Australian Capital Territory

## Clinical Waste (Fees) Determination 2007 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI 2007 - 139

made under the

Clinical Waste Act 1990, Section 40 - Determination of Fees

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Section 40 of the *Clinical Waste Act 1990* provides the Minister with the power to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

This determination revokes the previous fee determination (DI 1997 - 103) that had set the annual registration fee for persons or organisations carrying on the business of transporting clinical waste since 1997 and establishes a new fee structure from 1 July 2007.

The new annual fee for registration is calculated by reference to the number of vehicles that are used, or will be used, by a business that transports clinical waste, with the minimum fee covering the first three vehicles of the business. The fee is only calculated on the number of vehicles used by the business for transporting clinical waste and not for other vehicles used by the business for other unrelated purposes.

The rationale for calculating the fee on a "per vehicle" basis is that each vehicle used for the transportation of clinical waste is inspected prior to registration of the business under the Act. Businesses with a greater number of vehicles would pay a proportionally higher fee, while smaller businesses with fewer vehicles would pay a proportionally smaller fee. The new fee structure does not result in a significant increase in fees payable by current licensees.

The new fee determination takes effect on from 1 July 2007.