Australian Capital Territory

Radiation Protection (Council Member, Chair and Deputy Chair) Appointment 2018 (No 1)

**Disallowable instrument DI2018–250**

made under the

***Radiation Protection Act 2006*, s 68 (Council members) s 70 (Chair and Deputy Chair)**

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The Radiation Council was established under section 65 of the *Radiation Protection Act 2006* (the Act) and is responsible for licensing, registering regulated radiation sources, advising the minister and exercising any other function given to it under the Act or another territory law.

Section 68 of the Act provides the Minister with the power to appoint members to the Radiation Council. The Minister has appointed Ms Fiona Jolly, Ms Elizabeth Croft, Dr Stephen Tims, Dr Jayanti Gupta, Mr Brad Whittaker and Dr Frederick Lomas as members of the Radiation Council. All council members are appointed to the Radiation Council for three years.

In accordance with subsection 68(2) of the Act, the Radiation Council must include a member of the public, a radiologist, an expert person who has knowledge of the physical properties and or biological effects of radiation and other persons with relevant qualifications and experience to assist the Radiation Council to carry out its functions. The appointed members have been selected because they have the required expertise and qualifications to satisfy these requirements.

Section 70 of the Act provides the Minister with the power to appoint a council member as the chair and another council member as deputy chair. Under section 70 of the Act, the Minister has appointed Ms Elizabeth Croft as the Chair of the Radiation Council and Ms Fiona Jolly as the Deputy Chair of the Radiation Council.