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[Assented to 17 February 2012]

[s 1]

The Parliament of Queensland enacts—

Part 1 Preliminary

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2012*.

2 Commencement

- (1) The following provisions commence at the end of 30 June 2012—
 - sections 24 to 74
 - parts 5 to 8.
- (2) Section 78(3) commences on the later of the following—
 - (a) the date of assent of this Act;
 - (b) the date of assent of the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011*.

Part 2 Amendment of South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009

3 Act amended

This part amends the *South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009*.

Note—

See also the amendments in the schedule.

4 Amendment of s 4 (Achievement of purposes)

(1) Section 4(2)(b) to (e)—

renumber as section 4(2)(c) to (f).

(2) Section 4(2)—

insert—

‘(b) providing for the following to, subject to this Act, deliver the services to customers in their local government areas from 1 July 2012—

- (i) the Gold Coast City Council;
- (ii) the Logan City Council;
- (iii) the Redland City Council; and’.

5 Amendment of s 5 (Who are a distributor-retailer’s participating local governments)

Section 5—

insert—

‘(2) In a provision about a board, a reference to a participating local government is a reference to a participating local government under subsection (1) for the board’s distributor-retailer.’.

6 Insertion of new ch 1, pt 3, div 3

Chapter 1, part 3—

insert—

‘Division 3 Functions

‘7A References to functions

‘In this Act—

- (a) a reference to a function includes a reference to a power or jurisdiction; and
- (b) a reference to performing a function includes a reference to exercising a power or jurisdiction.’

7 Amendment of s 8 (Establishment)

Section 8(c)—

insert—

‘Notes—

- 1 For the authority mentioned in paragraph (c), see chapter 3A (Replacement of Allconnex by councils), part 9 (Dissolution of Allconnex).
- 2 Under section 92AP, that authority will only have limited functions from 1 July 2012.’

8 Insertion of new s 18B

After section 18A—

insert—

‘18B Joint government activity power for LGA 2009 and CBA 2010

‘For LGA 2009, section 10 and CBA 2010, section 12, a reference to a local government is taken to include a reference to a distributor-retailer.’

9 Amendment of s 20 (Requirement for agreement)

Section 20(1)(a), ‘the persons who are to have’—

omit, insert—

‘that the participating local governments have’.

10 Amendment of s 22 (Particular matters agreement may provide for)

Section 22(e), after ‘board’—

insert—

‘, including, for example, the term of office of its councillor-members or additional requirements to those under section 34 for their appointment or removal’.

11 Amendment of s 28 (General power to amend by agreement)

(1) Section 28, heading, ‘General power’—

omit, insert—

‘Power’.

(2) Section 28(2) and (3)—

renumber as section 28(3) and (4).

(3) Section 28—

insert—

‘(2) However, a participation agreement for a distributor-retailer can not be amended to allow anyone other than a participating local government for the distributor-retailer to become a participant in it.’.

12 Replacement of ss 33–36

Sections 33 to 36—

omit, insert—

‘33 Membership in general

‘(1) A board is to consist of at least 5 members.

- ‘(2) The members must be appointed under this division by the distributor-retailer’s participants.
- ‘(3) Each of the distributor-retailer’s participating local governments may have 1 of its councillors as a member of the board (a *councillor-member*).
- ‘(4) However, a board can not have more than 3 councillor-members.
- ‘(5) At least 3 of a board’s members must be members (each an *independent member*) who are not councillor-members.

‘34 Councillor-members

- ‘(1) Unless the participation agreement provides otherwise, a board’s councillor-members can not be—
 - (a) appointed for a term of more than 4 years; or
 - (b) appointed or reappointed if, at any time, they have already served a term of 4 years or terms totalling 4 years.

Example—

A is a councillor-member appointed for a 4-year term. A ceases to be a councillor of the relevant council after 3 of those years. B, another councillor of the council, is appointed to replace A for the rest of that term. B is re-elected as a councillor of the council. The participation agreement does not provide for more than a 4-year term for councillor-members. Therefore, B can only be reappointed for 3 more years.

- ‘(2) A councillor-member’s appointment ends if—
 - (a) the person stops being a councillor of the relevant council; or
 - (b) either—
 - (i) all participating local governments have, by resolution, so agreed; or
 - (ii) the ending happens under the participation agreement.

- ‘(3) A vacancy under subsection (2) may be filled—
- (a) only by—
 - (i) a councillor of the relevant council; or
 - (ii) if the distributor-retailer’s participation agreement provides for a councillor of a different relevant council to fill the vacancy—the other councillor; and
 - (b) in the way provided for under the participation agreement.
- ‘(4) A councillor-member’s appointment is suspended during any period of suspension of the person as a councillor of the relevant council.

‘35 Independent members

- ‘(1) The matters to which regard must be had in considering whether to appoint a person as an independent member include the person’s previous experience and ability to—
- (a) contribute to the carrying out of the board’s role under section 32; and
 - (b) contribute to the strategic oversight of the distributor-retailer’s functions; and
 - (c) bring an independent judgment to bear on the board’s decision-making.
- ‘(2) An independent member—
- (a) holds office for the term stated in the person’s appointment; and
 - (b) is, if not disqualified, eligible for reappointment.
- ‘(3) A person’s appointment as an independent member ends if the person becomes disqualified.
- ‘(4) In this section—
- disqualified*** means unable to be appointed because of section 36.

‘36 Disqualifications for independent member

‘A person can not be appointed as an independent member if the person—

- (a) is a public service employee; or
- (b) is an employee of any local government in the SEQ region; or
- (c) is a member of the Queensland Water Commission; or
- (d) is an insolvent under administration; or
- (e) has a conviction, other than a spent conviction, for an indictable offence; or
- (f) is a member of a board of—
 - (i) another distributor-retailer; or
 - (ii) a new water entity under the 2007 restructuring Act.

‘36A Terms of membership

- ‘(1) A board member holds office on the terms of appointment provided for under a participation agreement of the distributor-retailer, and subject to this Act.
- ‘(2) A councillor-member can not receive, and the distributor-retailer can not confer, a benefit on a councillor-member—
 - (a) by way of remuneration as the holder of that office; or
 - (b) in connection with retirement from or other ending of the office.
- ‘(3) However, the councillor-member may receive a benefit conferred on the member under LGA 2009 or CBA 2010.
- ‘(4) For applying CBA 2010 under subsection (3), the relevant provisions of those Acts apply as if a reference to a corporate entity of the relevant council included a reference to a distributor-retailer.

Note—

For LGA 2009, see the *Local Government (Operations) Regulation 2010*, section 43.

- ‘(5) An independent member may receive from a distributor-retailer, and a distributor-retailer may confer on an independent member, a benefit for the following only if it complies with the participation agreement—
- (a) remuneration as the holder of that office;
 - (b) a matter for, or in connection with, retirement from or other ending of the office.
- ‘(6) A purported benefit conferred or received that can not be made under this section is of no effect.
- ‘(7) In this section—
- benefit*** means a payment made or an interest in property or other valuable consideration or benefit given or transferred.

‘36B Chairperson

- ‘(1) A distributor-retailer must have an independent member as its chairperson.
- ‘(2) The chairperson must be—
- (a) appointed in the way provided for under the distributor-retailer’s participation agreement; or
 - (b) if the participation agreement does not provide for how the appointment takes place—elected by the board.’.

13 Amendment of s 40 (Conduct of meetings)

Section 40(1)—

omit, insert—

- ‘(1) A quorum of a board must consist of at least 1 independent member.’.

14 Amendment of s 42 (Disclosure of interests)

Section 42—

insert—

- ‘(9) To remove any doubt, it is declared that the fact that a relevant council has an interest in an issue does not, of itself, mean that the councillor-member for the council has an interest in the issue.’.

15 Amendment of s 49 (Reserve power to give directions in public interest)

- (1) Section 49, heading—

omit, insert—

‘49 Group directions’.

- (2) Section 49(1), ‘(a *local government direction*)’—

omit, insert—

‘(a *group direction*)’.

- (3) Section 49(2)(b)(i), ‘and the SEQ region’—

omit.

- (4) Section 49(3)—

omit.

16 Insertion of new s 49A

After section 49—

insert—

‘49A Individual directions

- ‘(1) This section applies for any participating local government (the *council*) of a distributor-retailer.
- ‘(2) The council may give the distributor-retailer a written direction (an *individual direction*) about the way the

distributor-retailer is to perform its functions relating to the council's local government area about any of the following—

- (a) charges mentioned in section 99BO(1)(g)(iii);
- (b) compliance, under section 99BX(5), with a particular matter relating to the council's final price path;
- (c) the distributor-retailer's annual capital works program under section 100B.

'(3) However, the council may give the direction only if—

- (a) it is satisfied the direction is necessary and in the public interest to the extent it relates to the local government area; and
- (b) it has given the board and other participating local governments of the distributor-retailer a notice—
 - (i) stating the proposed direction; and
 - (ii) asking the board for its written opinion about the direction within the required period; and
- (c) it has considered any written opinion of the board given to it within the required period; and
- (d) its compensation liability because of the effects of the direction has been agreed or decided under section 99BZD.

'(4) The opinion may include an amount claimed for, or particulars of, the compensation liability for the distributor-retailer or all or any of its other participating local governments.

'(5) In this section—

required period means the following period after the giving of the notice—

- (a) generally—1 month;
- (b) if the distributor-retailer's participation agreement provides for another period for giving the opinion—the other period.'

17 Amendment of s 50 (Publication of directions)

Section 50, ‘a local government direction’—

omit, insert—

‘a group direction, or the participating local government that gives an individual direction,’.

18 Replacement of s 51 (Local government directions relevant to duty)

Section 51—

omit, insert—

‘51 Compliance with directions

- ‘(1) This section applies if a distributor-retailer is given a group direction or an individual direction.
- ‘(2) The board must take reasonable steps to ensure the direction is complied with unless it is unlawful to do so, or complying with the direction in the way directed would constitute an offence against this Act or another Act.
- ‘(3) Regard must be had to the direction in deciding, for this Act or any other relevant law, whether or not a board member has exercised an appropriate degree of care and diligence in discharging the member’s duties.’.

19 Insertion of new s 52A

After section 52—

insert—

‘52A Relationship between councillor-member functions and councillor functions

‘While a councillor-member is acting in the person’s capacity as a councillor-member, the member’s responsibilities as a councillor under LGA 2009 or CBA 2010 do not apply.’.

20 Amendment of s 53 (Delegation)

Section 53(5)(a), after ‘the period ending 30 June 2013’—

insert—

‘or any other period prescribed under a regulation’.

21 Amendment of s 53ARA (Definitions for div 1)

Section 53ARA, definitions *bulk water component*, *small business customer* and *variable measures*—

omit.

22 Amendment of s 53BA (Ownership of water infrastructure that becomes part of land)

Section 53BA—

insert—

‘(3) This section is subject to any retransfer of the water infrastructure under chapter 3A.’.

23 Insertion of new ch 3A

After section 92—

insert—

‘Chapter 3A Replacement of Allconnex by councils

‘Part 1 Preliminary

‘92AA Application of ch 3A

‘This chapter applies, and anything done under it takes effect, despite any other provision of this Act or another law, a

transfer document, a participation agreement or a contract or other instrument.

‘92AB What is *Allconnex*

‘*Allconnex* is the Southern SEQ Distributor-Retailer Authority.

‘92AC What is a *withdrawn council*

‘A *withdrawn council* is—

- (a) the Gold Coast City Council; or
- (b) the Logan City Council; or
- (c) the Redland City Council.

Note—

The withdrawn councils are Allconnex’s participating local governments.

‘92AD What is Allconnex’s *successor*

‘(1) Allconnex’s *successor* is—

- (a) for a provision about a customer—the withdrawn council in whose local government area the customer received, or wanted to receive, services from Allconnex of a type mentioned in the Water Supply Act, schedule 3, definition *customer*; or
- (b) for a provision about an asset, liability or matter that, under a retransfer document or part 4, division 2, is transferred to a withdrawn council—that council; or
- (c) for an infrastructure agreement that provides for water infrastructure for a withdrawn council’s local government area—that council; or
- (d) for a provision about a matter not provided for under paragraphs (a) to (c)—the geographically-connected withdrawn council.

Example for paragraph (d)—

Under this chapter, water infrastructure is transferred to a withdrawn council. That council is Allconnex's successor for a provision about a trade waste approval by it authorising discharge into the infrastructure.

- '(2) If a matter is located in, or relates to, more than 1 withdrawn council's local government area, each of them is a **successor** of Allconnex.
- '(3) If, under this chapter, the withdrawn councils are stated to be Allconnex's **proportional joint successor** for a matter, all of them are its joint successor, rateably in accordance with their participation rights under Allconnex's participation agreement immediately before the retransfer.
- '(4) In this section—
liability does not include a matter that is, or may be, the subject of a dispute referral under the EWO Act or a liability under an order under that Act.
matter includes—
- (a) an authority, application, document, proceeding and water infrastructure; and
 - (b) a relevant action under section 77I(3), definition *relevant action*; and
 - (c) an Allconnex infrastructure funding matter.

‘Part 2 General provisions for retransfer to withdrawn councils on 1 July 2012

‘Division 1 Preliminary

‘92AE Application of pt 2

‘This part applies from the end of 30 June 2012.

‘Division 2 General service provider provisions

‘92AF Allconnex ceases to be service provider

‘Allconnex ceases to be a service provider.

‘92AG Withdrawn councils become service providers

- ‘(1) Each withdrawn council becomes a service provider for its local government area.
- ‘(2) The Water Supply Act, section 20 does not apply to a withdrawn council.
- ‘(3) A withdrawn council continues to be a service provider, subject to the Water Supply Act.
- ‘(4) A withdrawn council must, as soon as practicable, give the regulator the information mentioned in the Water Supply Act, section 12 about the council as a service provider.

‘92AH No notice to regulator required

‘The Water Supply Act, sections 24 and 25 do not apply for Allconnex’s cessation as, or the withdrawn councils becoming, a service provider.

‘92AI Withdrawn council’s initial service area

- ‘(1) A withdrawn council’s service area is that part of its local government area (the *new area*) that was in Allconnex’s service area at the end of 30 June 2012.
- ‘(2) This section—
- (a) does not prevent the Water Supply Act, chapter 2, part 5, division 2 from applying to the new area; but
 - (b) is subject to section 92DB.

‘92AJ Creation of commercial business units for withdrawn councils

- ‘(1) For LGA 2009, each withdrawn council is taken to have decided by resolution to do the following—
- (a) commercialise a significant business for the services it provides as a water service provider (its *WSP business*);
 - (b) create a commercial business unit for its WSP business.
- ‘(2) Until a withdrawn council decides otherwise, the name of its WSP business is the name of its commercial business unit for the services under the repealed *Local Government Act 1993* immediately before 1 July 2010.
- ‘(3) If a withdrawn council’s WSP business proposes to develop significant water infrastructure, the council must consult with any other withdrawn council or distributor-retailer whose local government area or geographic area adjoins the council’s local government area.
- ‘(4) To remove any doubt, it is declared that this section does not limit or otherwise affect a withdrawn council’s capacity under LGA 2009 to create a corporate entity to acquire and conduct its WSP business.

