

Australian Capital Territory

Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission (Inquiry into Secondary Water Use) Terms of Reference

Disallowable instrument DI2011–255

made under the

***Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission Act 1997, Section 15
(Nature of industry references) and Section 16 (Terms of industry references).***

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The purpose of this instrument is to refer to the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission (the Commission) the task of undertaking an inquiry into and assessment of secondary water uses in the ACT.

This investigation is a result of a Notice of Motion agreed in the Legislative Assembly in May 2011 that requested the ACT Government commission a review into secondary water uses in the ACT.

In particular, the Commission is required to report on the opportunities for a commercial market in grey water and the ACT Government's urban waterways and stormwater harvesting programs. The Commission must consider the economic, environmental and social costs and benefits of these projects and any other water conservation initiatives.

The Commission is required to provide its final report by the end of June 2012.