

### Queensland

# Petroleum Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2013

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Petroleum Act 1923 Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004

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#### Part 1 Preliminary

#### 1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Petroleum Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 1)* 2013.

#### 2 Commencement

- (1) This regulation, other than sections 26 and 27(2), commences on 22 November 2013.
- (2) Sections 26 and 27(2) commence on 1 July 2014.

# Part 2 Amendment of Petroleum Regulation 2004

#### 3 Regulation amended

This part amends the Petroleum Regulation 2004.

## 4 Replacement of ch 2, pt 1, div 1, sdiv 3, hdg (Conversion to water supply bore)

Chapter 2, part 1, division 1, subdivision 3, heading— *omit, insert*—

## Subdivision 3 Drilling, or converting well to, bore

#### 5 Amendment of s 8 (Notice of conversion [P&G, s 19])

- (1) Section 8, 'water supply'—

  omit.
- (2) Section 8(b)—

[s 6]

omit.

(3) Section 8(c)—

renumber as section 8(b).

#### 6 Insertion of new s 8A

Chapter 2, part 1, division 1, subdivision 3—

insert—

## 8A Prescribed information for notice about bore to Water Act regulator [P&G, s 19A]

- (1) For section 75XA(2) of the Act, the information prescribed about a bore is the information required to complete the drill log form for the bore.
- (2) In this section—

*drill log form* means the form of that name published by the department.

Editor's note—

At the commencement of this section, the drill log form was published on the department's website at <a href="http://mines.industry.qld.gov.au">http://mines.industry.qld.gov.au</a>.

#### 7 Replacement of ch 2, pt 1, div 2, sdiv 3 hdg (Well reports)

Chapter 2, part 1, division 2, subdivision 3, heading omit, insert—

#### Subdivision 3 Well and bore reports

#### 8 Amendment of s 22 (Well completion report [P&G, s 37])

(1) Section 22, heading, after 'Well'—

insert—

or bore

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(2) Section 22(1), (2), (3)(b) to (q) and (t) to (v), (6) and (7), after 'well'—

insert—

or bore

## 9 Amendment of s 23 (Well or bore abandonment report [P&G, s 38])

(1) Section 23(1)(a), after 'well'—

insert—

or bore

(2) Section 23(2)(b)—

omit, insert—

- (b) a summary and history of the well or bore, including a location map and the date on which a well or bore completion report for the well or bore was lodged;
- (3) Section 23(2)(f)(ii), after 'well'—

  insert—

  or bore

# 10 Amendment of s 35 (Confidentiality of required information for 1923 Act petroleum tenure holders [P&G, s 51])

(1) Section 35(2)(a), 'well completion report'—

omit, insert—

well or bore completion report

(2) Section 35(2)(a)(i), 'well or an exploration well'—

omit, insert—

well, exploration well or bore

#### 11 Insertion of new s 36A

Chapter 2, part 2—

insert—

## 36A Drilling, or converting well to, bore [P&G, s 59E]

- (1) The requirement mentioned in subsection (2) is prescribed for—
  - (a) section 75K(2) of the Act for drilling a bore; and
  - (b) section 75K(3) of the Act for drilling a water observation bore; and
  - (c) section 75L(1)(b) of the Act for converting a well to a bore.
- (2) The drilling or conversion must be carried out in accordance with the construction and abandonment code.
- (3) In this section—

construction and abandonment code means the document called 'Code of Practice for Constructing and Abandoning Coal Seam Gas Wells and Associated Bores in Queensland', Edition 2.0, dated October 2013 and published on the department's website.

#### 12 Amendment of sch 2 (Fees)

(1) Schedule 2, part 2, item 1, '75Q(2)(c)'—

omit, insert—

75Q(3)(b)

(2) Schedule 2, part 2, item 3, '75S(b)'—

omit, insert-

75S(1)(b)

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#### 13 Amendment of sch 4 (Dictionary)

(1) Schedule 4, definition *rig release day*, after 'well'— *insert*—

or bore

(2) Schedule 4, definition well completion report, after 'well'—
insert—

or bore

# Part 3 Amendment of Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Regulation 2004

#### 14 Regulation amended

This part amends the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Regulation 2004*.

15 Replacement of ch 2, pt 1, div 1, sdiv 4, hdg (Conversion to water supply bore)

Chapter 2, part 1, division 1, subdivision 4, heading— *omit, insert*—

## Subdivision 4 Drilling, or converting petroleum well to, bore

- 16 Amendment of s 19 (Notice of conversion)
  - (1) Section 19, 'water supply'—

    omit.
  - (2) Section 19(b)— *omit.*

[s 17]

(3) Section 19(c)—

renumber as section 19(b).

#### 17 Insertion of new s 19A

Chapter 2, part 1, division 1, subdivision 4—
insert—

## 19A Prescribed information for notice about bore to Water Act regulator

- (1) For section 543A(2) of the Act, the information prescribed about a bore is the information required to complete the drill log form for the bore.
- (2) In this section—

*drill log form* means the form of that name published by the department.

Editor's note—

At the commencement of this section, the drill log form was published on the department's website at <a href="http://mines.industry.qld.gov.au">http://mines.industry.qld.gov.au</a>.