‘92AK Migration of customers

‘A person who, at the end of 30 June 2012, is a customer of Allconnex as a service provider becomes a customer of its successor, as a service provider on 1 July 2012.

‘92AL Migration of appointments and delegations

- ‘(1) This section applies to a person who, at the end of 30 June 2012, holds an appointment or delegation from Allconnex about a matter.
- ‘(2) On 1 July 2012, the person is taken to hold the appointment or delegation from Allconnex’s successor for the matter.
- ‘(3) Subsection (2) does not affect the successor’s power to end or change the appointment or delegation.

‘Division 3 Transfer of Allconnex’s trade waste and seepage water functions under Water Supply Act

‘92AM Application of particular provisions of ch 2C

- ‘(1) The following provisions of chapter 2C, and any definitions relevant to them, apply for a withdrawn council, with the changes mentioned in subsection (2)—
 - section 53CL(c)
 - section 53CN
 - section 53DA
 - part 2, division 7
 - part 3.
- ‘(2) The provisions apply—
 - (a) as if a reference in them to a discharge officer were a reference to a local government worker, under LGA

- 2009, of the withdrawn council authorised by it to perform functions mentioned in section 53CL; and
- (b) as if a reference to a distributor-retailer included a reference to the withdrawn council; and
 - (c) with other necessary changes.

‘92AN Other functions not affected

‘To remove any doubt, it is declared that this division does not limit or otherwise affect the withdrawn council’s or the local government worker’s functions under LGA 2009.

‘Division 4 Allconnex’s status, functions and board

‘92AO Legal status unaffected until dissolution

‘To remove any doubt, it is declared that, until Allconnex is dissolved, nothing in this chapter—

- (a) affects its establishment and legal status under sections 8 and 9; or
- (b) makes the State liable for any of its liabilities.

‘92AP Residual functions

‘Allconnex can not perform functions other than those that are required, necessary or convenient—

- (a) for this chapter or a law applying to it until its dissolution; or
- (b) because it has been a service provider or it continues to be a distributor-retailer.

‘92AQ Board

- ‘(1) The old board provisions apply for Allconnex’s board.
- ‘(2) However, the associated employee restrictions do not apply.
- ‘(3) In this section—

associated employee restrictions means sections 33(4) and (5) and 35(3) under the old board provisions.

old board provisions means chapter 2, part 4, and the definition *associated employee* in the schedule, as in force before this section commences.

‘Part 3 Retransfer provisions

‘Division 1 Retransfer scheme

‘Subdivision 1 General provisions

‘92AR Requirement to make scheme

- ‘(1) Before 30 April 2012 Allconnex and all of the withdrawn councils (the *parties*) must enter into an agreement (the *retransfer scheme*) that—
 - (a) subject to this chapter—
 - (i) transfers at the end of 30 June 2012 all of Allconnex’s assets, employees (other than its chief executive officer), instruments and liabilities to the withdrawn councils; and
 - (ii) does everything else of an incidental, consequential or supplemental nature the parties consider necessary for the following—
 - (A) the transfers mentioned in subparagraph (i);

- (B) financial, staffing and other arrangements for Allconnex to perform its functions pending its dissolution;
 - (C) Allconnex's dissolution; and
- (b) complies with this division.
- ‘(2) The matters mentioned in subsection (1) are the *retransfer*.
- ‘(3) The retransfer must, as nearly as practicable, retransfer to each withdrawn council the assets, employees, instruments and liabilities that the council transferred to Allconnex under chapter 3.
- ‘(4) However, subsection (3) does not apply if the parties unanimously otherwise agree.

‘92AS Restriction on scheme taking effect

‘The retransfer scheme has no effect until the Minister publishes a gazette notice about it under section 92BA(2).

‘Subdivision 2 Contents

‘92AT Requirement to deal with proceedings and claims

- ‘(1) A retransfer scheme must provide for all of the following—
- (a) the withdrawn council that is to be Allconnex's replacement for—
 - (i) a proceeding by or against Allconnex; or
 - (ii) a cause of action for a proceeding that could have been started by Allconnex at the end of 30 June 2012 but has not been started;
 - (b) how the withdrawn councils are to receive, process and decide claims for contingent and other liabilities that, other than for this chapter or Allconnex's dissolution, could have been made against Allconnex;

- (c) all of the liabilities to be assumed by 1 or more of the withdrawn councils.
- ‘(2) However, if, under a transition document, Allconnex became a party to a proceeding instead of a withdrawn council, the retransfer scheme must provide that the council is the replacement for the proceeding.
- ‘(3) Also, if Allconnex is, or may be, a party to a proceeding in the Planning and Environment Court or the Land Court about land, the retransfer scheme must provide that the replacement for the proceeding is the geographically-connected withdrawn council.
- ‘(4) In this section—
liability does not include a matter that is, or may be, the subject of a dispute referral under the EWO Act or a liability under an order under that Act.
proceeding includes a proceeding that has ended.

‘92AU Accounting for assets and liabilities

- ‘(1) The retransfer scheme must do the following—
 - (a) include a process to account for the following—
 - (i) Allconnex’s unrealised assets and liabilities;
 - (ii) Allconnex’s liabilities to the withdrawn councils;
 - (iii) the withdrawn councils’ liabilities to Allconnex;
 - (b) transfer Allconnex’s assets in a way that includes the process and the operation of this chapter, including, for example, section 92BH;
 - (c) provide for all of Allconnex’s unrealised assets to be transferred to 1 or more of the withdrawn councils.

Note—

See also part 4, division 2 (Default provisions).

- ‘(2) In this section—

unrealised includes—

- (a) for an asset—the right to the benefit of, or to a benefit under, any of the following—
 - (i) a matter mentioned in section 77H;
 - (ii) a relevant action under section 77I(3), definition *relevant action*;
 - (iii) an Allconnex infrastructure funding matter;
 - (iv) service charges under section 92BH; and
- (b) for a liability—a liability that Allconnex may have that has not been, or the amount of which has not been, ascertained, or that is contingent.

Example of a contingent liability—

a liability the existence or amount of which depends on the outcome of a proceeding

‘92AV Requirement to retransfer particular land to same withdrawn council

- ‘(1) This section applies if—
 - (a) a withdrawn council owned land or was the trustee of trust land to which an asset is attached; and
 - (b) under a transfer scheme or transfer notice—
 - (i) the land or asset was transferred to Allconnex; or
 - (ii) the withdrawn council was removed as trustee for the trust land and Allconnex was appointed as trustee; and
 - (c) after the transfer or change in the trusteeship, one of them owns the asset and another owns or is trustee of the land to which it is attached.
- ‘(2) The retransfer scheme must provide that the effect of the matters mentioned in subsection (1) is to be reversed and that the withdrawn council will become—

- (a) the owner of the asset; and
- (b) the owner or trustee of the land.

‘92AW Required transferee for after-acquired land

‘(1) The retransfer scheme must provide that all after-acquired land of Allconnex is to be transferred to the geographically-connected withdrawn council.

‘(2) In this section—

after-acquired land, of Allconnex, means any land of which Allconnex is the owner, other than land that was transferred to Allconnex under chapter 3.

‘92AX Particular matters scheme may provide for

‘(1) The retransfer scheme may provide for all or any of the following—

- (a) the following for trust land for which Allconnex is a trustee—
 - (i) its removal as the trustee;
 - (ii) the appointment of a withdrawn council as the trustee;
- (b) for a matter other than for which this chapter provides—
 - (i) that a withdrawn council is Allconnex’s successor in law for the matter; and
 - (ii) if there is more than 1 successor—how the successors share the matter as Allconnex’s successors;
- (c) the application or transfer of an instrument to a withdrawn council, including, for example, any of the following—
 - (i) whether a withdrawn council holds, or is a party to, an instrument;

- (ii) whether an instrument, or a benefit or right provided by an instrument, is taken to have been given to, by or in favour of, a withdrawn council;
- (iii) whether a reference to an entity in an instrument is to be a reference to a withdrawn council;
- (iv) whether, under an instrument, an amount is or may become payable to or by a withdrawn council or other property is, or may be, transferred to a withdrawn council;
- (v) whether a right or entitlement under an instrument is held by a withdrawn council;
- (d) the transfer to a withdrawn council of an employee of Allconnex and the employee's work entitlements and conditions of employment;
- (e) varying or terminating an instrument to which Allconnex and a withdrawn council are the parties;
- (f) terminating the participation agreement between Allconnex and the withdrawn councils;
- (g) extinguishing the withdrawn councils' participation rights in Allconnex;
- (h) the consideration for, or the value of the following—
 - (i) an asset or liability transferred under the retransfer;
 - (ii) participation rights extinguished;
- (i) subject to part 8, matters about Allconnex's employees transferred under paragraph (d) and their rights;
- (j) Allconnex's or the withdrawn councils' records, including, for example, about complying with the *Public Records Act 2002* for Allconnex's records and access to them.

(2) This section—

- (a) does not limit section 92AR; but
- (b) is subject to the other provisions of this chapter.

‘(3) In this section—

authority includes accreditation, allocation, approval, certificate, entitlement, exemption, licence, manual, notice, permit and plan.

instrument includes an application or authority under an Act.

trust land includes land dedicated as a reserve, or granted in fee simple in trust, under the Land Act, chapter 3, part 1.

‘Subdivision 3 Certification statement

‘92AY Requirement to give statement to Minister

- ‘(1) This section applies to the parties to the retransfer when they enter into the retransfer scheme.
- ‘(2) The parties must give the Minister a statement (the *certification statement*) certifying all of the assets, liabilities and instruments that the withdrawn councils are to receive under the scheme.
- ‘(3) The statement must also comply with section 92AZ.

‘92AZ Content requirements

- ‘(1) The certification statement must state all of the following for the retransfer scheme—
- (a) that the parties to the retransfer (the *retransfer parties*) have identified—
- (i) all of Allconnex’s assets, liabilities and instruments; and
- (ii) whether anything proposed to be done under the scheme would materially prejudice the interests of a third party;
- (b) that all of the following apply for the scheme—

- (i) the scheme transfers all of Allconnex's assets, liabilities and instruments;
- (ii) the scheme identifies any assets that are to be jointly used or accessed by the withdrawn councils;
- (iii) agreements have been made between the withdrawn councils to ensure the joint use or access;
- (iv) either—
 - (A) the scheme does not, to the knowledge of all the retransfer parties, materially prejudice the interests of any third party; or
 - (B) if the scheme materially prejudices the interests of any third party, the consent of all third parties so prejudiced has been obtained;
- (v) the scheme does not transfer an employee inconsistently with the retransfer staff support framework;
- (vi) the scheme otherwise complies with this Act;
- (c) that the retransfer parties have consulted with the State Archivist about the way in which records are to be dealt with under the scheme;
- (d) that the retransfer parties have given public notice to third parties about how they may obtain information (other than private or confidential information concerning others) about the scheme;
- (e) that the retransfer parties have, since the giving of the public notice, made information mentioned in paragraph (d) available to third parties who have asked for it;
- (f) that the statement is, after making all due enquiries, correct to the knowledge, information and belief of each individual signing it.

- ‘(2) For subsection (1)(b)(iv)(A), the fact of a transfer to a withdrawn council, is not, of itself, a material prejudice to a third party.
- ‘(3) The consultation with the State Archivist may be carried out by the withdrawn councils jointly.
- ‘(4) The certification statement must not contain private or confidential information concerning others.
- ‘(5) In this section—
public notice means a notice published in a newspaper circulating in all of the SEQ region.

‘92BA Ministerial notice of retransfer

- ‘(1) This section applies only if the Minister is of the opinion that the certification statement given complies with section 92AZ.
- ‘(2) As soon as practicable after receiving the statement, the Minister must publish a gazette notice stating the following information about the retransfer scheme and the statement—
 - (a) that the scheme has been made;
 - (b) that the statement has been given;
 - (c) where copies of the statement can be obtained;
 - (d) that the scheme has effect from the day the notice is published, but that, under section 92AR, the retransfer will not take place until the end of 30 June 2012;
 - (e) where information about transfers under the scheme may be obtained.
- ‘(3) However, the notice must not state where the information may be obtained if the Minister considers that there is a need to protect confidentiality or privacy relating to the information.
- ‘(4) The withdrawn councils must, as soon as practicable after the gazettal, publish on each of their websites the information stated in the gazette notice and keep it so published for at least 1 year.

‘Subdivision 4 Miscellaneous provision

‘92BB Discharge of liabilities

- ‘(1) When the retransfer scheme takes effect, all of the following that exist at that time are discharged—
- (a) all of Allconnex’s liabilities to a withdrawn council;
 - (b) all liabilities from a withdrawn council to Allconnex other than Gold Coast City Council’s liability to Allconnex under section 92BY.
- ‘(2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that subsection (1) does not limit or otherwise affect what may or must be provided for under the retransfer scheme.

Note—

See also division 3 (Miscellaneous provisions for retransfer documents).

‘Division 2 Ministerial functions for retransfer

‘92BC Retransfer notice

- ‘(1) This section applies if the Minister is of the opinion that—
- (a) a requirement under division 1 has not been complied with; or
 - (b) something done under the retransfer scheme ought to have been done differently; or
 - (c) something ought not to have been done under the retransfer scheme.
- ‘(2) The Minister may, by gazette notice published on or before 30 June 2013 (a *retransfer notice*), do all or any of the following—
- (a) everything or anything to ensure the retransfer happens;
 - (b) anything that may be done by any of the parties to the retransfer scheme under the retransfer scheme;

- (c) rectify or undo anything the Minister considers the retransfer scheme ought not to have done or ought to have done differently.
- ‘(3) A retransfer notice may include conditions applying to something done under the notice.
- ‘(4) If the Minister is satisfied it would be inappropriate for a particular matter to be stated in a retransfer notice (for example, because of its size or nature), the Minister may provide for it by including a reference in the retransfer notice to another document—
 - (a) signed by the Minister; and
 - (b) kept available for inspection at a place stated in the retransfer notice by the persons to whom the matter relates.
- ‘(5) A retransfer notice has effect on the day it is published in the gazette or a later stated day.

‘92BD Retransfer direction

- ‘(1) The Minister may, on or before 30 June 2013, give a direction (a *retransfer direction*) to any of the following (a *relevant entity*) to do anything the Minister considers necessary or desirable to achieve the retransfer—
 - (a) Allconnex;
 - (b) any of the withdrawn councils.
- ‘(2) Without limiting subsection (1), a retransfer direction may be about all or any of the following—
 - (a) executing an instrument;
 - (b) disclosing information;
 - (c) for Allconnex, conferring particular employment conditions on its employees affected by the retransfer during a stated period, consistent with the retransfer staff support framework;

- (d) anything the Minister considers necessary to remedy a contravention of the retransfer staff support framework.
- ‘(3) A retransfer direction must be in writing and signed by the Minister.
- ‘(4) If a relevant entity is given a retransfer direction—
 - (a) the entity must comply with the direction; and
 - (b) if the entity is Allconnex—its board must take the action necessary to ensure Allconnex complies with the direction.

Maximum penalty for subsection (4)—1000 penalty units.

‘Division 3 Miscellaneous provisions for retransfer documents

‘92BE Discharge of liabilities

‘The transfer of a liability under a retransfer document discharges the person from whom it is transferred from the liability to the extent provided for under the document.

