Utilities (Non-drinking Water Supply Code) Determination 2014

Disallowable instrument DI2014–293

made under the

Utilities Act 2000, section 65 (application of industry code provisions)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Purpose of the Code

The Non-drinking Water Supply Code (this Code) sets out minimum requirements for utilities supplying non-drinking water to customers under customer contracts.

Legislative Provisions

This Code is a technical code under part 5 of the *Utilities Act 2000* (the Act). The Act provides a regulatory framework for utility licence holders. Under section 65 of the Act, provisions for making technical codes apply provisions for making industry codes in part 4 of the Act with variations.

Determination

This Disallowable Instrument determines the Utilities (Non-drinking Water Supply Code) Determination 2014.

Outline

This Code applies to utilities that own or operate non-drinking water networks for non-drinking water supply. It requires non-drinking water utilities to create customer contracts in compliance with technical requirements of this Code. If a utility has commenced the supply of non-drinking water to a customer before the commencement of this Code, the utility may supply non-drinking water without a customer contract for 12 months from the commencement date of this Code. This Code also clarifies relevant technical standards for non-drinking water networks and specifies the existing technical codes that apply to the non-drinking water utilities.

A person who supplies or intends to supply non-drinking water without a customer contract is required to comply with technical codes applicable to drinking water supply.

Consultation

The Minister held consultations with ICRC and the utilities in accordance with section 65 of the Act. Comments by ICRC and the utilities were discussed and incorporated to this Code.