AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT 1989

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY MANUAL HANDLING STANDARD AND CODE OF PRACTICE (SECOND EDITION)

NO1640F 1992

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Under section 87(1)(b) of the A.C.T. *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989*, the Minister may vary an approved code of practice for the purpose of providing practical guidance to employers, self-employed persons and employees.

This instrument is written pursuant to section 87 of the *Act* and addresses the fact that the first edition of the A.C.T. Manual Handling Standard and Code of Practice, although satisfactory in terms of text, is deficient in terms of several illustrative diagrams. The second edition resolves these deficiencies.

The instrument has gone through the process of discussion and approval by the tripartite A.C.T. Occupational Health and Safety Council in accordance with section 87(2) of the *Act*.

The instrument establishes practical textual and diagrammatical guidance to those involved in manual handling in the A.C.T. as to safe work practices and procedures.

Approved by Wayne Bruce Berry Deputy Chief Minister on Behalf of the

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November 1992.