‘92BF Effect of retransfer document

- ‘(1) Subject to section 92EH, a retransfer document has effect despite any other law or a contract or other instrument.

Example—

A retransfer scheme or a retransfer notice may transfer a lease under the Land Act without the written approvals that would otherwise be required for a transfer under section 58 of that Act.

- ‘(2) However, a retransfer scheme takes effect subject to any retransfer notice or retransfer direction.

‘Part 4 General provisions facilitating retransfer

‘Division 1 Preliminary

‘92BG Application of pt 4

‘This part, other than divisions 4 and 5, applies from the end of 30 June 2012.

‘Division 2 Default provisions

‘Subdivision 1 General provisions

‘92BH Allconnex’s service charges

- ‘(1) This section applies if no retransfer document provides for who is Allconnex’s successor in law for a service charge of Allconnex.
- ‘(2) The withdrawn councils are Allconnex’s proportional joint successor for the charge.
- ‘(3) However—
 - (a) the charge is payable only to the geographically-connected withdrawn council; and
 - (b) only the geographically-connected withdrawn council may bill for an uncollected service charge or collect that charge.
- ‘(4) For subsection (3), a customer of the withdrawn council may be billed by the council in its name, as if—
 - (a) the council were Allconnex; and
 - (b) this chapter had not been enacted and, if Allconnex has been dissolved, Allconnex were still in existence.

‘(5) In this section—

billed includes imposed and levied.

service charge means an account, fee or charge (including any fixed access charge)—

- (a) relating to performing Allconnex’s functions as a service provider for any of Allconnex’s customers; and
- (b) that has, or could have, been billed by Allconnex.

uncollected service charge means a service charge—

- (a) not billed before the end of 30 June 2012; and
- (b) that, other than for this chapter or Allconnex’s dissolution, could have been billed by Allconnex on or after that day.

‘92BI Allconnex’s other assets and liabilities

‘(1) This section provides for who is the successor in law for the following if no retransfer document provides for that succession—

- (a) an asset of Allconnex, other than a service charge under section 92BH;
- (b) Allconnex’s liabilities.

‘(2) If, under a transition document, the asset or liability was transferred from a withdrawn council to Allconnex, that council is the successor.

‘(3) Otherwise, the withdrawn councils are Allconnex’s proportional joint successor for the asset or liability.

‘(4) Despite subsections (2) and (3), the Minister may, by a retransfer notice or retransfer direction, change the successor under the subsections.

‘92BJ Allconnex’s replacement for proceedings

- ‘(1) This section applies if no retransfer document provides for who is to be Allconnex’s replacement for a proceeding, including a proceeding that has ended.
- ‘(2) If, under a transition document, Allconnex became a party to the proceeding instead of a withdrawn council, that council is the replacement.
- ‘(3) If the proceeding is in the Planning and Environment Court or the Land Court and the proceeding is about land, the replacement is the geographically-connected withdrawn council.
- ‘(4) Otherwise, the withdrawn councils are Allconnex’s proportional joint successor for the proceeding.
- ‘(5) The replacement may continue the proceeding instead of Allconnex.

‘92BK Proceedings not started

- ‘(1) This section provides for who is Allconnex’s replacement for a cause of action for which no proceeding has been started if no retransfer document provides for who is to be the replacement.
- ‘(2) If the proceeding could have been started in the Planning and Environment Court or the Land Court and the proceeding is about land, the replacement is the geographically-connected withdrawn council.
- ‘(3) Otherwise, the withdrawn councils are Allconnex’s proportional joint successor for the cause of action.
- ‘(4) The replacement may start the proceeding instead of Allconnex.

‘Subdivision 2 Provisions for infrastructure agreements and actions under Acts about planning

‘92BL Application of sdiv 2

- ‘(1) This subdivision applies if—
- (a) Allconnex is a party to an infrastructure agreement; and
 - (b) either of the following apply—
 - (i) a retransfer document transfers water infrastructure subject to the infrastructure agreement to a withdrawn council;
 - (ii) the infrastructure agreement provides for water infrastructure for a withdrawn council’s local government area.
- ‘(2) This subdivision also applies for an Allconnex infrastructure funding matter or if—
- (a) Allconnex has, under section 77B or 77J, assumed, or is taken to have the benefit of, a right or liability—
 - (i) to which the section applies; and
 - (ii) that relates to the infrastructure agreement; or
 - (b) it has been agreed under section 77E or 77K that Allconnex has a share of—
 - (i) a matter mentioned in section 77E(1); or
 - (ii) a liability to which section 77K applies.
- ‘(3) A matter mentioned in subsection (2) is an *Allconnex planning matter*.
- ‘(4) This subdivision applies subject to any retransfer document relating to Allconnex.

‘92BM Novation if only 1 successor

- ‘(1) This section applies if there is only 1 successor.
- ‘(2) The successor—
 - (a) becomes a party to the agreement instead of Allconnex; and
 - (b) assumes all of Allconnex’s rights and liabilities—
 - (i) under the agreement; or
 - (ii) that relate to an Allconnex planning matter.
- ‘(3) The agreement may be enforced by the successor as if it were Allconnex.
- ‘(4) A right or liability assumed under subsection (2)—
 - (a) may be discharged only by the discharging of it to the successor; and
 - (b) may be enforced only by the successor.

‘92BN Negotiation required if more than 1 successor

- ‘(1) This section applies if there is more than 1 successor.
- ‘(2) The successors must negotiate in good faith to reach an agreement about the extent to which each of them are to share all of Allconnex’s following rights and liabilities—
 - (a) those under the agreement;
 - (b) those relating to all Allconnex planning matters;
 - (c) for any costs incurred because of enforcement mentioned in section 77C;
 - (d) for any costs, damage, liability or loss incurred because of section 77D(2).
- ‘(3) The agreement may provide for how the shares of the rights and liabilities may be discharged or enforced.

‘(4) If, after the negotiation, the councils are still in dispute about a matter mentioned in subsection (1), any of the councils may refer the dispute to the Minister.

‘(5) The Minister may resolve the dispute using any process the Minister considers appropriate that affords natural justice to the councils.

Example of a process—

an arbitration process applying sections 92CF to 92CK

‘(6) The Minister may delegate the Minister’s functions under subsection (5) to an appropriately qualified public service officer.

‘92BO Effect of negotiated agreement or Minister’s decision

‘(1) This section applies for an agreement between successors or a decision under section 92BN about a right or liability required to be negotiated under that section.

‘(2) The agreement or decision binds—

(a) the successors; and

(b) anyone else—

(i) against whom the right is exercisable; or

(ii) to whom the liability is owed.

‘(3) However, subsection (2)(b) only applies to the other person from when the person is given notice of the agreement or decision.

‘92BP Discharge of Allconnex

‘Allconnex ceases to be bound by the agreement and is discharged from any further liability under it or for an Allconnex planning matter.

‘92BQ Other necessary changes to be made for transition

- ‘(1) This section applies subject to the other provisions of this division.
- ‘(2) References in the agreement to Allconnex are taken to be changed to reflect any necessary changes for the retransfer.

‘92BR Provision for things done before retransfer

‘The transfer of water infrastructure under a retransfer document does not affect the validity of any of the following done before the transfer—

- (a) a matter mentioned in section 77H;
- (b) the enforcement of a right or the discharge of a liability mentioned in sections 77A to 77D.

‘Division 3 Information provisions

‘92BS Authorised exchange of information

- ‘(1) A party to the retransfer may exchange information with another party if the exchange is necessary or desirable for any withdrawn council’s service provider functions.

Example—

Allconnex may give its successor for one of its customers personal information about the customer, including, for example, that the customer is a pensioner and therefore eligible for rebates and subsidies.

- ‘(2) No consent of a customer or anyone else is required for the giving of the information or for a withdrawn council to whom it is given to collect, use or store the information.

‘92BT Disclosure and use of information for retransfer

- ‘(1) Subsections (2) and (3) apply for information in the possession or control of a party to the retransfer.

- ‘(2) The party may use the information for any of the following (a *relevant purpose*)—
 - (a) the retransfer;
 - (b) the performance of all or any withdrawn council’s service provider functions.
- ‘(3) The party may disclose the information to any of the following for a relevant purpose—
 - (a) a person involved in the retransfer;
 - (b) a withdrawn council or any of its councillors, employees or agents.
- ‘(4) Allconnex or the withdrawn councils must comply with a request by the Minister to disclose information mentioned in subsections (1) to (3) to someone else.
- ‘(5) To remove any doubt, it is declared that a person may disclose or use information to comply with a retransfer document.
- ‘(6) A person who, acting honestly, discloses or uses information under this section is not liable civilly, criminally or under an administrative process for the disclosure or use.

‘92BU Provision for continued access to Allconnex’s records

- ‘(1) This section applies to Allconnex’s infrastructure charges register and approved inspection program.
- ‘(2) Chapter 5, part 1 applies to Allconnex’s successor as if the register and program were its records of the same type under that part.

‘92BV Relationship with Information Privacy Act 2009 and Right to Information Act 2009

‘This division applies despite the *Information Privacy Act 2009* and the *Right to Information Act 2009*.

‘Division 4 Withdrawal costs

‘Subdivision 1 Preliminary

‘92BW What are *withdrawal costs*

- ‘(1) ***Withdrawal costs***, for Allconnex or a withdrawn council, are costs it has incurred, or will incur, because of any of the following—
- (a) it becoming, or ceasing to be, a service provider;
 - (b) a withdrawn council’s commercialisation of a significant business or creation of a commercial business unit under section 92AJ;
 - (c) the retransfer scheme;
 - (d) the retransfer;
 - (e) complying with any retransfer document;
 - (f) Allconnex’s dissolution;
 - (g) any matter consequential or incidental to a matter mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (f);
 - (h) any other matter relating to the matters mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (g) prescribed under a regulation.
- ‘(2) However, withdrawal costs do not include costs—
- (a) for anticipated or actual revenue or profits; or
 - (b) for a failure to realise anticipated savings; or
 - (c) that a withdrawn council (or any of its predecessors) would ordinarily incur as a service provider or local government had this Act never been enacted; or
 - (d) of a type prescribed under a regulation.
- ‘(3) In this section—
- costs*** includes—
- (a) loss or damage; and

- (b) costs that Allconnex or a withdrawn council has incurred or will incur for services they provide for themselves.

‘Subdivision 2 Entitlements

‘92BX Gold Coast City Council bears its own withdrawal costs

‘Gold Coast City Council must bear its own withdrawal costs and any costs mentioned in section 92BW(2).

‘92BY Allconnex’s withdrawal costs

- ‘(1) Subject to sections 92CB and 92CC, the Gold Coast City Council must pay Allconnex’s withdrawal costs.
- ‘(2) For this chapter or any retransfer document, the entitlement under subsection (1) is an asset of Allconnex.
- ‘(3) The payment must be made to—
 - (a) until the retransfer scheme takes effect—Allconnex; or
 - (b) otherwise—Alloconnex’s successor to the asset under any retransfer document or section 92BI.

‘92BZ Other withdrawn councils

‘Subject to sections 92CB and 92CC, the Gold Coast City Council must pay the other withdrawn councils’ withdrawal costs.

‘92CA Claiming withdrawal costs

‘An amount may be claimed for all or a part of a liability under this subdivision or for a period to which it relates.

Example—

Another withdrawn council may bill Gold Coast City Council monthly for consultancy fees for creating a billing system to comply with this Act as a service provider.

‘92CB Duty to mitigate

‘Allconnex or a withdrawn council must take all reasonable steps to mitigate the amount of the Gold Coast City Council’s liability to them under this subdivision.

‘92CC Limitation period

‘A liability of the Gold Coast City Council under this subdivision ends on 30 June 2013, unless—

- (a) the council and the entity to whom it is owed have entered into a written contract under which any unpaid amount for the liability is agreed to be paid by the Gold Coast City Council to the entity as a debt; or
- (b) either the council or the entity has given the other a notice of its intention to refer a dispute about the amount of a liability to an arbitrator under subdivision 3.

‘92CD Exclusions

- ‘(1) The *Commercial Arbitration Act 1990* does not apply to a dispute mentioned in subsection 92CC(b).
- ‘(2) Neither the fact of a liability under this subdivision nor its amount is justiciable by a court or tribunal.
- ‘(3) Subsection (2) does not apply to a proceeding to enforce a contract mentioned in section 92CC(a).

‘Subdivision 3 Arbitration

‘92CE Application of sdiv 3

- ‘(1) This subdivision applies if there is a dispute between the Gold Coast City Council and another withdrawn council (the *claimant*) about the amount of—
- (a) a liability of the Gold Coast City Council to the claimant or for Allconnex’s costs under subdivision 2; or
 - (b) a part of the liability or a period to which it relates.
- ‘(2) This subdivision continues to apply after Allconnex’s dissolution.
- ‘(3) The Gold Coast City Council and the claimant are each a *party* to the dispute.

‘92CF Referral to arbitrator

- ‘(1) Either party to the dispute may, by notice, refer the dispute to an arbitrator—
- (a) agreed between the parties to the dispute; or
 - (b) if the parties can not agree—appointed for them by The Institute of Arbitrators & Mediators Australia Limited ACN 008 520 045.
- ‘(2) A person can not be appointed under subsection (1)(b) if—
- (a) the person has a direct or indirect interest in the dispute; and
 - (b) the interest could conflict with the appropriate performance of an arbitrator’s functions concerning the dispute.

‘92CG Conduct of arbitration

- ‘(1) A regulation may provide for how the arbitration must be conducted.

- ‘(2) Subject to the regulation, the arbitrator—
 - (a) may conduct the arbitration in the way the arbitrator considers appropriate; and
 - (b) is not bound by the rules of evidence and may inform himself or herself in the way he or she considers appropriate.
- ‘(3) Evidence about the dispute may be given to the arbitrator in the way the arbitrator considers appropriate.
- ‘(4) The arbitrator and the parties to the arbitration must, in conducting the arbitration, make all reasonable endeavours to ensure the arbitration ends before 1 December 2013.

‘92CH Ordinary protection and immunity allowed

- ‘(1) The arbitrator has, in arbitrating the dispute, the same protection and immunity as a Supreme Court judge performing the functions of a judge.
- ‘(2) A party and any lawyer or other agent representing the party has the same protection and immunity the party would have if the arbitration were a proceeding being heard before the Supreme Court.
- ‘(3) A document produced at, or used for, the arbitration has the same protection during the arbitration it would have if produced before the Supreme Court.

‘92CI Orders

- ‘(1) The arbitrator must make an order fixing the amount of the liability.
- ‘(2) The arbitrator may—
 - (a) make any other incidental or consequential orders the arbitrator considers appropriate; or
 - (b) make an order, or decline to make an order, for costs of the arbitration.

‘92CJ Order final

- ‘(1) An order made by the arbitrator binds each party.
- ‘(2) A party can not apply for review of, or appeal against, the order.

‘92CK How order enforced

- ‘(1) A party may enforce an order made by the arbitrator by filing it in the Supreme Court.
- ‘(2) On the filing, the order is taken to be a judgment of that court.

