

Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Measures No. 1) Regulations 2023

I, General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor‑General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 16 March 2023

David Hurley

Governor‑General

By His Excellency’s Command

Katy Gallagher

Minister for Finance

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Measures No. 1) Regulations 2023*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information | | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this instrument | The day after this instrument is registered. | 21 March 2023 |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Act 1997*.

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Regulations 1997

1 In the appropriate position in Part 4 of Schedule 1AB (table)

Insert:

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| 589 | Carbon Farming Outreach Program | To provide funding for the development and delivery of training, advice and tools to support farmers and land managers to engage in carbon markets and adopt low emission technologies and practices in the agriculture and land management sectors.  This objective has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures:  (a) to give effect to Australia’s obligations under one or more of the following:  (i) the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, particularly Article 10;  (ii) the Paris Agreement, particularly Article 4;  (iii) the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, particularly Article 4; or  (b) undertaken in the exercise of the executive power of the Commonwealth; or  (c) involving the granting of financial assistance to a State or Territory; or  (d) undertaken in, or in relation to, a Territory. |
| 590 | Delivering the Basin Plan Program | To fund the recovery of environmental water from the Murray‑Darling Basin water resources, including through the following mechanisms:  (a) the purchase of water access entitlements;  (b) the provision of grants to organisations to purchase land and water parcels.  This objective has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures:  (a) with respect to Indigenous Australians and particular groups of Indigenous Australians; or  (b) to give effect to Australia’s obligations under one or more of the international agreements referred to in the definition of ***relevant international agreement*** in subsection 4(1) of the *Water Act 2007*. |
| 591 | Energy efficiency grants for small and medium enterprises | To support small and medium‑sized enterprises to improve energy efficiency and reduce energy costs, including by upgrading or replacing equipment with new lower‑emissions technologies, as a measure to give effect to Australia’s obligations under one or more of the following:  (a) the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, particularly Articles 3 and 10;  (b) the Paris Agreement, particularly Article 4;  (c) the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, particularly Article 4. |
| 592 | Landcare Rangers Program | To:  (a) support the employment and upskilling of landcare rangers; and  (b) establish and support landcare facilitators;  to undertake activities directed towards protecting and restoring Australia’s environment and heritage.  This objective has the effect it would have if it were limited to measures:  (a) with respect to Indigenous Australians and particular groups of Indigenous Australians; or  (b) to give effect to Australia’s obligations under one or more of the following:  (i) the Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage, particularly Articles 4 and 5;  (ii) the Convention on Biological Diversity, particularly Articles 7, 8, 9, 10 and 13;  (iii) the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat, particularly Articles 3 and 4;  (iv) the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, particularly Articles 4 and 6; or  (c) involving the granting of financial assistance to a State or Territory; or  (d) undertaken in, or in relation to, a Territory. |