

# BUILDING SAFELY NEAR POWERLINES



## Declaration

I,

- the applicant or
- the person acting on behalf of the applicant

for the development described above declare that the proposed development will involve the construction of a building which would, if constructed in accordance with the plans submitted, not be contrary to the regulations prescribed for the purposes of section 86 of the Electricity Act 1996 .

I make this declaration under clause 2A (1) of Schedule 5 of the Development Regulations 2008.

I declare the information that I have provided on this application form is correct to the best of my knowledge and I authorise Council to contact any parties cited on this document relating to matters specific to this declaration for further information.

Signed:

Date:

### Note 1

This declaration is only relevant to those development applications seeking authorisation for a form of development that involves the construction of a building (there is a definition of 'building' contained in section 4(1) of the Development Act 2008), other than where the development is limited to

- a) an internal alteration of a building; or
- b) an alteration to the walls of a building but not so as to alter the shape of the building.

### Note 2

The requirements of section 86 of the Electricity Act 1996 do not apply in relation to:

- a) an aerial line and a fence, sign or notice that is less than 2.0 m in height and is not designed for a person to stand on; or
- b) a service line installed specifically to supply electricity to the building or structure by the operator of the transmission or distribution network from which the electricity is being supplied.

### Note 3

Section 86 of the Electricity Act 1996 refers to the erection of buildings in proximity to powerlines. The regulations under this Act prescribe minimum safe clearance distances that must be complied with.

### Note 4

The majority of applications will not have any powerline issues, as normal residential setbacks often cause the building to comply with the prescribed powerline clearance distances. Buildings/renovations located far away from powerlines, for example towards the back of properties, will usually also comply.

Particular care needs to be taken where high voltage powerlines exist; or where the development:

- is on a major road;
- commercial/industrial in nature; or
- built to the property boundary.

### Note 5

An information brochure: 'Building safely near powerlines' has been prepared by the Technical Regulator to assist applicants and other interested persons. This brochure is available from council and the Office of the Technical Regulator. The brochure and other relevant information can also be found at [https://www.sa.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0003/18606/150513-Building-safely-near-powerlines-web.pdf](https://www.sa.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/18606/150513-Building-safely-near-powerlines-web.pdf)

### Note 6

In cases where applicants have obtained a written approval from the Technical Regulator to build the development specified above in its current form within the prescribed clearance distances, the applicant is able to sign the form.