‘Division 5 Other provisions

‘92CL Application of Judicial Review Act 1991 to particular decisions

- ‘(1) The *Judicial Review Act 1991*, parts 3, 4 and 5, other than section 41(1), do not apply to a decision made, or purportedly made, by the Minister to—
 - (a) give a retransfer notice or retransfer direction; or
 - (b) approve the retransfer staff support framework.
- ‘(2) In this section—
decision includes a decision or conduct leading up to or forming part of the process of making a decision.

‘92CM Effect on legal relationships

- ‘(1) Nothing done under this chapter, including a thing done under, or in compliance with, a retransfer document—
 - (a) makes a relevant entity liable for a civil wrong or a contravention of a law or for a breach of a contract, confidence or duty; or
 - (b) makes a relevant entity in breach of any instrument, including an instrument prohibiting, restricting or

regulating the assignment, novation or transfer of a right or liability or the disclosure of information; or

- (c) is taken to fulfil a condition that—
 - (i) allows a person to terminate an instrument or obligation or modify the operation or effect of an instrument or obligation; or
 - (ii) allows a person to enforce an obligation contained in an instrument or requires a person to perform an obligation contained in an instrument; or
 - (iii) requires any money to be paid before its stated maturity; or
- (d) releases a surety or other obligee, wholly or partly, from an obligation.

‘(2) If, apart from this subsection, the advice, consent or approval of a person would be necessary to do something under this chapter, the advice is taken to have been obtained or the consent or approval is taken to have been given unconditionally.

‘(3) If, apart from this Act, giving notice to a person would be necessary to do something under this chapter, the notice is taken to have been given.

‘(4) For subsection (1), (2) or (3), a thing done under this chapter, or doing something under this chapter, extends to the doing of all acts preparatory to or otherwise for the purposes of doing the thing, including, for example, all things done in preparation for any of the following matters—

- (a) Allconnex ceasing to be a service provider;
- (b) a withdrawn council becoming a service provider for its local government area;
- (c) the retransfer;
- (d) Allconnex’s dissolution;
- (e) anything consequential or incidental to a matter mentioned in paragraph (a) to (d).

‘(5) In this section—

relevant entity means all or any of the following—

- (a) the State or an employee or agent of the State;
- (b) a withdrawn council or any of its councillors, employees or agents;
- (c) Allconnex, a member of its board or an employee or agent of Allconnex.

‘92CN References to Allconnex

‘In an Act or document, a reference to Allconnex about a matter may, if the context permits, be taken to be a reference to its successor for the matter.

‘92CO Registering authority to register or record transfer

‘(1) A registering authority must, on application by a withdrawn council, register or record in the appropriate way a transfer, under this chapter, of a particular asset, liability or instrument to the council.

‘(2) The application must—

- (a) for land—be a request to the registering authority in the appropriate form; or
- (b) otherwise—be written and give all the information that under any relevant law would be required to register the transfer.

‘(3) Subject to subsection (2), if the transfer is of a motor vehicle, the parties to the transfer are exempt from complying with any procedure under the following that, apart from this section, they would have been required to comply with to register the transfer—

- (a) the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004*;

(b) the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*.

‘(4) In this section—

parties means Allconnex and the withdrawn council.

procedure includes the giving of a certificate or other document.

registering authority means the registrar or another entity required or authorised by law to register or record transactions affecting or relating to assets, liabilities or instruments.

‘92CP Non-liability for State taxes, charges or fees

‘(1) Allconnex and the withdrawn councils are not liable to pay any of the following relating to anything done under a retransfer document—

(a) a tax under the *Duties Act 2001* or another Act;

(b) a charge or fee under the Land Act, Land Title Act, *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*, Water Act or another Act.

‘(2) In this section—

tax includes duty, impost and levy.

‘92CQ Tax equivalents

‘Section 100(3) ceases to apply to Allconnex for any function performed by it after the end of 30 June 2012, but continues to apply for all functions it performs before that time.

‘92CR Existing trade waste compliance notices

‘(1) A discharge compliance notice given by Allconnex is taken to have been given by its successor for the matter the subject of the notice when it was given by Allconnex.

- ‘(2) Section 53DL applies as if the successor were a distributor-retailer.

‘Part 5 Provisions for other laws and instruments

‘Division 1 Preliminary

‘92CS Application of pt 5

‘This part applies from the end of 30 June 2012.

‘Division 2 Water Act

‘92CT Provision for market rules

- ‘(1) A withdrawn council becomes a registered grid participant in the grid customer and distribution service provider categories under the market rules under the Water Act.
- ‘(2) All instruments under the market rules applying to distributor-retailers are taken to apply to a withdrawn council for its local government area.
- ‘(3) Allconnex ceases to be a grid customer under the market rules.

‘92CU New grid contract documents for withdrawn councils

- ‘(1) This section applies if Allconnex is a party to a grid contract document under the Water Act (the *old contract*).
- ‘(2) On 1 July 2012, each withdrawn council is taken to have become a party to a grid contract document under the Water Act (a *new contract*) instead of Allconnex.

- ‘(3) The provisions of each new contract are those of the old contract other than for changes necessary to reflect—
 - (a) the withdrawn council being a party; and
 - (b) the contract applying only for the withdrawn council’s local government area.
- ‘(4) To remove any doubt, it is declared that this section does not alter or affect the power, under the Water Act, section 360ZDD, of the Minister administering that Act to amend the new contract.

‘92CUA Water efficiency management plans

- ‘(1) A notice under the WEMP provisions from Allconnex to a relevant customer is taken to have been given by Allconnex’s successor when Allconnex gave the notice.
- ‘(2) A WEMP given to Allconnex and not approved by it is taken to have been given to its successor on 1 July 2012.
- ‘(3) An approved WEMP for Allconnex’s geographic area is taken to have been approved by its successor when it was approved.
- ‘(4) An application under the WEMP provisions to Allconnex that has not been decided is taken to have been made to Allconnex’s successor on 1 July 2012.
- ‘(5) A liability or obligation under the WEMP provisions from a relevant customer to Allconnex is taken to be a liability or obligation to its successor when the liability or obligation first became owing to Allconnex.
- ‘(6) In this section—

WEMP means a water efficiency management plan under the WEMP provisions.

WEMP provisions means the Water Act, chapter 2A, part 5, division 3.

‘92CUB Migration of other actions

- ‘(1) This section applies for an action taken by Allconnex under the Water Act about its geographic area functions to which section 92CUA does not apply.
- ‘(2) The action is taken to have been taken by Allconnex’s successor when it was taken by Allconnex.
- ‘(3) However, subsection (2)—
 - (a) is subject to the other provisions of this chapter and all retransfer documents; and
 - (b) does not affect the successor’s power under the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, section 24AA to amend or repeal a decision.
- ‘(4) In this section—
action includes the making or giving of a decision, notice or other document.

‘Division 3 Water Supply Act

‘Subdivision 1 Existing trade waste and seepage approvals

‘92CV Existing trade waste and seepage water approvals

- ‘(1) All trade waste approvals and seepage water approvals (each an *existing approval*) given by Allconnex are taken to have been given by its successor for the water infrastructure the subject of the approval.
- ‘(2) Subsection (3) applies if—
 - (a) Allconnex is required under the Water Supply Act, section 185 to give an approval holder a notice amending the holder’s approval; and
 - (b) it has not given that notice.

- ‘(3) Allconnex’s successor for the approval must give the notice as soon as practicable after it becomes aware of the requirement.

‘92CW Power to amend existing trade waste approvals for particular purposes

- ‘(1) This section applies for a trade waste approval or seepage water approval (each an *existing approval*) that, under section 92CV(1), is taken to have been given by a withdrawn council.
- ‘(2) Subject to subsections (3) and (4), the withdrawn council may amend the existing approval to ensure the consistency of all existing approvals of the same type given for its local government area.
- ‘(3) An amendment under subsection (2) can not be made after 1 July 2013.
- ‘(4) Section 53AH applies to the amendment—
- (a) as if the withdrawn council were a distributor-retailer; and
 - (b) as if the amendment were a consistency amendment; and
 - (c) with other necessary changes.
- ‘(5) The withdrawn council may, by notice, also amend an existing approval to make any change necessary to reflect that the approval is being given by it instead of Allconnex.

‘Subdivision 2 Other matters

‘92CX Migration of applications

- ‘(1) An application made to Allconnex concerning its geographic area functions that has not been decided is taken to have been made to its successor for the application on 1 July 2012.
- ‘(2) In this section—
application includes—

- (a) a request under the Water Supply Act, section 167 to connect to Allconnex's infrastructure; and
- (b) an application for a trade waste approval or seepage water approval.

'92CY Migration of Allconnex's actions

- '(1) This section applies for an action taken by Allconnex under the Water Supply Act about its geographic area functions.
- '(2) The action is taken to have been taken by Allconnex's successor when it was taken by Allconnex.
- '(3) However, subsection (2)—
 - (a) is subject to the other provisions of this chapter and all retransfer documents; and
 - (b) does not affect the successor's power under the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*, section 24AA to amend or repeal a decision.
- '(4) Subsection (2) ceases to apply for a document on—
 - (a) 1 July 2013; or
 - (b) if, before 1 July 2013, a later day is prescribed under a regulation—the later day.
- '(5) In this section—

action includes the making or giving of a decision, notice or other document.

'92CZ Compliance and other notices

- '(1) This section applies for any of the following notices under the Water Supply Act given to Allconnex that have not been complied with—
 - (a) a compliance notice;
 - (b) an information notice;
 - (c) a regulator notice.

- ‘(2) The notice is taken to have been given to Allconnex’s successor for the matter the subject of the notice on 1 July 2012.

‘92DA Plans under the Water Supply Act—generally

- ‘(1) The following provisions of the Water Supply Act do not apply to a withdrawn council—
- (a) sections 106 to 109, other than to the extent the sections provide for any matter about the withdrawn council’s drinking water quality management plan;
 - (b) chapter 2, part 4, division 6.
- ‘(2) The following provisions of the Water Supply Act do not apply to a withdrawn council that has a water netserv plan—
- (a) chapter 2, part 4, divisions 1 and 2;
 - (b) chapter 2, part 4, division 4, other than to the extent the division provides for any matter about the withdrawn council’s drinking water quality management plan.

‘92DB Provision about service areas—after water netserv plan is in effect

- ‘(1) This section applies to a withdrawn council from the day the withdrawn council has a water netserv plan.
- ‘(2) The Water Supply Act, chapter 2, part 5, division 2 does not apply to the withdrawn council.
- ‘(3) For applying the Water Supply Act, chapter 2, part 5, divisions 3 to 5, a reference in the divisions to a service area is, for a withdrawn council, a reference to its connection area.

‘92DC Strategic asset management plan

- ‘(1) This section applies for the Water Supply Act, chapter 2, part 4, division 1 in relation to a withdrawn council, until the council has a water netserv plan.

- ‘(2) The existing strategic asset management plan for Allconnex’s registered services becomes a withdrawn council’s approved strategic asset management plan for its local government area.
- ‘(3) The Water Supply Act, sections 73 and 74 do not apply to a withdrawn council.

‘92DD Recycled water management plan

- ‘(1) This section applies for the Water Supply Act, chapter 3, part 2.
- ‘(2) Allconnex’s recycled water management plan for Allconnex’s recycled water schemes becomes a withdrawn council’s approved recycled water management plan for the council’s recycled water schemes.

‘92DE System leakage management plans

- ‘(1) This section applies for the Water Supply Act, chapter 2, part 4, division 2 in relation to a withdrawn council until the council has a water netserv plan.
- ‘(2) Allconnex’s approved system leakage management plan becomes the withdrawn council’s existing system leakage management plan to the extent that plan applied for its local government area.
- ‘(3) The Water Supply Act, sections 82 and 87 do not apply to the withdrawn council.

‘92DF Drinking water quality management plan

- ‘(1) This section applies for the Water Supply Act, chapter 2, part 4, division 3, subdivision 1 in relation to a withdrawn council until it has an approved drinking water quality management plan under that Act.
- ‘(2) The existing drinking water quality management plan for Allconnex’s drinking water service becomes the withdrawn council’s approved drinking water quality management plan.

‘Division 4 Water EPP

‘92DG Trade waste plans and managing wastewater services

- ‘(1) From the day a withdrawn council has a water netserv plan, the water EPP, section 20 (*section 20*) and section 22 (*section 22*) do not apply to the council as a sewerage service provider.
- ‘(2) Until that day—
 - (a) Allconnex’s trade waste management plan becomes a withdrawn council’s trade waste management plan; and
 - (b) each withdrawn council must, in managing its wastewater service, have regard to the provisions about the matters that, under section 20, are included in the plan.
- ‘(3) Section 20 and section 22 cease to apply to Allconnex.
- ‘(4) For the water EPP, section 16(2)(b), all withdrawn councils are taken to be a large local government.
- ‘(5) In this section—

trade waste management plan means an environmental plan about trade waste management under section 22.

‘Division 5 Amending particular documents to reflect transition

‘92DH Amendment power

- ‘(1) The parties to a multi-area document may, until 1 July 2013, amend the document in a way that reflects the retransfer.
- ‘(2) The power under subsection (1)—
 - (a) is subject to the other provisions of this part; and
 - (b) is exercisable in the same way, and subject to the same conditions, as the power to make the document.

‘(3) In this section—

multi-area document means a document made under an Act relating to the former water services or wastewater services of Allconnex, including, for example, any of the following—

- (a) a drinking water quality management plan;
- (b) a recycled water management plan under the Water Supply Act;
- (c) a strategic asset management plan under the Water Supply Act;
- (d) an approved protocol under the market rules under the Water Act.

‘Division 6 Planning Act

‘92DI Cessation of Allconnex’s functions

‘(1) The following things under the Planning Act cease—

- (a) Allconnex’s concurrence agency functions;
- (b) Allconnex’s functions under chapter 9, part 7A;
- (c) all of Allconnex’s other functions as a distributor-retailer;
- (d) a withdrawn council’s obligations relating to Allconnex.

‘(2) Subsection (3) applies if—

- (a) Allconnex has functions—
 - (i) as a concurrence agency for a development application; or
 - (ii) for a request for compliance assessment; and
- (b) those functions were required to be, or could have been, performed but had not been performed.

- ‘(3) The functions merge into Allconnex’s successor’s function as the assessment manager for the application or as the compliance assessor for the request.
- ‘(4) The Planning Act, chapter 8, part 1 ceases to apply to Allconnex as a distributor-retailer.

‘92DJ Continued effect of non-application of planning schemes under s 78A

‘To remove any doubt, it is declared that nothing in this chapter prevents the continued effect of section 78A for development in the SEQ region.

‘Division 7 Acquisition of Land Act

‘92DK Existing acquisitions

- ‘(1) This section applies to land acquired by Allconnex as a constructing authority under the Acquisition of Land Act.
- ‘(2) If the land is transferred to a withdrawn council under this chapter, for section 41 of that Act the council is the constructing authority that acquired that land on the day it was acquired.

