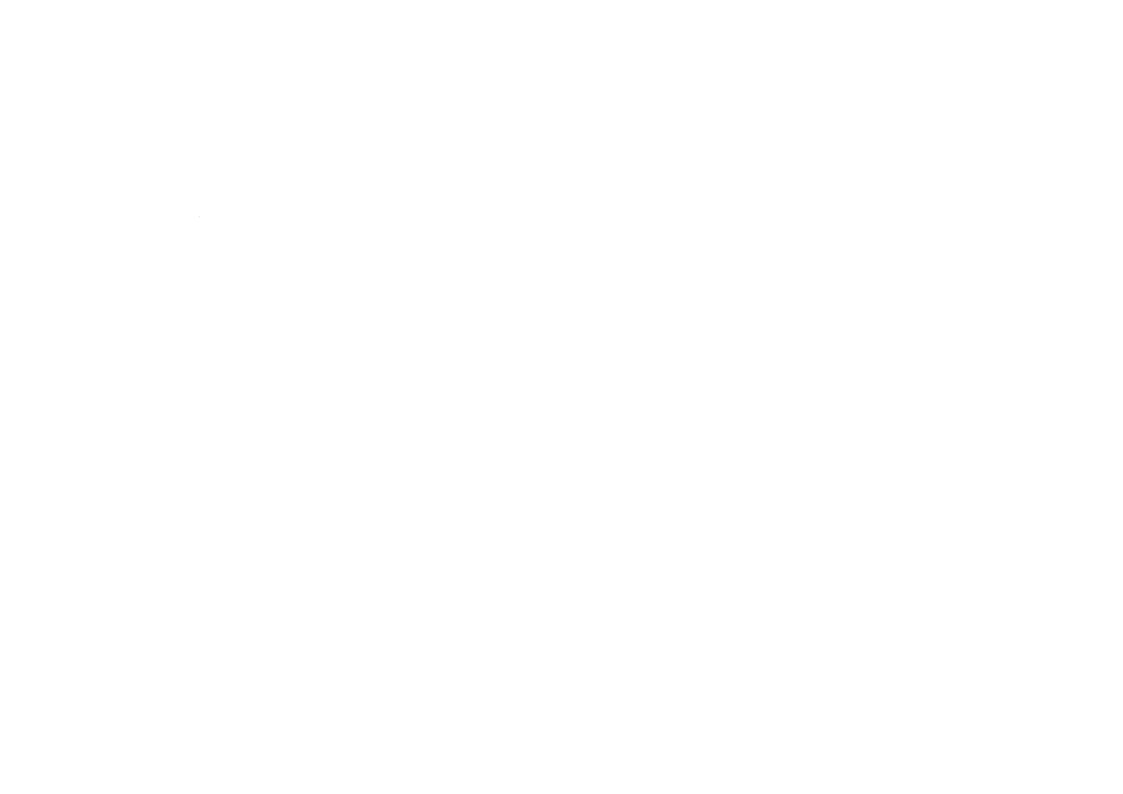
NATIONAL GAS LAW

Schedule 3, Section 67 Notice of Allocation Order

PURSUANT to section 67(1) of Schedule 3 of the National Gas Law, I, Ian Macdonald, Minister for Energy, New South Wales make the following Allocation Order with effect on and from the Relevant Date as defined in the Allocation Order.

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NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT

GAS SUPPLY ACT 1996

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| Wesfarmers Kleenheat Gas Pty Limited (ACN 008 679 543) | Armidale Dumaresq |



Minister for Police Minister for Utilities Leader of the House

IPART Ref: 05/405

Mr David Adam
Chief Executive Officer
Central Ranges Pipeline Pty Ltd
Level 7, 16-20 Barrack Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Mr Adam

Application for Natural Gas Reticulator's Authorisation

I refer to the application dated August 29, 2005, from Central Ranges Pipeline Pty Ltd for a Natural Gas Reticulator's authorisation for the following Local Government areas:

- Dubbo City Council
- Gilgandra Shire Council
- Gunnedah Shire Council
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council
- Mid-Western Regional Council
- Tamworth Regional Council
- Warrumbungle Shire Council

I hereby grant this gas reticulator authorisation as per the attached notice.

