

STANDARD DRAFT ELECTRICITY BYLAWS REVISION 6

INFORMATION REGARDING THIS DRAFT (REVISION 6)

This revision contains the following changes:

- “SABS” has been amended to “SANS”
- Section 35 as redrafted by Cape Town has been added in addition to the previous section 35 as an alternative.
- Section 47 has a reference to clearance to overhead supply mains added.
- Chapter 10 – Repeal of By-laws and Schedule 1 has been added.

In revision 5 clause 20 – Resale of electricity - has been further amended following the receipt of legal opinion and subsequent discussions held between the NER, AMEU, Eskom and the Resellers Association on 4 June 2003.

The changes made are the deletion of references to the resellers being permitted to recover administration costs in addition to the cost of the electricity resold. The view of the legal adviser was that purchasers could be prejudiced by the inclusion of such references. Any additional costs not directly related to the consumption of electricity are to be recovered by the reseller/body corporate by way of levies/rentals. It was noted at the meeting that should a reseller make a loss from the resale of electricity it is very likely that the tariff structure is at fault and this issue should be addressed to Municipality concerned.

This clause must still be accepted by the work group formed by the NER to review this clause, and is included in this draft to keep all informed of the latest thinking regarding the resale of electricity.

This draft National Electricity Supply By-law is intended for use by Municipalities where the Electricity Service is provided by an internal Department within the Municipality's structure.

The previous drafts of the National Electricity Supply By-law defined Service Provider and Service Authority. In this draft these terms are not used and have been replaced by “Municipality”.

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