‘92DL Acquisitions interrupted by retransfer scheme or notice

- ‘(1) This section applies if Allconnex has—
 - (a) served a notice of intention to resume to take land as a constructing authority under the Acquisition of Land Act; or
 - (b) entered into an agreement to take land under that Act.
- ‘(2) A withdrawn council may by notice given to each affected person decide to continue the taking.
- ‘(3) The notice must state—

- (a) that the withdrawn council has become the constructing authority for the taking; and
 - (b) its address for service of documents.
- ‘(4) On the giving of the notice, for the Acquisition of Land Act—
- (a) the withdrawn council becomes the constructing authority for the taking; and
 - (b) Allconnex’s rights and obligations concerning the taking end.
- ‘(5) However, the purpose of the taking does not change.
- ‘(6) In this section—
- affected person***, for the taking, means—
- (a) each person—
 - (i) on whom Allconnex served a notice of intention to resume to take the land under the Acquisition of Land Act; or
 - (ii) with whom Allconnex has entered into an agreement to take the land; and
 - (b) anyone else the withdrawn council considers is financially affected by the taking.

‘92DM Provisions for withdrawn council becoming constructing authority

- ‘(1) This section applies if under section 92DL, a withdrawn council becomes the constructing authority for the taking of land instead of Allconnex.
- ‘(2) Allconnex must give the withdrawn council the documents relating to the taking.
- ‘(3) Despite the Acquisition of Land Act, section 12(1), the land taken under a gazette resumption notice under that Act vests in the withdrawn council.
- ‘(4) The withdrawn council—

- (a) has for the taking the same functions and obligations under the Acquisition of Land Act as Allconnex; and
 - (b) does not represent the State for section 12 of that Act.
- ‘(5) The rights under the Acquisition of Land Act of a person served with a notice of intention to resume or who entered into an agreement to take the land do not change.
- ‘(6) A reference to Allconnex in a document relating to the taking is, if the context permits, taken to be a reference to the withdrawn council.
- ‘(7) Without limiting subsection (6), if Allconnex is taking the land under an agreement to take—
- (a) a reference in the agreement to Allconnex is taken to be a reference to the withdrawn council; and
 - (b) the agreement gives rise to the same rights and liabilities that would have arisen if Allconnex were still a party to the agreement.

‘Division 8 Land Act

‘92DN Provision for particular freehold land and Land Act leases

- ‘(1) This section applies if, under section 75 or 76, a deed of grant or a lease has been issued to Allconnex for particular land.
- ‘(2) A retransfer document can not transfer the land or lease to a withdrawn council other than the geographically-connected withdrawn council.

‘Division 9 Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002

‘92DO Cessation of functions and other matters

- ‘(1) The following things under the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002* cease—

- (a) Allconnex's SEQ water functions and other functions as a distributor-retailer;
 - (b) a withdrawn council's and anyone else's obligations relating to Allconnex.
- '(2) In this section—
- SEQ water functions* means functions as a service provider relating to approving connections to, disconnections from or changes to connections to, water infrastructure.

'Division 10 LGA 2009

'92DP LGA 2009 applies for particular debts to Allconnex

- '(1) This section applies if Allconnex is owed an amount for a charge-related debt.
- '(2) From 1 July 2012, LGA 2009 applies for the debt—
- (a) as if the debt were overdue rates and charges under that Act owing to Allconnex's successor; and
 - (b) as if the overdue rates and charges had become owing when the debt became owing to Allconnex; and
 - (c) as if action taken by the successor to recover the overdue rates and charges includes all action taken by Allconnex to recover the debt from anyone liable to pay it.
- '(3) In this section—
- 1 July 2010 charge handover arrangement* means an arrangement mentioned in expired sections 26 and 27 of the *South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Regulation 2010*.
- charge-related debt* means all or any of the following—
- (a) an overdue charge;
 - (b) either—

- (i) CPI indexation on the overdue charge as if the quarter ending 30 June 2012 had ended; or
- (ii) any interest charged on the overdue charge;
- (c) a charge imposed under a 1 July 2010 charge handover arrangement;
- (d) costs mentioned in section 53AV(1)(b) ordered to be paid to Allconnex by any owner of premises to which an amount owing to Allconnex for an matter mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c) relates.

‘Part 6 Provisions for separately retransferred land and attached assets

‘92DQ Application of pt 6

‘This part applies if, under a retransfer document—

- (a) a withdrawn council becomes the owner of an asset attached to or on particular land; and
- (b) the withdrawn council does not own or have a right to occupy the land.

‘92DR References to land with asset attached

‘A reference in this part to land to which an asset is attached is a reference to the parcel of land for which there is an instrument of title that includes the particular area covered by the asset.

‘92DS Entry to the land by local government workers

‘For LGA 2009, section 144 the asset is a local government facility of the withdrawn council installed by the council.

‘92DT Land owner’s obligations for asset

‘The owner of the land can not, without the withdrawn council’s written consent—

- (a) interfere with the asset; or
- (b) take any step to change the use of the land to which the asset is attached; or
- (c) carry out material works or make material improvements to the land; or
- (d) grant rights to anyone else relating to the land that are inconsistent with the asset owner’s rights under LGA 2009, section 144.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

‘Part 7 Restrictions on particular charges for 2012–13 financial year

‘Division 1 Preliminary

‘92DU Definitions for pt 7

‘In this part—

2011–12 Allconnex services means relevant services under chapter 2A, part 3, division 1 charged by Allconnex for the 2011–12 financial year.

2012–13 withdrawn council services see section 92DV(3).

capped charge see section 92DV(1).

charged premises see section 92DV(1).

‘92DV Application of pt 7

‘(1) This part applies to the charge (the *capped charge*) for water services or wastewater services provided by a withdrawn council to premises (the *charged premises*)—

- (a) in the 2012–13 financial year; and
- (b) for a customer who—
 - (i) is a residential customer or a small business customer of the withdrawn council for the services; or
 - (ii) is a customer of the withdrawn council for the services who passes on the charge to a person occupying the charged premises or a part of the premises for residential purposes; or

Examples of a customer for subparagraph (ii)—

- the owner of a retirement village
 - a body corporate for a community titles scheme under the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997*
- (iii) is a customer of the withdrawn council for the services who passes on the charge to a person who—
 - (A) occupies the charged premises or a part of the premises to conduct a business; and
 - (B) would, if the person were a customer of the withdrawn council for the services, be a small business customer of the withdrawn council.

‘(2) However, this division does not apply to—

- (a) a charge for the discharge of trade waste or the supply of recycled water; or
- (b) an overdue charge relating to a charge mentioned in paragraph (a).

- ‘(3) The water services or wastewater services to which a capped charge relates are the **2012–13 withdrawn council services**.
- ‘(4) This division applies despite any other provision of this Act.

‘Division 2 Cap for 2012–13 financial year

‘92DW Cap

- ‘(1) The amount (the *cap*) of the capped charge for 2012-13 withdrawn council services can not be more than the amount worked out by using the formula—

$$C = (2011-12 BC - 2011-12 RS) + 2012-13 I + 2012-13 BW$$

where—

C means the cap.

2011–12 BC (an abbreviation for 2011–12 base component) means the sum of the following—

- (a) the fixed access charges for 2011–12 Allconnex services;
- (b) the customer’s charge rate for water consumption or wastewater disposal based on variable measures for 2011–12 Allconnex services, as applied to the customer’s water consumption or wastewater disposal in the 2012–13 financial year.

2011–12 RS means the amount of any rebate or subsidy for 2011–12 Allconnex services provided by the withdrawn council.

2012–13 I means the CPI increase for the 2012–13 financial year worked out under the formula in subsection (2).

2012–13 BW means the bulk water component of the charge for 2012–13 withdrawn council services.

- ‘(2) For subsection (1), the formula for the CPI increase is—

$$2012-13 I = (2011-12 BC - 2011-12 RS) \times CPI$$

‘(3) For subsection (2)—

- (a) *CPI* means the CPI figure from the Capital Cities Comparison in the publication ‘Consumer Price Index, Australia’, Cat no. 6401.0, for Brisbane relating to the annual period from one March quarter to the next March quarter published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics immediately before the start of the 2012–13 financial year; and
- (b) other variable symbols have the same meaning as under subsection (1).

‘(4) To remove any doubt, it is declared that the 2011–12 base component does not include the bulk water component of the charge for 2011–12 Allconnex services.

‘(5) This section applies subject to division 3.

‘92DX Cap not affected by rebate or subsidy change

‘To remove any doubt, it is declared that the cap under this division is not affected by a change in the withdrawn council’s rebate or subsidy for the 2012–13 financial year.

‘Division 3 Provisions for no or partial base year

‘92DY Application of div 3

‘This division applies if—

- (a) the 2012–13 withdrawn council services are not being provided by the withdrawn council at the start of the 2012–13 financial year, but are provided by it during that year; or
- (b) the relevant services were not provided by Allconnex to the charged premises during all of the 2011–12 financial year or were provided for only part of that year.

‘92DZ Notional base component required for working out cap

‘For division 2, the withdrawn council must work out the cap as if—

- (a) the distributor-retailer capping provisions had applied to the 2011–12 financial year for the customer during all of that year; and
- (b) the 2011–12 Allconnex services were provided to the customer for all of the 2011–12 financial year.

‘92EA Criteria if no base year

‘(1) This section applies if—

- (a) this division started to apply to the capped charge for the customer at the start of the 2012–13 financial year; or
- (b) the 2011–12 Allconnex services were not provided to the charged premises during any of the 2011–12 financial year.

‘(2) In working out the cap under section 92DZ, the withdrawn council must consider charges for 2011–12 Allconnex services to similar customers for premises similar to the charged premises.

‘92EB Criteria if partial base year

‘(1) This section applies if—

- (a) the distributor-retailer capping provisions started to apply to a capped charge under those provisions for the customer after the start of, but during, the 2011–12 financial year; or
- (b) 2011–12 Allconnex services were provided to the charged premises for only part of the 2011–12 financial year.

‘(2) In working out the cap under section 92DZ, the withdrawn council must consider charges for 2011–12 Allconnex services actually imposed.

‘Part 8 Workforce provisions

‘Division 1 Support framework for retransfer

‘92EC Ministerial approval of framework

- ‘(1) The Minister administering this Act may, by notice, approve a framework (the *retransfer staff support framework*)—
- (a) directed at ensuring—
 - (i) the proper transition of Allconnex’s employees transferred under a retransfer document; and
 - (ii) the appropriate and fair treatment of employees of the withdrawn councils affected by the transition; and
 - (b) to replace the staff support framework to the extent it applies to Allconnex and the withdrawn councils.
- ‘(2) However, before making the retransfer staff support framework, the Minister must seek and consider the views of the Minister administering the IR Act about it.
- ‘(3) The notice is subordinate legislation.

‘92ED When framework commences

- ‘(1) The retransfer staff support framework must state a day (the *day of effect*) it is to take effect.
- ‘(2) The day of effect may be any day before or after this section commences.
- ‘(3) On gazettal of the notice approving the framework, it is taken to have effect, and to have always had effect, from the day of effect.
- ‘(4) Subsection (3) applies despite the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*, section 34.
- ‘(5) In this section—

gazettal means notification under the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*, section 47.

‘92EE Effect on staff support framework

- ‘(1) This section applies when the retransfer staff support framework commences (the *start day*).
- ‘(2) The staff support framework ceases to apply for Allconnex’s employees and the withdrawn councils.
- ‘(3) However, subsection (2) does not invalidate or otherwise affect anything done under the staff support framework before the start day.
- ‘(4) To remove any doubt, it is declared that nothing in this part affects the staff support framework continuing to apply for an employee of another distributor-retailer.

‘92EF Publication of framework

- ‘(1) As soon as practicable after the retransfer staff support framework is approved, the Minister must—
 - (a) give a copy of it to—
 - (i) Allconnex; and
 - (ii) each withdrawn council; and
 - (iii) any industrial organisation representing the employees of Allconnex or the withdrawn councils; and
 - (b) ensure a copy is published on the commission’s website.
- ‘(2) A failure to comply with subsection (1) does not invalidate or otherwise affect the retransfer staff support framework.

‘92EG Obligation to comply with framework

- ‘(1) Allconnex, each withdrawn council and each organisation mentioned in section 92EF(1)(a)(iii) must comply with the

retransfer staff support framework to the extent the framework applies to it.

- ‘(2) A contravention of subsection (1) does not, of itself, create a legally enforceable right of anyone else.

Note—

See however section 92BD(2)(d).

‘92EH Framework prevails over retransfer scheme or notice

‘If a provision of the retransfer staff support framework is inconsistent with a provision of a retransfer scheme or retransfer notice, the provision of the framework prevails to the extent of the inconsistency.

‘Division 2 Preservation of employee rights

‘Subdivision 1 Preliminary

‘92EI Application of div 2

‘This division applies to the transfer of an employee of Allconnex to a withdrawn council under a retransfer document.

‘Subdivision 2 General provisions

‘92EJ Transfer has effect despite other laws and instruments

‘The transfer has effect despite any other law, contract or other instrument.

‘92EK Continuity of employment

- ‘(1) The transfer does not—

- (a) interrupt continuity of service; or
 - (b) constitute a termination of employment by Allconnex or a retrenchment or redundancy; or
 - (c) entitle the employee to a payment or other benefit because the employee is no longer employed by Allconnex; or
 - (d) of itself, require Allconnex to make any payment for the employee's accrued rights to recreation, sick, long service or other leave that did not otherwise have to be paid.
- ‘(2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that—
- (a) subsection (1)(a) does not mean the employee may claim the benefit of a right or entitlement more than once for the same period of service; and
 - (b) subsection (1)(d) applies irrespective of any arrangement between Allconnex and the employee.

‘Subdivision 3 Preservation of employees’ rights during retransfer period

‘92EL What is the *retransfer period* and *existing conditions*

‘The *retransfer period* is the period from the employee's transfer to the withdrawn council until whichever of the following happens first—

- (a) the employee becomes covered by a new certified agreement under the IR Act replacing some or all of the employee's conditions applying immediately before the transfer (the *existing conditions*);
- (b) if the existing conditions are not under a designated industrial instrument—

- (i) a new contract of employment is agreed between the withdrawn council and the employee; and
- (ii) the contract replaces the existing conditions.

‘92EM What is a *designated industrial instrument*

‘In this subdivision, a *designated industrial instrument* is any of the following—

- (a) an industrial instrument under the IR Act, including, for example, a substitute State instrument under the IR Act, chapter 20, part 7;
- (b) a continuing schedule 6 instrument under the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cwlth);
- (c) a fair work instrument under the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cwlth);
- (d) an agreement-based transitional instrument under the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cwlth);
- (e) the following award-based transitional instruments under the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cwlth)—
 - (i) a notional agreement preserving State awards derived from a State award;
 - (ii) an award;
- (f) the Queensland Local Government Officers’ Award 1998.

‘92EN Preservation of rights

‘(1) During the retransfer period, the employee’s conditions—

- (a) are the existing conditions; and
- (b) are not decided by reference to any other law or instrument about minimum employment conditions.

- ‘(2) Subsection (1) applies subject to the retransfer staff support framework and section 92EO.

