Housing Assistance Public Rental Housing Assistance Program (Review of entitlement to housing assistance) Determination 2013 (No 1)

Notifiable Instrument NI2013 - 533

made under the

Housing Assistance Act 2007 (the Act) s 20 (1) Approved housing assistance programs—determinations

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the Housing Assistance Public Rental Housing Assistance Program (Review of entitlement to housing assistance) Determination 2013 (No 1).

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after notification.

3 Determination

In accordance with clauses 29A and 29B of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program 2013, I determine that the Commissioner for Social Housing may decide that a tenant is no longer entitled to receive rental housing assistance where the household income of the tenant or tenant and domestic partner as applicable (the entities) is greater than \$94,855.70 in each of the two consecutive financial years considered in the review context.

In addition to the above income threshold, the Commissioner may also take the following matters into account in assessing the ongoing entitlement of a tenant to receive rental housing assistance;

- with respect to the dwelling occupied, whether the tenant is entitled to receive, or continues to be entitled to receive, assistance by way of a rent rebate;
- the combined value of the assets of the entities;

- whether either entity has an interest in residential real property in Australia;
- whether their current financial situation is likely to be reasonably sustainable for the foreseeable future having regard to matters such as age; general health; disability; family/carer responsibilities; employment and social factors;
- whether the size, location and amenity of the dwelling they occupy is consistent with the needs of their current household; and
- their capacity to obtain appropriate; affordable and suitable alternative housing.

Dated this 22 day of November 2013

Natalie Howson Commissioner for Social Housing