

Water Resources (Fees) Determination 2005 (No 2)

Disallowable Instrument DI2005—184

made under the

Water Resources Act 1998, Section 78 - Determination of Fees

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The *Water Resources Act 1998* is an Act to provide for the management of the water resources of the Territory, and for related purposes.

Section 78 of the Act provides the Minister with the power to determine fees.

The purpose of this determination is to revoke Disallowable Instrument DI 2005–58 that set fees for the 2004-2005 financial year and to determine fees for the 2005-2006 financial year.

With the exception of four matters, all proposed fees under the *Water Resources Act 1998* are a Consumer Price Index adjustment of 2.5 % for pre-existing fees. The unaltered fees reflect a decision by the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission on water abstraction fees to reflect scarcity value, and the Minister's 2004 determination that substantially increases the administration fee for a licence to take water in the lower volume categories.

The fees take effect the day after notification of the determination.

The determination under section 78 of the Act is a disallowable instrument.