‘92EO Provisions for existing conditions

- ‘(1) The employee may enforce existing conditions under any of the following as if they were under an industrial instrument under the IR Act—
- (a) a designated industrial instrument;
 - (b) a notional agreement preserving State awards derived only from a State law;
 - (c) a transitional minimum wage instrument or transitional national minimum wage order under the *Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009* (Cwlth);
 - (d) a national minimum wage order under the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cwlth);
 - (e) the NES;
 - (f) the Queensland minimum wage under the IR Act.
- ‘(2) If the employee has existing conditions under a designated industrial instrument—
- (a) the employee is taken to be employed by the withdrawn council under an industrial instrument for the IR Act, chapter 3; and
 - (b) the existing conditions are taken to include any dispute resolution clause that, under any retransfer scheme or a retransfer notice, applies to the withdrawn council and the employee during the retransfer period.
- ‘(3) The dispute resolution clause applies instead of any other provision about dispute resolution that would otherwise apply under the existing conditions.
- ‘(4) In this section—
- NES* means the National Employment Standards under the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cwlth).

- (c) Allconnex's chief executive officer goes out of office as its chief executive.

'92ES Other provisions for dissolution

- '(1) No amount, whether by way of compensation, reimbursement or otherwise, is payable by—
 - (a) the State for or in connection with the enactment or operation of this part; or
 - (b) the Minister for fixing Allconnex's dissolution day.
- '(2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that this part does not limit or otherwise affect a following right that had accrued or was accruing immediately before Allconnex's dissolution day—
 - (a) a right of a former member of Allconnex to a benefit or entitlement under a contract concerning that membership;
 - (b) a right of the former chief executive officer of Allconnex to a benefit or entitlement under a contract concerning that employment.
- '(3) On Allconnex's dissolution day, the benefit or entitlement ceases to accrue and becomes payable as if—
 - (a) the contract had, according to its terms, been terminated on that day; and
 - (b) the termination had been other than by Allconnex.
- '(4) Subject to any retransfer document, the withdrawn councils are Allconnex's proportional joint successor for the liability for the benefit or entitlement.'

24 Amendment of s 93 (Minister's power to make code)

Section 93(1), 'distributor-retailers'—

omit, insert—

'SEQ service providers'.

25 Amendment of s 94 (Particular matters code may provide for)

- (1) Section 94(1), ‘distributor-retailers’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service providers’.

- (2) Section 94(1), note—

omit, insert—

‘Note—

Disputes arising between particular customers and an SEQ service provider about a function or obligation of the provider under the code may, under the EWO Act, section 18A, be referred to the energy and water ombudsman.’.

26 Amendment of s 99AAA (Distributor-retailer to give report to commission)

- (1) Section 99AAA, heading, ‘Distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘**SEQ service provider**’.

- (2) Section 99AAA, ‘A distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘An SEQ service provider’.

- (3) Section 99AAA, ‘distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service provider’.

27 Amendment of s 99AB (Obligation to comply with part)

- (1) Section 99AB(1), ‘A distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘An SEQ service provider’.

- (2) Section 99AB(2), ‘*Energy and Water Ombudsman Act 2006*’—
omit, insert—
‘EWO Act’.

28 Amendment of s 99AC (Application of complaints standard)

- Section 99AC(1), ‘a distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’.

29 Amendment of s 99AD (Customer service charter)

- (1) Section 99AD(1), ‘distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99AD(1)(b), ‘distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’s’.

30 Replacement of s 99AE (Updating of and access to customer service charter)

- Section 99AE—
omit, insert—

‘99AE Updating charter

‘An SEQ service provider must update its customer service charter as soon as practicable to take account of the provisions of the customer water and wastewater code or this part.

‘99AEA Access to charter

- ‘(1) An SEQ service provider must give a copy of its customer service charter, free of charge, to anyone who asks and has not already been given a copy.
- ‘(2) When a withdrawn council first makes its customer service charter, it must, with or in its first account to each customer after the charter is made, tell the customer—
 - (a) that the charter has been made; and
 - (b) of the customer’s right under subsection (1) to obtain a copy.’.

31 Amendment of s 99AFA (Distributor-retailer may accept meter reading by customer)

- (1) Section 99AFA, heading, ‘Distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99AFA, ‘a distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’.

32 Amendment of s 99AG (Meters must be read annually)

- (1) Section 99AG, ‘Each distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘Each SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99AG, note, ‘a distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’.

33 Replacement of s 99AH (Methods and basis of charging)

Section 99AH—

omit, insert—

‘99AH Methods and basis of charging

- ‘(1) An SEQ service provider may use methods of charging for water supplied or sold by it to its customers the provider considers appropriate, including, for example—
- (a) giving an account based on meter readings; or
 - (b) if the water supplied or sold is not measured by a water meter—
 - (i) the estimated average water usage of the customers within a group of customers who have similar water usage; or
 - (ii) another method that is appropriate to decide a customer’s likely water usage.
- ‘(2) However, an SEQ service provider must not give an estimated account to a customer for 2 or more consecutive periods.

Example—

It may be a reasonable excuse for an offence under section 99AB for a contravention of subsection (2) that reasonable access was not available to the meter at the customer’s premises.’.

34 Amendment of s 99AI (Special meter readings)

- (1) Section 99AI(1), ‘a distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99AI(2) and (4), ‘distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.

35 Replacement of s 99AJ (Meter accuracy test at customer’s request)

Section 99AJ—

omit, insert—

‘99AJ Meter accuracy test at customer’s request

- ‘(1) A customer of an SEQ service provider may ask the provider to test the accuracy of the provider’s meter installed on the customer’s premises—
- (a) by a test carried out for the SEQ service provider (a *provider test*); or
 - (b) by referring the meter for testing to an independent person (the *independent tester*) accredited by the National Association of Testing Authorities (an *independent test*).
- ‘(2) The SEQ service provider or independent tester may require the customer to pay the following before carrying out the test—
- (a) for a provider test—a charge owing by the customer to the SEQ service provider for water services or wastewater services;
 - (b) the fee for testing each meter to be tested.
- ‘(3) The fee must be the reasonable, but no more than the actual, cost of each test.
- ‘(4) Subject to any payment required under subsection (2), the SEQ service provider or independent tester must cause the test to be carried out.
- ‘(5) The SEQ service provider or independent tester must tell the customer when and where the test is to be carried out.
- ‘(6) The customer, or customer’s nominee, may be present during the test.’.

36 Amendment of s 99AM (Notice of test results)

Section 99AM(1), ‘a distributor-retailer test’—

omit, insert—

‘a provider test’.

37 Amendment of s 99AN (Refund and adjustment if inaccuracy)

- (1) Section 99AN(1), ‘a distributor-retailer test’—
omit, insert—
‘a provider test’.
- (2) Section 99AN(1), ‘it must’—
omit, insert—
‘the relevant SEQ service provider must’.

38 Amendment of s 99AO (Using testing instruments)

- (1) Section 99AO(1), ‘A distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘An SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99AO(2), ‘distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.

39 Replacement of s 99AT (Restricting water supply for not paying charges or giving security)

Section 99AT—
omit, insert—

‘99AT Restricting water supply

- ‘(1) This section applies if all of the following apply—
- (a) premises are connected to an SEQ service provider’s water service;
 - (b) a residential customer or non-residential customer of the provider fails to do any of the following (the *contravention*)—
 - (i) pay a charge for the service;

- (ii) comply with a service provider water restriction or commission water restriction under the Water Act;
 - (iii) if the provider is a distributor-retailer—give security requested under subdivision 1 for the service;
 - (c) the provider has given the customer at least 1 month’s notice to fix the contravention;
 - (d) the customer continues not to fix the contravention.
- ‘(2) The provider may reduce the water supply to the premises to the minimum level necessary for the customer’s health and sanitation purposes.
- ‘(3) However, the provider must not completely shut off the water supply to the premises.
- ‘(4) In this section—
- fix*, the contravention, means—
- (a) for a failure to pay a charge—pay the charge; or
 - (b) for a noncompliance with a restriction—not continue to contravene it; or
 - (c) for security requested—give it.’.

40 Amendment of s 99ATA (Publication etc. of charges)

- (1) Section 99ATA, ‘A distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘An SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99ATA(3), ‘a distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’.
- (3) Section 99ATA, ‘the distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘the SEQ service provider’.

- (4) Section 99ATA, ‘distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’s’.

41 Amendment of s 99ATB (Exemption from charges)

- (1) Section 99ATB(1), ‘a distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99ATB(2), ‘distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.

42 Amendment of s 99AU (Application of div 4)

- Section 99AU, ‘a distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’.

43 Amendment of s 99AV (Matters required to be stated in account)

- (1) Section 99AV(1)(i), ‘distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99AV(1)(k), ‘under section 53AT’—
omit.
- (3) Section 99AV(3), from ‘heading called’—
omit, insert—
‘heading called—

- (a) for a distributor-retailer—‘Local Government distributor-retailer price’; or
- (b) for another SEQ service provider—‘Local Government distribution and retail price’.

44 Replacement of s 99AW (Requirements for accounts included in rates notice)

Section 99AW—

omit, insert—

‘99AW Requirements for accounts for rates notices

- ‘(1) This section applies if the account is—
 - (a) from a withdrawn council; or
 - (b) from a distributor-retailer and the account is included in a rates notice.
- ‘(2) The account must—
 - (a) be on a separate page to the rates notice; and
 - (b) either—
 - (i) if the account is from a distributor-retailer—be clearly identified as an account to the customer from the distributor-retailer; or
 - (ii) if the account is from a withdrawn council—be clearly identified as an account to the customer from the council for water services and wastewater services.
- ‘(3) In this section—
rates notice means an account or other notice for the payment of rates under LGA 2009 or CBA 2010.’

45 Amendment of s 99AX (New owner’s obligation to notify distributor-retailer)

- (1) Section 99AX, heading, ‘distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service provider’.

- (2) Section 99AX, ‘a distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘an SEQ service provider’.

- (3) Section 99AX, ‘the distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘the SEQ service provider’.

46 Amendment of s 99AY (What is the SEQ design and construction code)

Section 99AY(a), ‘distributor-retailers’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service providers’.

47 Amendment of s 99AZ (Requirement to have code)

Section 99AZ, ‘distributor-retailers’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service providers’.

48 Amendment of s 99BB (Public notice about availability of draft code)

- (1) Section 99BB(1), ‘distributor-retailers’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service providers’.

- (2) Section 99BB(1)(b)—

omit, insert—

‘(b) keep a copy of the draft available for inspection and purchase; and’.

(3) Section 99BB(2)(a), ‘, on payment of a fee,’—

omit.

(4) Section 99BB(4)—

omit, insert—

‘(4) Each SEQ service provider must, from the publication of the notice to the final submission day, keep a copy of the draft available for inspection and purchase.’.

49 Amendment of s 99BC (Preparing final code)

Section 99BC, ‘distributor-retailers’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service providers’.

50 Amendment of s 99BD (Adopting code)

Section 99BD, from ‘by’—

omit, insert—

‘for each SEQ service provider by the following—

(a) for a distributor-retailer—its board;

(b) for a withdrawn council—a resolution.’.

51 Amendment of s 99BE (When code has effect)

Section 99BE(1), ‘distributor-retailers’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service providers’.

52 Amendment of s 99BF (Amendment of code)

Section 99BF(1), ‘distributor-retailers’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service providers’.

53 Amendment of s 99BG (Power of Minister to direct distributor-retailer to take action about code)

- (1) Section 99BG, heading, ‘distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘**SEQ service provider**’.

- (2) Section 99BG, ‘a distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘an SEQ service provider’.

- (3) Section 99BG(3)(b), ‘the distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘the SEQ service provider’.

54 Amendment of s 99BH (Power of Minister if distributor-retailer does not comply with direction)

- (1) Section 99BH, heading, ‘distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘**SEQ service provider**’.

- (2) Section 99BH(1), ‘a distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘an SEQ service provider’.

- (3) Section 99BH, ‘the distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘the SEQ service provider’.

55 Omission of ch 4A, pt 4 (Miscellaneous)

Chapter 4A, part 4—

omit.

56 Amendment of s 99BJ (Requirement for distributor-retailer to have plan)

(1) Section 99BJ, heading, ‘distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service provider’.

(2) Section 99BJ, ‘A distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘An SEQ service provider’.

57 Amendment of s 99BK (Plan to be consistent with SEQ regional plan and planning assumptions)

(1) Section 99BK, ‘A distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘An SEQ service provider’.

(2) Section 99BK(b)—

omit, insert—

‘(b) the planning assumptions for the following (the *relevant planning assumptions*) for the following area for the SEQ service provider (its *relevant area*)—

(i) for a distributor-retailer—its geographic area;

(ii) for a withdrawn council—its local government area;

(iii) for a corporate entity (service provider)—its establishing council’s local government area.’.

58 Amendment of s 99BL (Requirement for distributor-retailer to review plan)

- (1) Section 99BL, heading, ‘distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘**SEQ service provider**’.
- (2) Section 99BL(1)(a)(ii)—
omit, insert—
‘(ii) the relevant planning assumptions; and’.
- (3) Section 99BL, ‘a distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’.
- (4) Section 99BL(2), ‘a distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’s’.
- (5) Section 99BL, ‘the distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘the SEQ service provider’.
- (6) Section 99BL(3), ‘A distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘An SEQ service provider’.

59 Amendment of s 99BM (Purposes of plan)

- (1) Section 99BM, ‘a distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’s’.
- (2) Section 99BM, ‘the distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘the SEQ service provider’s’.

- (3) Section 99BM, ‘geographic area’—
omit, insert—
‘relevant area’.
- (4) Section 99BM(c), ‘distributor-retailers’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service providers’.

60 Amendment of s 99BO (Content of part A of plan)

- (1) Section 99BO(1), other than subsection (1)(a), ‘the distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘the SEQ service provider’s’.
- (2) Section 99BO(1), ‘a distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’s’.
- (3) Section 99BO(1)(a)—
omit, insert—
‘(a) state the relevant planning assumptions on which the plan is based; and’.
- (4) Section 99BO(1), ‘distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.
- (5) Section 99BO(1)(h)(i)—
omit, insert—
‘(i) the SEQ service provider’s relevant area; and’.
- (6) Section 99BO(2)—
omit, insert—

- ‘(2) The areas, mentioned in subsection (1)(c), into which infrastructure networks are to be extended must be consistent with the priority infrastructure areas of—
- (a) for a distributor-retailer—its participating local governments; or
 - (b) for a withdrawn council—its local government area; or
 - (c) for a corporate entity (service provider)—its establishing council.’.

61 Amendment of s 99BP (Content of part B of plan)

- (1) Section 99BP(1), ‘a distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’s’.
- (2) Section 99BP(1), ‘the distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘the SEQ service provider’s’.
- (3) Section 99BP(1), ‘distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.
- (4) Section 99BP(1)(a)(ii)—
omit, insert—
‘(ii) to provide new infrastructure to meet expected future development and growth in its relevant area, considering demand for the services based on low, medium and high population growth scenarios; and’.
- (5) Section 99BP(1)(d), ‘geographic area’—
omit, insert—
‘relevant area’.