Telephone: (02) 9228 4455

Facsimile: (02) 9228 4633

Yours sincerely,

CARL SCULLYMP Minister for Utilities

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NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT

GAS SUPPLY ACT 1996

RETICULATOR'S AUTHORISATION

GAS SUPPLY ACT 1996

RETICULATOR'S AUTHORISATION

I CARL SCULLY, Minister for Utilities, pursuant to section 9 & 11 of the Gas Supply Act, 1996, hereby grant a Reticulator's Authorisation for the purposes of conveying natural gas in the distribution districts listed in the Schedule, to:

Central Ranges Pipeline Pty Ltd (ACN 108 218 355)

on the following conditions:

- a) conditions imposed under clause 11 (1)(a) of the Gas Supply Act, 1996
- b) conditions imposed under clause 11 (1)(b) and 11 (2) of the Gas Supply Act, 1996 (a current copy of these conditions as of the date of the issue of the authorisation is attached), and
- c) other conditions as I may impose on the authorisation from time to time.

Dated

1 3 DEC 2005

MINISTER FOR UTILITIES

SCHEDULE

Reticulator's Authorisation Conditions Imposed by the Minister under s 11(1) (b) of the Gas Supply Act 1996

1 Application

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4 Requirement to participate in an approved scheme

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5 Insurances and indemnity

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approved scheme

Gas Supply Act 1996 (NSW).

A scheme, approved by the Minister, to develop, administer and implement appropriate business rules and retail market business systems to support full competition in the gas retail market in New South Wales.

business rules

The rules of an entity, established under an approved scheme, governing the operation of retail market business systems.

conditions

These conditions made by the Minister under s 11 (1) (b) of the Act, expressed in this document as clauses.

designated distribution pipeline

A distribution pipeline specified by the Minister as a designated distribution pipeline by publication in the NSW Government Gazette.

Director-General

The Director-General of the Department of Energy and Utilities.

FRC obligations

Those obligations of a reticulator which the Minister considers are obligations that relate to full competition in the retail market for gas in New South Wales and includes those which the Minister considers arise under the Act, the Gas Supply (Natural Gas Retail Competition) Regulation 2001 and conditions imposed by the Minister.

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Natural gas

Minister

The Minister responsible for administering the Act.

Network Code

A Code developed by the reticulator in accordance with guidelines approved by the Director General, on 20 December 2001 (as amended) that documents the reticulator's policies, practices and procedures with respect to the provision of services to gas suppliers, which are Natural Gas Reticulator's Authorisation - Conditions imposed by the Minister 9 July 2004

necessary to facilitate the operation of a competitive retail

market

premises

Includes a building or part of a building, a structure or part

of a structure and land (whether built on or not.)

retail market business systems

Has the meaning given to that term in section 33J of the Gas Supply Act 1996.

9.2 In these *Conditions*, the following expressions have the same meaning as in the Dictionary of the *Act*:

authorised supplier distribution district distribution pipeline reticulator reticulator's authorisation supplier supplier's authorisation Tribunal

Interpretation

- 9.3 Wherever these *Conditions* require the *reticulator* to perform any obligation within a specified time, and that time has expired without the obligation being performed, the expiry of the time will not excuse the *reticulator* from performing the obligation.
- 9.4 In these Conditions:
 - (a) the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
 - (b) headings are used for convenience only and do not affect the interpretation of these *authorisation* conditions;
 - (c) a reference to a document, instrument or law includes any amendments, revisions, renewals, replacements or reprints from time to time;
 - (d) a person includes an individual, body corporate, an unincorporated body or other entity;
 - the law includes legislation, regulations, licences, orders, codes, permits and directions;
 - (f) italicised expressions are defined in clause 9.1, or defined by reference in clause 9.2
 - (g) where a word is defined, any other grammatical form of that word has a corresponding meaning;
 - (h) a financial year means a year commencing on 1 July and ending on 30 June in the subsequent calendar year.

ATTACHMENT

DISTRIBUTION DISTRICT

The distribution district is the district to which the Authorisation Holder is restricted under the conditions of this Authorisation, being the following Local Government areas under the Local Government Act 1993:

- Dubbo City Council
- Gilgandra Shire Council
- Gunnedah Shire Council
- Liverpool Plains Shire Council
- Mid-Western Regional Council
- Tamworth Regional Council
- Warrumbungle Shire Council

Department of Water and Energy

WATER ACT 1912

APPLICATIONS for licences under section 10 of Part 2 of the Water Act 1912, have been received as follows:

William Michael NEVILLE and Heather Nancy NEVILLE for a pump on the Goulburn River, on part Lot 156, DP 753767, Parish Arndell, County Hunter, for irrigation of 6 hectares (split of existing entitlement) (Reference: 20SL061793).

