BUILDING NEAR POWERLINES DECLARATION

Date of application:

Information

A development application should be accompanied by this form to state whether the proposed development complies with the requirements for building safely near powerlines under the *Electricity Act 1996*.

Your obligations

It is an offence under Section 86 of the *Electricity Act 1996* to erect a building in proximity to a powerline contrary to the prescribed regulations.

Failure to identify and assess nearby electricity infrastructure can lead to costly rectification works that you will be liable for, and significant project delays, as well as serious ongoing safety risks that may trigger intervention by SafeWork SA, including the issuing of stop work notices or other enforcement actions.

More information, see Powerline clearance requirements and consequences of non-compliance and building safely near powerlines information.

Contact the Office of the Technical Regulator infrastructure team on 08 8226 5667 or otr.electricityinfrastructure@sa.gov.au for help to determine the regulation clearance required.

☐ **I have read the above and understand my obligations under the *Electricity Act 1996*.**

Location of proposed development (required)		
	Volume:	**Folio**:
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Nature of proposed development (required):

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I: declare that:

Select the most relevant option you are declaring.

Option 1 – Internal alteration or alteration to the walls of a building, or a change in the use of land only

☐ The application is for the internal alteration of a building, an alteration to the walls of a building but not to alter the shape of the building, or a change in the use of land only where no building work is proposed.

Option 2 – Fence or sign near above ground powerlines

☐ The application is for a fence, sign or notice that is less than 2.0 metres in height and is not designed for a person to stand on as defined under section 86 of the *Electricity Act 1996* and is near an above ground powerline.

Option 3 – Electricity infrastructure

☐ The application is for electricity infrastructure or the housing of electricity infrastructure as defined under the *Electricity Act 1996*.

Under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017* Schedule 8 a declaration is not required.

Option 4 – Meets minimum safety clearance distances from powerlines

☐ The submitted plans will comply with the minimum safety clearance distances from powerlines under the *Electricity (General) Regulations 2012*.

NOTE: Compliance with electrical clearance requirements must be achieved not only for the finished building, but also throughout construction and future maintenance activities. Temporary works such as scaffolding are subject to the same legislated clearance distances as permanent structures, and people and machinery must be able to maintain safe approach distances at all times.

For more information, see SA.GOV.AU - Building safely near powerlines and SA.GOV.AU - Working safely near overhead powerlines.

Option 5 – Does not meet minimum safety clearance distances from powerlines

☐ The submitted plans do not comply with the minimum safety clearance distances from powerlines under the *Electricity (General) Regulations 2012*.

This option may require a referral to the Office of the Technical Regulator by the relevant authority and is subject to fees.

Do you have a pre-lodgement agreement from the Office of the Technical Regulator?

☐ **Yes** – attach the Technical Regulator Approval ☐ **No**

Option 6 – Unsure of powerline location (above ground and/or underground)

☐ No declaration supplied with this application.

Select this option if:

- you are unsure of the powerline location, i.e. above ground or underground, or
- you are unsure of the powerline voltage, or
- you are unsure of the required powerline clearance distance that applies to your application.

This option may require a referral to the Office of the Technical Regulator and is subject to fees.

Signed: Date:

☐ *If being lodged electronically, please tick to indicate agreement to this declaration.*