62 Amendment of s 99BQ (Matters distributor-retailer must have regard to in making plan)

- (1) Section 99BQ, heading, ‘distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99BQ(1), other than subsection (1)(c), ‘the distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘the SEQ service provider’.
- (3) Section 99BQ(1), ‘a distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘an SEQ service provider’.
- (4) Section 99BQ(1)(c)—
omit, insert—
‘(c) the total water cycle management plan—
 - (i) for a distributor-retailer—of each of its participating local governments; or
 - (ii) for a withdrawn council—of the council; or
 - (iii) for a corporate entity (service provider)—of its establishing council;’.
- (5) Section 99BQ(1)(b), ‘distributor-retailer’s’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’s’.
- (6) Section 99BQ(2)—
omit, insert—
‘(2) In making its water netserv plan, a withdrawn council or corporate entity (service provider) must also have regard to efficient infrastructure investment and planning taking into account broader planning outcomes for the SEQ region.

‘(3) In this section—

total water cycle management plan, of a local government, means its total water cycle management plan under the water EPP’.

63 Amendment of s 99BR (Process for making or amending plan)

Section 99BR, ‘a distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘an SEQ service provider’.

64 Amendment of s 99BS (Content of regulation for making or amending plan)

(1) Section 99BS(1), other than subsection (1)(d), ‘distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service provider’.

(2) Section 99BS(1)(d)—

omit, insert—

‘(d) the proposed plan to be endorsed as follows—

- (i) for a distributor-retailer—by each participating local government for the distributor-retailer as being consistent with the planning assumptions for its local government area;
- (ii) for a withdrawn council—by the council as being consistent with the planning assumptions for its local government area;
- (iii) for a corporate entity (service provider)—by the entity’s establishing council as being consistent with the planning assumptions for its local government area;’.

(3) Section 99BS(2)(b), ‘distributor-retailer’s’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service provider’s’.

65 Replacement of ss 99BT and 99BU

Sections 99BT and 99BU—

omit, insert—

‘99BT Keeping particular documents available for inspection and purchase

- ‘(1) An SEQ service provider must keep available for inspection and purchase a copy of each of the following—
- (a) part A of the SEQ service provider’s water netserv plan;
 - (b) a map showing the limits of the SEQ service provider’s connection areas;
 - (c) the SEQ design and construction code;
 - (d) if the SEQ service provider is a distributor-retailer, the following—
 - (i) each annual capital works program prepared by the distributor-retailer under section 100B;
 - (ii) an infrastructure charges register that complies with section 99BU;
 - (iii) each infrastructure agreement to which the distributor-retailer is a party;
 - (iv) each approved inspection program.

Note—

For access to an SEQ service provider’s customer service charter, see section 99AEA.

- ‘(2) The documents mentioned in subsection (1)(a) and (c) must also be kept available on the SEQ service provider’s website.

‘99BU Requirements for infrastructure charges register

- ‘(1) For section 99BT(1)(d)(ii), the infrastructure charges register must include all charges for infrastructure levied by the distributor-retailer.
- ‘(2) For each of the charges, the register must include all of the following—
- (a) the real property description of land to which the charge applies;
 - (b) the schedule under which the charge was levied;
 - (c) the amount of the charge levied;
 - (d) the amount of the charge unpaid;
 - (e) any relevant number of units of demand charged for;
 - (f) if the charge was levied as a result of a development approval or compliance permit under the Planning Act—the approval or permit reference number and the day the approval or permit will lapse;
 - (g) if infrastructure was to be provided instead of paying the charge—details of any infrastructure still to be provided.
- ‘(3) Also, the register must include—
- (a) the charge rate, stated in the charges schedule, for each charge levied; and
 - (b) if the charge has been adjusted for inflation—details of how it was adjusted and the adjusted charge rate.’.

66 Amendment of s 99BV (Distributor-retailer may charge for copies of documents)

- (1) Section 99BV, heading, ‘Distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—
‘SEQ service provider’.
- (2) Section 99BV(1), ‘The distributor-retailer’—
omit, insert—

‘An SEQ service provider’.

- (3) Section 99BV(2), ‘distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service provider’.

67 Amendment of ch 5, pt 2 hdg (Participating local government price mitigation documents)

Chapter 5, part 2, heading, ‘Participating local’—

omit, insert—

‘**Local**’.

68 Amendment of s 99BW (Price mitigation plans)

- (1) Section 99BW(1), after ‘for a distributor-retailer’—

insert—

‘and each withdrawn council’.

- (2) Section 99BW(2), (4) and (6), ‘participating’—

omit.

- (3) Section 99BW(7), definition *relevant charges*, from ‘provided by’—

omit, insert—

‘provided—

- (a) for a participating local government for a distributor-retailer—by the distributor-retailer in the local government’s area; or

(b) either—

- (i) for a withdrawn council—by the council in its local government area; or

- (ii) for a corporate entity (service provider)—by the entity in its establishing council’s local government area.’.

69 Amendment of s 99BX (Final price paths)

(1) Section 99BX(1), after ‘distributor-retailer’—

insert—

‘and each withdrawn council’.

(2) Section 99BX(1)(a), ‘30 June 2019’—

omit, insert—

‘30 June 2018’.

(3) Section 99BX(5)—

omit, insert—

‘(5) The following must take all reasonable steps to ensure they implement the final price path—

(a) for a participating local government—the distributor-retailer;

Note—

See also section 49A(2)(a) (Individual directions).

(b) either—

(i) generally—a withdrawn council; or

(ii) if a withdrawn council is the establishing council for a corporate entity (service provider)—that entity.’.

70 Insertion of new s 99BZD

Chapter 5, part 4—

insert—

‘99BZD Compensation by local governments for particular matters

‘(1) This section applies if a participating local government (the *council*) of a distributor-retailer adopts, does or makes any of the following (the *triggering event*)—

(a) an individual direction;

- (b) a change, during the capped prices period, to a subsidy or rebate for users of water services or wastewater services;
 - (c) a final price path;
 - (d) an action or decision of a type prescribed under a regulation.
- ‘(2) The council has a liability to compensate (the *compensation liability*) the distributor-retailer and its other participating local governments (each a *claimant*) for any direct and reasonably anticipated financial detriment they will or may suffer because of the triggering event’s effects.
- ‘(3) However, the compensation liability does not apply for a type of detriment prescribed under a regulation.
- ‘(4) The council and each claimant must make reasonable endeavours to negotiate in good faith to reach an agreement about the amount, if any, of the compensation liability.
- ‘(5) However, the agreement can not do, or have the effect of—
- (a) changing participation rights without approval under section 29; or
 - (b) anything else prescribed under a regulation.
- ‘(6) A regulation may provide for all or any of the following about the compensation liability—
- (a) the period within which it can be claimed;
 - (b) how it may be claimed;
 - (c) how any amount for the liability may or must be paid;
 - (d) dispute resolution if it is not provided for under the distributor-retailer’s participation agreement.’.

71 **Amendment of s 100C (Commission may make guidelines)**

Section 100C, ‘distributor-retailers’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service providers’.

72 Amendment of s 100D (Application of Water Supply Act internal and external review provisions for decisions under Act)

Section 100D(4), definition *relevant chief executive*, paragraph (b), ‘distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service provider’.

73 Amendment of s 100DA (Requirement for distributor-retailer to give information)

- (1) Section 100DA, heading and subsections (2) and (3), ‘distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ service provider’.

- (2) Section 100DA(1), ‘a distributor-retailer require the distributor-retailer’—

omit, insert—

‘an SEQ service provider require the provider’.

- (3) Section 100DA(3), penalty, after ‘penalty’—

insert—

‘for subsection (3)’.

74 Amendment of s 100F (Application of Water Supply Act enforcement provisions for particular offences)

Section 100F(3)(a)—

omit, insert—

- ‘(a) for an offence against section 53DL—the SEQ service provider for whom the relevant discharge compliance notice was issued; or’.

75 Amendment of s 102 (Regulation-making power)

Section 102(2)—

insert—

- ‘(g) make provision for a withdrawn council as a service provider or for a corporate entity (service provider).’.

76 Insertion of new s 107A

Chapter 6, part 2—

insert—

‘107A Declaratory provision for s 83

- ‘(1) The Queensland Local Government Officers’ Award 1998 is declared to be, and to have always been, a prescribed industrial instrument.
- ‘(2) Subsection (1) applies even though the award does not of its own terms purport to apply to a distributor-retailer.
- ‘(3) It is declared that section 83 does not prevent, and never has prevented, the award or a section 83 instrument from—
- (a) applying to a transferred employee; and
 - (b) continuing to apply to a transferred employee after the transitional period under section 83 ends.
- ‘(4) In this section—

prescribed industrial instrument see section 83(5).

section 83 instrument means an industrial instrument mentioned in section 83(3)(a), including, for example, a prescribed industrial instrument.

transferred employee means an employee to whom section 83 applies.’.

77 Insertion of new ch 6, pt 6

Chapter 6—

insert—

**‘Part 6 Transitional provisions for
South-East Queensland Water
(Distribution and Retail
Restructuring) and Other
Legislation Amendment Act
2012**

‘119 What is a *transitional matter*

‘A *transitional matter* is any of the following—

- (a) the retransfer;
- (b) the cessation of Allconnex’s functions under this Act or its dissolution;
- (c) the service provider functions of a withdrawn council or a corporate entity (service provider);
- (d) anything necessary or desirable for a distributor-retailer other than Allconnex because of a matter mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c).

‘120 Price mitigation plans of withdrawn councils

‘The price mitigation plan of a participating local government of Allconnex becomes that local government’s price mitigation plan as a withdrawn council.

‘120A Authorised exchange of information

‘Section 92BS applies to a party to the retransfer exchanging information with another party under that section from the period starting at the beginning of 11 October 2011 and ending on the date of assent.

‘121 Customer water and wastewater code amendments for transitional matters

‘Section 97(2) does not apply for any amendment of the customer water and wastewater code the Minister considers is for a transitional matter.

‘121A Application of s 99ATA to withdrawn councils and Allconnex

- ‘(1) Despite section 99ATA(2), the details of the charges relating to a withdrawn council’s water services and wastewater services for the financial year starting on 1 July 2012 must be published on its website by 1 July 2012.
- ‘(2) To remove any doubt, it is declared that—
- (a) section 99ATA(1) and (2) does not apply to Allconnex for charges relating to the financial year starting on 1 July 2012; and
 - (b) section 99ATA(3) and (4) does not apply to Allconnex for proposed charges for the financial year starting on 1 July 2012.

‘122 Deferral of application of s 99AV

‘Section 99AV(1)(c), (d), (e), (i), (l) and (m) do not apply for a withdrawn council until—

- (a) 2 years after the day on which this section commences; or
- (b) if within the 2 years an earlier day is prescribed under a regulation—the earlier day.

‘123 Transitional regulation-making power

- ‘(1) A transitional regulation may provide for anything—
- (a) necessary to provide for, allow or facilitate a transitional matter; and

- (b) for which this Act does not provide for or sufficiently provide for.
- ‘(2) A transitional regulation may have retrospective operation to a day that is not earlier than the day on which this section commences.
- ‘(3) A transitional regulation must declare it is a transitional regulation.
- ‘(4) This section and any transitional regulation expire 1 year after the day on which this section commences.’.

78 Amendment of schedule (Dictionary)

- (1) Schedule, definitions *associated employee, available for inspection and purchase, bulk water component, capped charge, charged premises, distributor-retailer test, local government direction, participation agreement, planning assumptions, small business customer* and *variable measures*—

omit.

- (2) Schedule—

insert—

‘2011–12 Allconnex services see section 92DU.

2012–13 withdrawn council services see section 92DV(3).

Allconnex see section 92AB.

Allconnex infrastructure funding matter means an agreement, charge or condition imposed, levied or made by or for, or for the benefit of, Allconnex or its water infrastructure under the Planning Act, chapter 9, part 7A, division 5.

Allconnex planning matter see section 92BL(3).

Allconnex’s dissolution day see section 92EQ(2).

available for inspection, for a document of or held by an entity, means that the document, or a certified copy of it, is held in the entity’s public office in a way that anyone may

inspect it free of charge whenever the office is open for business.

available for inspection and purchase, for a document of or held by an entity, means that—

- (a) the document, or a certified copy of it, is available for inspection; and
- (b) a person may obtain—
 - (i) if the entity may lawfully copy the document—a copy of the document, or part of the document, from the entity; or
 - (ii) if the entity can not lawfully copy the document—information at the entity’s public office about how to obtain a copy of it.

bulk water component means the charge for bulk water services included in an SEQ service provider’s charge.

capped charge—

- (a) for the distributor-retailer capping provisions—see section 53ARB(1); or
- (b) for chapter 3A, part 7—see section 92DV(1).

CBA 2010 means the *City of Brisbane Act 2010*.

certification statement see section 92AY(2).

change, for a subsidy or rebate, includes—

- (a) a failure to renew it; or
- (b) a renewal of it without an adjustment equal to or greater than an adjustment for the CPI figure from the Capital Cities Comparison in the publication ‘Consumer Price Index, Australia’, Cat no. 6401.0, for Brisbane relating to the annual period from one March quarter to the next March quarter published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

charged premises—

- (a) for the distributor-retailer capping provisions—see section 53ARB(1); or
- (b) for chapter 3A, part 7—see section 92DV(1).

conditions, for a provision about an employee, means terms and conditions of the employee's employment.

corporate entity (service provider) means a corporate entity created under LGA 2009 by a withdrawn council to acquire and conduct its WSP business mentioned in section 92AJ.

councillor means a councillor of a local government under LGA 2009 or CBA 2010.

councillor-member see section 33(3).

designated industrial instrument, for chapter 3A, part 8, division 2, subdivision 3, see section 92EM.

distributor-retailer capping provisions means chapter 2A, part 3, division 1.

drinking water quality management plan see the Water Supply Act, schedule 3.

establishing council, for a provision about a corporate entity (service provider), means the withdrawn council that decided to create the entity.

EWO Act means the *Energy and Water Ombudsman Act 2006*.

existing conditions see section 92EL.

final price path means a final price path under section 99BX.

fixed access charge means a fixed access charge mentioned in section 99AV(2).

geographically-connected, for a provision about a withdrawn council and land, the performance of a function or another matter, means the withdrawn council in whose local government area the land is in, the function was performed or to which the matter relates.

group direction see section 49(1).

independent member see section 33(5).

individual direction see section 49A(2).

IR Act means the *Industrial Relations Act 1999*.

