Waste Minimisation (Fees) Determination 2010 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2010—118

made under the

Waste Minimisation Act 2001, section 45 - Determination of fees

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 45 of the *Waste Minimisation Act 2001* permits the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

This determination revokes two previous fee determinations DI2009—85 (the previous landfill fee determination) and DI2009—207 (the previous West Belconnen borrow pit remediation fee determination) that had set fees for the 2009-2010 financial year. It folds the matters dealt with in those determinations into a single instrument and establishes fees from 1 July 2010.

The determination increases most fees in accordance with the Wage Price Index estimate for 2010-11 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 fee is rounded down to the nearest 5 cents. A number of fees were not increased. Fees for the depositing of household waste (low to moderate volume) together with their equivalent fees in the event of weighbridge failure have not increased; nor have the West Belconnen borrow pit remediation fees. Fees relating to the dumping of tyres and mattresses have been removed as these items are not accepted at landfill (they are recycled instead).

Under the previous landfill fee determination, industrial and commercial waste was dealt with in part 2 of that determination's schedule and other waste was dealt with in part 4. Both sets of fees were the same. Therefore in this determination, those matters have been dealt with in a single set of fees – see part 2 of the determination's schedule.

Under the previous West Belconnen borrow pit remediation fee determination, the definition of "contaminated remediation material" was restricted to material contaminated with asbestos. It does not reflect the full range of remediation material that can be accepted at West Belconnen site with approval of the Environment Protection Authority. The definition in section 8 of the instrument has been expanded to reflect the full range of acceptable remediation material. The fee for acceptance of beneficial re-use remediation material at the West Belconnen borrow pit has been reduced from \$33.00 a tonne to \$15.00 a tonne.

The determination takes effect on 1 July 2010.