

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT 1989

**NATIONAL STANDARD FOR OCCUPATIONAL NOISE [NOHSC:1007(1993)]
AND NATIONAL CODE OF PRACTICE FOR NOISE MANAGEMENT AND
PROTECTION OF HEARING AT WORK [NOHSC:2009(1993)]**

NO 17 OF 1994

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 87(1) of the ACT *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* provides that the Minister can approve codes 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.

The National Standard for Occupational Noise and National Code of Practice for Noise Management and Protection of Hearing at Work have been referred to the ACT Occupational Health and Safety Council in accordance with Section 87(2) of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989*. The ACT Occupational Health and Safety Council has recommended the adoption of the Standard and Code of Practice.

The National Standard for Occupational Noise and the National Code of Practice for Noise Management and Protection of Hearing at Work provide a standard for exposure to occupational noise and detail a system of guidance to prevent the occurrence and/or reduce the severity of noise induced hearing loss in the workplace.

The Code of Practice addresses general principles of noise control, noise control planning, engineering noise control measures, administrative noise control measures, personal hearing protection, training and education, noise assessments and audiometric testing. Guidance material for manufacturers, importers and suppliers on the presentation of information about noise levels generated by plant is included in the Code of Practice.

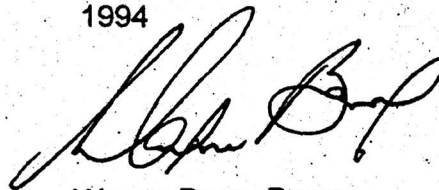
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Wayne Bruce Berry
Deputy Chief Minister
On behalf of the
Chief Minister