Background

The Electricity Safety Act 1998 (as reprinted in August 2008) is intended to make further provision relating to the safety of electricity supply and use and the efficiency of electrical equipment.

One of the areas covered by this Act is to define who has the authority to install electrical lines on public land.

VicRoads Authority to Install Electric Lines on Public Land

Part 3 – Electrical Work, Division 4 – Installation of electric lines on public land, Rule 46 Regulation of Installation states:

(1) A person must not install, or cause to be installed, an electric line on public land unless -

(a) the electric line is installed by or on behalf of – ……….

(iv) the Roads Corporation, for the purposes of its functions or powers under any Act: ……..

This clause provides the Roads Corporation, trading as VicRoads, to install electric lines on public land whenever undertaking VicRoads approved works.

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