LGA 2009 means the *Local Government Act 2009*.

participation agreement—

- (a) generally, means a participation agreement made under section 20 or 23; or
- (b) for a provision about a distributor-retailer or a distributor-retailer's board, means the participation agreement between the distributor-retailer and its participating local governments.

parties, to the retransfer, see section 92AR(1).

party, for chapter 3A, part 4, division 4, subdivision 3, see section 92CE(3).

planning assumptions, for a relevant area of an SEQ service provider, means—

- (a) for a distributor-retailer—
 - (i) the assumptions about the type, scale, location and timing of future development and future growth (each a ***planning descriptor***) for any part of the area stated in the distributor-retailer's participating local governments' priority infrastructure plans; or
 - (ii) if the distributor-retailer, a participating local government and the Planning Minister agree that assumptions about a planning descriptor stated in a proposed priority infrastructure plan for the area are appropriate for preparing or reviewing a water netserv plan—the agreed assumptions; or
- (b) for a withdrawn council—
 - (i) the assumptions about the planning descriptors for any part of the area stated in the council's priority infrastructure plans; or
 - (ii) if the council and the Planning Minister agree that assumptions about a planning descriptor stated in a

proposed priority infrastructure plan for the area are appropriate for preparing or reviewing a water netserv plan—the agreed assumptions; or

- (c) for a corporate entity (service provider)—
 - (i) the assumptions about the planning descriptors for any part of the area stated in the entity’s establishing council’s priority infrastructure plans; or
 - (ii) if the entity’s establishing council and the Planning Minister agree that assumptions about a planning descriptor stated in a proposed priority infrastructure plan for the council are appropriate for preparing or reviewing a water netserv plan—the agreed assumptions.

priority infrastructure plan means a priority infrastructure plan under the Planning Act.

proceeding includes an arbitration or internal review application under the Water Supply Act.

proportional joint successor, for Allconnex, see section 92AD(3).

provider test see section 99AJ(1)(a).

relevant area, for an SEQ service provider, see section 99BK(b).

relevant council, for a proposed, existing or former councillor-member, is the participating local government of which the member is proposed to be, is or was a councillor.

relevant planning assumptions see section 99BK(b).

replacement, for a provision about a proceeding to which Allconnex is a party or that could have been started by Allconnex, means a withdrawn council that is to be Allconnex’s successor in law to or against the cause of action for the proceeding and is to become a party to the proceeding instead of Allconnex.

retransfer, from Allconnex to the withdrawn councils, see section 92AR(2).

retransfer direction see section 92BD(1).

retransfer document means the retransfer scheme, a retransfer notice or a retransfer direction.

retransfer notice see section 92BC(2).

retransfer period see section 92EL.

retransfer scheme see section 92AR(1).

retransfer staff support framework see section 92EC(1).

SEQ service provider means—

- (a) a distributor-retailer; and
- (b) either—
 - (i) generally—a withdrawn council; or
 - (ii) if a withdrawn council is the establishing council for a corporate entity (service provider)—that entity.

service provider functions, for a provision about a withdrawn council, means its functions under the Water Supply Act as a service provider and its functions under this Act as a withdrawn council.

small business customer, of an SEQ service provider for water services or wastewater services, means a customer (other than a residential customer) of the provider for the services if—

- (a) the customer uses or, if connected to the SEQ service provider's water service or wastewater service, would be likely to use no more than 100kL of drinking water a year; or
- (b) the customer is of a type of customer that ordinarily uses no more than 100kL of drinking water a year; or

- (c) the customer has given the SEQ service provider notice, and the provider is satisfied, that the customer is likely to use no more than 100kL of drinking water a year.

successor see section 92AD.

transitional matter, for chapter 6, part 6, see section 119.

variable measures, for relevant services or 2011–12 Allconnex services, includes a measure based on—

- (a) the amount of water supplied or wastewater discharged from the charged premises; or
- (b) the number of pedestals or urinals on the charged premises.

water EPP means the *Environmental Protection (Water) Policy 2009*.

withdrawal costs see section 92BW.

withdrawn council see section 92AC.’.

- (3) Schedule, definition *discharge offence*, paragraph (c), ‘a distributor-retailer’s’—

omit, insert—

‘an SEQ service provider’s’.

- (4) Schedule, definition *participating local governments*, ‘section 5’—

omit, insert—

‘section 5(1)’.

-
- (b) being disclosed by the ombudsman to a party or from a party to the ombudsman for a purpose mentioned in paragraph (a); or
 - (c) if a party is required to disclose the information under section 24(2) or 29, being disclosed to the ombudsman.
- ‘(2) In this section—
party means a party to the dispute referral.’.

82 Replacement of s 64A (Scheme participation—water entities)

Section 64A—

omit, insert—

‘64A Scheme participants—water entities

‘A water entity is, or becomes, a scheme participant on or from—

- (a) for a distributor-retailer—1 January 2011; or
- (b) for a withdrawn council—1 July 2012.’.

83 Amendment of s 67A (Amount of participation fee—water entity)

Section 67A(2)—

omit.

84 Insertion of new pt 12

After section 102—

insert—

- '(4) The successor is taken to be, and to have always been, the relevant entity for the referral.
- '(5) If the referral was made by Allconnex, the successor is taken to be the referrer.

'106 Disputes not referred before 1 July 2012

- '(1) This section applies for a dispute about the performance of Allconnex's water entity functions about which a dispute referral could have been, but has not been, made before 1 July 2012.
- '(2) Either party to the dispute may, on or from 1 July 2012, make a dispute referral for the dispute as if Allconnex's successor has performed the functions.
- '(3) Subsection (2) is subject to section 19A.
- '(4) If the referrer is a small customer (water) and the dispute referral names Allconnex as the relevant entity, Allconnex's successor is taken to have been named instead.

'107 Existing investigations

- '(1) An investigation or preliminary inquiry (a *procedure*) started under this Act before 1 July 2012 about Allconnex is taken to be a procedure of the same type about Allconnex's successor.
- '(2) The procedure is taken to be, and to have always been, about Allconnex's successor, and may be continued about the successor.
- '(3) Subsection (2) applies as if, at all relevant times, the successor had performed the water entity function the subject of the procedure.
- '(4) The successor is taken to be, and to have always been, the relevant entity for the procedure.

[s 84]

‘108 Existing information requirements

- ‘(1) This section applies to an information requirement made of Allconnex that has not been complied with before the end of 30 June 2012.
- ‘(2) On 1 July 2012, the information requirement is taken to have been made of Allconnex’s successor about the same matter.
- ‘(3) In this section—
information requirement means a requirement under section 29.

‘109 Existing orders, decisions, declarations and directions

- ‘(1) This section applies to an order, decision, declaration or direction (the *action*) under this Act about Allconnex.
- ‘(2) The action is taken to have been made about Allconnex’s successor on 1 July 2012.
- ‘(3) Subsection (2) does not prevent part 5, division 2 applying to the order.
- ‘(4) In this section—
about includes to and against.
order includes a judgment under section 42.

‘110 Amended budget for 2011–12 financial year

- ‘(1) The energy and water ombudsman may prepare an amended budget for the 2011–2012 financial year to take into account the withdrawn councils becoming scheme participants on 1 July 2012.
- ‘(2) An advisory council recommendation under section 74(6) is not required for approval of the amended budget.
- ‘(3) In this section—

2011–2012 financial year means the financial year beginning on 1 July 2011 and ending on 30 June 2012.

‘111 Withdrawn councils’ user-pays fees for 2012–13 financial year

- ‘(1) For section 68(1) and (4), a withdrawn council is taken to become a scheme participant when this section commences.
- ‘(2) For section 69—
 - (a) the amended budget under section 110 must be taken into account; and
 - (b) the forecasted costs of the withdrawn council as a scheme participant for the 2012–13 financial year are its share of Allconnex’s likely relevant performance costs under subsection (3).
- ‘(3) The share is the withdrawn council’s share of participation rights under its participation agreement with Allconnex under the *South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009* immediately before the retransfer under that Act.
- ‘(4) In this section—

2012–13 financial year means the financial year beginning on 1 July 2012 and ending on 30 June 2013.

‘112 References in Acts and other documents

- ‘(1) This section applies for references in an Act or other document from 1 July 2012.
- ‘(2) A reference to a water entity or scheme participant is taken to include a reference to a withdrawn council.
- ‘(3) A specific reference to Allconnex is taken to be a reference to Allconnex’s successor.’.

85 Amendment of schedule (Dictionary)

Schedule—

insert—

Allconnex, for part 12, see section 103.

distributor-retailer means a distributor-retailer under the *South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009*, section 8.

successor, for part 12, see section 103.

withdrawn council see section 7A(b).’.

**Part 4 Amendment of Plumbing and
Drainage Act 2002**

86 Act amended

This part amends the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002*.

**87 Amendment of s 84 (Regulated work or on-site sewerage
work by a public sector entity)**

Section 84(4) and (5)—

omit, insert—

- ‘(4) However, subsections (5) and (6) apply for the issuing by a public sector entity of a compliance permit or compliance certificate for a plan for SEQ water work.
- ‘(5) The entity can not issue the permit or certificate without the relevant service provider’s written consent.
- ‘(6) If the entity issues the permit or certificate, it must give a copy to—
 - (a) the local government; and

- (b) if the relevant service provider for the work is a distributor-retailer—the distributor-retailer.

Note—

For references to a relevant service provider until 1 July 2012, see section 188.’.

88 Amendment of s 85 (Process for assessing plans)

- (1) Section 85(2)(d), before examples—

omit, insert—

‘(d) if the request is about a plan for SEQ water work—accompanied by a document or information to show the work has been approved by or for the relevant service provider.’.

- (2) Section 85(7A), from ‘(7A)’ to ‘distributor-retailer; or’—

omit, insert—

‘(7A) A local government can not give a compliance permit for SEQ water work unless it is the relevant service provider for the work or 1 of the following applies—

- (a) the work has been approved by the distributor-retailer who is the relevant service provider for the work;’.

- (3) Section 85(7A)(b), ‘regulated work under the plan’—

omit, insert—

‘work’.

89 Amendment of s 86 (General process for assessing regulated work and on-site sewerage work)

- (1) Section 86(2)(d), from ‘connecting to’ to ‘water infrastructure’—

omit, insert—

‘SEQ water work’.

- (2) Section 86(2)(d)(i), before examples—

[s 90]

omit, insert—

‘(i) a document or information to show the work has been approved by or for the relevant service provider;’.

(3) Section 86(9A), from ‘(9A)’ to ‘distributor-retailer; or’—

omit, insert—

‘(9A) A local government can not give a compliance certificate for SEQ water work unless it is the relevant service provider for the work or 1 of the following applies—

(a) the work has been approved by the distributor-retailer who is the relevant service provider for the work;’.

(4) Section 86(9A)(b), ‘regulated’—

omit.

90 Amendment of s 87 (Minor work)

(1) Section 87(7), ‘distributor-retailer’s’—

omit, insert—

‘relevant service provider’s’.

(2) Section 87(8)—

omit, insert—

‘(8) If the local government is not the relevant service provider for the work, when the relevant entity or person gives the local government the notice the entity or person must also give the relevant service provider a copy of the notice.’.

(3) Section 87(9), definition *relevant distributor-retailer*—

omit.

91 Insertion of new pt 10, div 8

Part 10—

insert—

**‘Division 8 Transitional provision for
South-East Queensland Water
(Distribution and Retail
Restructuring) and Other
Legislation Amendment Act 2012**

**‘188 References to relevant service provider until 1 July
2012**

‘(1) Until 1 July 2012—

- (a) paragraph (a) of the definition *relevant service provider* in the schedule does not apply; and
- (b) SPOLA amended section 87 continues to apply instead of post-1 July 2012 section 87.

‘(2) In this section—

post-1 July 2012 section 87 means section 87 as amended under SEQ.

SEQ means the *South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2012*.

SPOLA means the *Sustainable Planning and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2012*.

SPOLA amended section 87 means section 87 as in force immediately before its amendment under SEQ, and if the amendments of section 87 under SPOLA commence before 1 July 2012, section 87 as amended under SPOLA.’.

92 Amendment of schedule (Dictionary)

Schedule—

insert—

‘*relevant service provider*, for SEQ water work, means—

- (a) if the work has been carried out, or is to be carried out, in the local government area, under the SEQ Water Act, of any of the following councils, that council—

‘Part 16 **Transitional provision for
South-East Queensland Water
(Distribution and Retail
Restructuring) and Other
Legislation Amendment Act
2012**

‘254 **Effect of regulation amendment**

‘The amendment of the *Queensland Competition Authority Regulation 2007* under the *South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2012* does not affect the Governor in Council’s power to further amend the regulation or to repeal it.’.

Part 6 **Amendment of Queensland
Competition Authority
Regulation 2007**

95 **Regulation amended**

This part amends the *Queensland Competition Authority Regulation 2007*.

96 **Amendment of s 2 (Definitions)**

Section 2, definition *Allconnex Water*—
omit.

[s 97]

97 Amendment of s 2A (Declaration of monopoly business activity—Act, s 20)

- (1) Section 2A(a)—
omit.
- (2) Section 2A—
insert—
'(ca) Gold Coast City Council;
(cb) Logan City Council;
(ea) Redland City Council;'.
(3) Section 2A(b) to (i)—
renumber as section 2A(a) to (k).

Part 7 Amendment of Water Act 2000

98 Act amended

This part amends the *Water Act 2000*.

99 Amendment of s 360ZCY (Content of market rules)

Section 360ZCY(1)(b)(ii), after 'grid customers'—
insert—
'or grid service providers'.

Note—

For withdrawn SEQ councils see the 2009 restructuring Act, section 99AT (Restricting water supply).’.

104 Amendment of sch 3 (Dictionary)

- (1) Schedule 3—

insert—

‘2009 restructuring Act means the *South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009*.

withdrawn SEQ council means the Gold Coast City Council, Logan City Council or Redland City Council.’.

- (2) Schedule 3, definition *customer*, paragraph 1(a), after ‘a local government’—

insert—

‘(other than a withdrawn SEQ council)’.

- (3) Schedule 3, definition *customer*, after ‘distributor-retailer’—

insert—

‘or withdrawn SEQ council’.

- (4) Schedule 3, definition *distributor-retailer*, from ‘*South-East*’ to ‘*2009*’—

omit, insert—

‘2009 restructuring Act’.

Part 9 Minor and consequential amendments

105 Acts amended

The schedule amends the Acts it mentions.

Schedule Acts amended

section 105

South-East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009

1 Section 13—

omit, insert—

‘13 Functions

‘A distributor-retailer may perform its functions inside or outside Queensland.’.

2 Section 53(11), definition *functions*—

omit.

3 Section 53ARC(1), definition *2010–11 BC*, paragraph (a), and section 53ARD(1), definition *2011–12 BC*, paragraph (a), ‘fixed access charges mentioned in section 99AV(2)’—

omit, insert—

‘fixed access charges’.

4 Section 53ARD(3)(a)—

omit, insert—

‘(a) *CPI* means the CPI figure from the Capital Cities Comparison in the publication ‘Consumer Price Index, Australia’, Cat no. 6401.0, for Brisbane relating to the annual period from one March quarter to the next March quarter published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics immediately before the start of the 2012–13 financial year; and’.

- 5 Section 54(1)(a)(ii), ‘the *Local Government Act 1993* or the *Local Government Act 2009*’—**
omit, insert—
‘LGA 2009 or CBA 2010’.
- 6 Sections 77E(5), 77K(6) and 100(2)(d), ‘and powers’—**
omit.
- 7 Section 99ATB(1)(a), ‘the *Local Government Act 2009*’—**
omit, insert—
‘LGA 2009’.
- 8 Section 99AX(4), ‘the *Local Government Act*’—**
omit, insert—
‘LGA 2009 or CBA 2010’.
- 9 Section 99AX(5), definition *Local Government Act*—**
omit.
- 10 Section 100A, ‘*Water Policy*’—**
omit, insert—
‘water EPP’.
- 11 Section 100A(6), definition ‘*Water Policy*’—**
omit.

Energy and Water Ombudsman Act 2006

1 Sections 97, 98(1) and schedule, definition *2010/2011 financial year*, '2010/2011'—

omit, insert—

'2010–2011'.

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