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Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

Proposed Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Regulations 2013

Notice is given that in accordance with section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**, a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared for the Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Regulations 2013 (proposed Regulations).

The proposed Regulations are to be made under the Electricity Safety Act 1998.

The primary objective of the proposed Regulations is to make provision for the preparation of bushfire mitigation plans by specified operators and major electricity companies and for the inspection of overhead electric lines and supply networks.

The RIS assesses the proposed Regulations as well as identified alternatives on the basis of ability to reduce bushfire risks, substantive compliance costs and administrative burdens.

The RIS concludes that the proposed Regulations are preferred to the alternatives and will deliver the greatest net benefits over the life of the proposed Regulations.

Copies of the RIS and the proposed Regulations may be obtained from Energy Safe Victoria at www.esv.vic.gov.au (under Legislation and Regulations) or by contacting Andrew Padanyi on 03 9203 9700.

Public comments are invited on the RIS and the accompanying regulations. All comments must be in writing and should be sent to Andrew Padanyi, Corporate Solicitor, Energy Safe Victoria, PO Box 262 Collins Street West, Victoria 8007, or emailed to apadanyi@esv.vic.gov.au no later than Wednesday 1 May 2013

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NICHOLAS KOTSIRAS MP Minister for Energy and Resources

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