Waste Minimisation (Landfill Fees) Determination 2009 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2009-85

Made under the

Waste Minimisation Act 2001, Section 45 - Determination of Fees

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 45 of the *Waste Minimisation Act 2001* (the Act) allows for the responsible Minister to determine waste fees for the ACT.

This determination revokes the previous fee determination (DI 2008 - 111) that set fees for the 2008-2009 financial year and establishes new fees from 1 July 2009.

Some household waste receiving fees (items 1.3 - 1.5 and 5.1 - 5.3 in the schedule to the determination) have been increased beyond the WPI estimate. These fees were last increased in 2004-05. The fees had remained static to maintain whole dollar fees for ease of cash transactions at receiving centres. This year's increase effectively incorporates several years' fee increases, but preserves whole dollars for ease of cash transactions

A new fee (item 1.7 in the schedule to the determination) has been introduced for receiving tyres with rims at Territory waste facilities. This is to cover the additional costs involved in removing the rims from tyres before they can be recycled.

The special waste fees (part 3 of the schedule to the determination) have not been increased as they are already sufficiently high enough to cover the cost of providing the services described.

The remaining fees in the determination have been increased in accordance with the Wage Price Index (WPI) estimate for 2009-10 of 3.5%, consistent with the Government's announcement, made as part of the 2006-07 ACT Budget, on the indexing of government fees and charges. The increased fees are rounded down to the nearest 5 cents.

The determination takes effect on from 1 July 2009.