William Michael NEVILLE and Heather Nancy NEVILLE for a pump on the Goulburn River, on an easement within Lot 156, DP 753767, Parish Arndell, County Hunter, for water supply for stock and domestic purposes (to proposed Lot 1, exempt from current 22BA embargo) (Reference: 20SL061795).

William Michael NEVILLE and Heather Nancy NEVILLE for a pump on the Goulburn River, on an easement within Lot 156, DP 753767, Parish Arndell, County Hunter, for water supply for stock and domestic purposes (to proposed Lot 2, exempt from current 22BA embargo) (Reference: 20SL061796).

William Michael NEVILLE and Heather Nancy NEVILLE for a pump on the Goulburn River, on an easement within Lot 156, DP 753767, Parish Arndell, County Hunter, for water supply for stock and domestic purposes (to proposed Lot 3, exempt from current 22BA embargo) (Reference: 20SL061797).

Robert James LLOYD for a pump on Halls Creek, on an easement within Lot 40, DP 750963, Parish Wickham, County Brisbane, for water supply for stock and domestic purposes and irrigation of 7 hectares (split of existing entitlement, exempt from current 22BA embargo) (Reference: 20SL061804).

Written objections to the application specifying grounds thereof must be lodged with the Department of Water and Energy, PO Box 796, Murwillumbah NSW 2484, within 28 days of the date of publication.

D. MILLING, Manager, Licensing

WATER ACT 1912

APPLICATION for a licence under Part 5 of the Water Act, 1912, as amended, has been received as follows;

Murrumbidgee Valley

Jason William MARSH for a bore licence on Lot 145 DP754559, Parish of Mimosa, County of Mitchell for a water supply for irrigation purposes (cereals and pastures). Conversion of a test bore lodged prior to the existing embargo. New Licence. (Ref.40BL192145) Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (02) 6953 0700. Written objections, from any local occupier or statutory authority, specifying grounds and how their interests are affected, must be lodged with the Department of Water and Energy, PO Box 156, Leeton NSW 2705, within 28 days of the date of this publication.

S.F. WEBB, Licensing Manager

GAS SUPPLY ACT 1996

Section 12

Notice Of Variation of Conditions of Supplier's Authorisation

THIS Notice applies to the conditions of Supplier's Authorisation granted by the Minister for Energy on 9 July 2004 under section 11(1)(b) Gas Supply Act 1996. Under section 12 Gas Supply Act 1996 the conditions are varied as follows:

1. Clause 3 (Requirement to participate in an approved scheme) is deleted in its entirety.

All remaining conditions of the Supplier's Authorisation remain in force. This variation shall take effect on the 'changeover date' as defined in the National Gas Law adopted in New South Wales through the National Gas (New South Wales) Act 2008.

Dated at Sydney, this 24th day of June 2009.

IAN MACDONALD, M.L.C., Minister for Energy

GAS SUPPLY ACT 1996

Section 12

Notice of Variation of Conditions of Reticulator's Authorisation

THIS Notice applies to the conditions of Reticulator's Authorisation granted by the Minister for Energy on 9 July 2004 under section 11(1)(b) Gas Supply Act 1996. Under section 12 Gas Supply Act 1996 the conditions are varied as follows:

 Clause 4 (Requirement to participate in an approved scheme) is deleted in its entirety.

All remaining conditions of the Reticulator's Authorisation remain in force. This variation shall take effect on the 'changeover date' as defined in the National Gas Law adopted in New South Wales through the National Gas (New South Wales) Act 2008.

Dated at Sydney, this 24th day of June 2009.

IAN MACDONALD, M.L.C., Minister for Energy

NATIONAL GAS LAW

Schedule 3, Section 67 Notice of Allocation Order

PURSUANT to section 67(1) of Schedule 3 of the National Gas Law, I, Ian Macdonald, Minister for Energy, New South Wales make the following Allocation Order with effect on and from the Relevant Date as defined in the Allocation Order.

Dated at Sydney, this 24th day of June 2009.

IAN MACDONALD, M.L.C., Minister for Energy