

# ***Mineral and Energy Resources (Common Provisions) Amendment Regulation 2023***

## **Human Rights Certificate**

### **Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the *Human Rights Act 2019***

In accordance with section 41 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, I, Scott Stewart MP, Minister for Resources provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Mineral and Energy Resources (Common Provisions) Amendment Regulation 2023* (the Amendment Regulation) made under the *Mineral and Energy Resources (Common Provisions) Act 2014*.

In my opinion, the Amendment Regulation, as tabled in the Legislative Assembly, is compatible with the human rights protected by the *Human Rights Act 2019*. I base my opinion on the reasons outlined in this statement.

## **Overview of the Subordinate Legislation**

The Amendment Regulation, which amends the *Mineral and Energy Resources (Common Provisions) Regulation 2016*, implements Action 23 of the Queensland Resources Industry Development Plan to publish and implement principles for coexistence in the Land Access Code. This approach seeks to support stronger relationships between industry and landholders, by ensuring both parties are aware of the government's expectations.

The Land Access Code states best practice guidelines for communication between resource authority holders and landholders. Amendments to the Land Access Code have been made to include new coexistence principles along with some minor editorial amendments. No changes to the mandatory conditions in the Land Access Code are being proposed.

## **Human Rights Issues**

### **Human rights relevant to the subordinate legislation (Part 2, Division 2 and 3 *Human Rights Act 2019*)**

The Amendment Regulation does not engage human rights as the amendments update the best practice guidelines and do not change the mandatory conditions contained in the Land Access Code.

## **Conclusion**

I consider that the *Mineral and Energy Resources (Common Provisions) Amendment Regulation 2023* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not limit human rights.

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