#### 18 Replacement of ch 2, pt 1, div 2, sdiv 3 hdg (Well reports)

Chapter 2, part 1, division 2, subdivision 3, heading omit, insert—

#### Subdivision 3 Well and bore reports

#### 19 Amendment of s 37 (Well completion report)

(1) Section 37, heading, after 'Well'—

insert—

or bore

(2) Section 37(1), (2), (3)(b) to (q) and (t) to (v), (6) and (7), after 'well'—

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*insert*— or bore

#### 20 Amendment of s 38 (Well or bore abandonment report)

(1) Section 38(1)(a), after 'well'—

or bore

(2) Section 38(2)(b)—

insert—

omit, insert—

- (b) a summary and history of the well or bore, including a location map and the date on which a well or bore completion report for the well or bore was lodged;
- (3) Section 38(2)(f)(i), after 'well'—

  insert—

or bore

## 21 Amendment of s 51 (Confidentiality of required information for petroleum tenure holders)

(1) Section 51(2)(b), 'well completion report'—

omit, insert—

well or bore completion report

(2) Section 51(2)(b)(i), 'well or an exploration well'—

omit, insert—

well, exploration well or bore

22 Replacement of s 54AAA (Tenure holder to ensure compliance with construction and abandonment code)

Section 54AAA, not including note— *omit, insert*—

## 54AAA Tenure holder to ensure compliance with construction and abandonment code

- (1) The holder of a CSG tenure must ensure that each person carrying out a relevant activity on the land to which the tenure applies complies with the construction and abandonment code.
- (2) In this section—

#### relevant activity means—

- (a) any of the following activities—
  - (i) drilling a bore;
  - (ii) converting a petroleum well to a bore; or
- (b) an activity related to any of the following things;
  - (i) a prescribed well;
  - (ii) a proposed prescribed well;
  - (iii) an abandoned prescribed well.

## 23 Amendment of s 54AA (Operator to ensure drilling rig workers meet competency requirements)

(1) Section 54AA(1), from 'identified' to 'standard'—

omit, insert—

for drilling a prescribed well (the *well drilling competencies*) identified for the person's position under the drilling competency standard

(2) Section 54AA—

insert—

(1A) If the drilling operating plant is also used to drill a bore, the operator must also ensure each person working on a drilling rig that is drilling the bore meets the well drilling competencies for drilling the bore.

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(3) Section 54AA(2), from '(2) However' to 'competencies; and'—

omit, insert-

- (2) However, subsection (1) or (2) does not apply if the person is—
  - (a) undergoing training for the well drilling competencies; and
- (4) Section 54AA(2), note—

  omit.
- (5) Section 54AA(1A) to (3)—
  renumber as section 54AA(2) to (4).

## Amendment of s 57 (Additional downhole survey required if prescribed well intersects a coal seam)

(1) Section 57, heading, after 'well'—

insert—

#### or bore

- (2) Section 57(1), not including editor's note— *omit, insert*
  - (1) This section applies in relation to—
    - (a) a prescribed well that is a horizontal well; or
    - (b) another prescribed well, or a bore, that intersects a coal seam more than 1m in thickness.
- (3) Section 57(2), after 'well'—

  insert—

or bore

(4) Section 57(5), from 'For a well' to 'intersects'—

omit, insert—

For a well (other than a horizontal well), or a bore, that intersects

#### 25 Insertion of new s 59E

Chapter 2, part 3, division 2—
insert—

#### 59E Drilling, or converting petroleum well to, bore

- (1) The requirement mentioned in subsection (2) is prescribed for—
  - (a) section 282(2) of the Act for drilling a bore; and
  - (b) section 282(3) of the Act for drilling a water observation bore; and
  - (c) section 283(1)(b) of the Act for converting a petroleum well to a bore.
- (2) The drilling or conversion must be carried out in accordance with the construction and abandonment code.

## Amendment of s 92 (Requirements to be complied with before supplying fuel gas to a gas system)

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Section 92(2)(c), '(2010)'—

omit, insert—

(2013)
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## 27 Amendment of sch 1 (Mandatory and preferred standards for safety requirements)

(1) Schedule 1, part 1, column 1, entry for Construction and abandonment code, column 2, 'gas'—

omit, insert—

gas; drilling a bore; converting a petroleum well to a bore

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(2) Schedule 1, part 5, column 1, entry for AS/NZS 5601, column 1, '(2010)'—

omit, insert—

(2013).

## Amendment of sch 3 (Requirements for plugging and abandoning petroleum wells and bores)

Schedule 3, section 2(2), from 'must' to 'website'—

omit, insert—

or bore must be abandoned in accordance with the construction and abandonment code

#### 29 Amendment of sch 9 (Fees)

Schedule 9, part 3, item 3, '290(b)'— *omit, insert*—

290(1)(b)

#### 30 Amendment of sch 12 (Dictionary)

(1) Schedule 12, definition construction and abandonment code—

omit, insert—

construction and abandonment code means the document called 'Code of Practice for Constructing and Abandoning Coal Seam Gas Wells and Associated Bores in Queensland', Edition 2.0, dated October 2013 and published on the department's website.

(2) Schedule 12, definition *rig release day*, after 'well'— *insert*—

or bore

(3) Schedule 12, definition well completion report, after 'well'—

[s 30]

insert—

or bore

#### **ENDNOTES**

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 21 November 2013.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 22 November 2013.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of Natural Resources and Mines.

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