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No. 154

An Act to amend *The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Act*

(Assented to _____)

HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

Short title

1 This Act may be cited as *The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Amendment Act, 2023*.

SS 2010, c M-2.01 amended

2 *The Management and Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Act* is amended in the manner set forth in this Act.

Section 23.3 amended

3 Section 23.3 is amended:

(a) in clause (a) by adding “, except those payments made to fulfil a compliance obligation or to satisfy a debt associated with a compliance obligation with respect to an electricity facility incurred in 2023 or a subsequent year” **after “rate”; and**

(b) in clause (b) by adding “, except those administrative penalties assessed with respect to an electricity facility for the 2023, or a subsequent, compliance year” **after “section 78”.**

New Part VI.2

4 The following Part is added after Part VI.1:

“PART VI.2 Electricity Facilities

“Clean electricity

23.6(1) In this section and in section 23.3:

‘clean electricity’ means, subject to the regulations, electricity that, when added to Saskatchewan’s power grid, reduces the average greenhouse gas emissions per megawatt hour of electricity from Saskatchewan’s power grid;

‘compliance year’ means a compliance year as defined in the regulations;

‘electricity facility’ means an electricity facility as defined in the regulations, but does not include a unit or group of units within the boundary of an industrial facility that are considered an electricity facility by the minister in accordance with the regulations;

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‘industrial facility’ means an industrial facility as defined in the regulations;

‘unit’ means a unit as defined in the regulations.

(2) Moneys collected by the minister from the following, with respect to an electricity facility, are public moneys within the meaning of *The Financial Administration Act, 1993*:

(a) payments made pursuant to this Act to fulfil a compliance obligation or to satisfy a debt associated with a compliance obligation incurred in 2023 or a subsequent year, including interest payments at the prescribed rate;

(b) administrative penalties assessed pursuant to section 78 with respect to the 2023, or a subsequent, compliance year.

(3) Subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, the minister may make payments to any person, agency, board, commission, organization, association, institution or body:

(a) for the purposes of supporting the transition to clean electricity; or

(b) for any other purpose the Lieutenant Governor in Council may direct”.

Section 75 amended

5(1) Clause 75(4)(e) is amended in the portion preceding subclause (i) by adding “pursuant to section 23.3 or the minister pursuant to subsection 23.6(2), as the case may be” after “technology fund”.

(2) Subsection 75(6) is amended:

(a) in the portion preceding clause (a) by striking out “to the technology fund”; and

(b) in clause (b) by striking out “to the technology fund”.

Section 78 amended

6 Subsection 78(11) is repealed.

Section 84 amended

7 Subclause 84(1)(bb)(viii) is amended by adding “pursuant to section 23.3 or the minister pursuant to subsection 23.6(2), as the case may be” after “technology fund”.

Coming into force

8 This Act comes into force on assent, but is retroactive and is deemed to have been in force on and from January 1, 2023.

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Received and read the

First time

Second time

Third time

And passed

Honourable Christine Tell
