

# **Grains Research and Development Corporation Regulations (Amendment) 1992 No. 310**

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

### **STATUTORY RULES 1992 No. 310**

Issued by the Authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and Energy

Primary Industries and Energy Research and Development Act 1989

Grains Research and Development Corporation Regulations (Amendment)

Subsection 149(1) of the Primary Industries and Energy Research and Development Act 1989 (the Act) provides that the Governor General may make regulations for the purpose of the Act.

The Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC) was established on 1 October 1990 by regulation under section 8 of the Act.

Regulation 5 of the GRDC Regulations attaches various grain levies to the GRDC for the purposes of subsection 5(1) of the Act. Subregulation 5(2) of the GRDC Regulations provides that for the purposes of subsection 5(3) of the Act the whole of each of these levies is to be the research component.

Once a levy is attached to a Research and Development Corporation, levies collected are paid to the Corporation under section 30 of the Act. These levies, together with matching Government contributions, provide funding for the Corporation's activities.

The Barley Research Levy Act 1980 and the Triticale Levy Act 1988 impose research levies on barley and triticale which are attached to the GRDC. These Acts will be repealed on 1 October 1992.

Section 9 of the Coarse Grains Levy Act 1992, which commences on 1 October 1992, imposes a levy on leviable coarse grain delivered by the producer to another person other than for storage on behalf of the producer or leviable coarse grain processed by the producer. This Act incorporates the existing barley and triticale research levies and provides for new levies on oats and cereal rye.

The proposed amendment to Regulation 5 of the GRDC Regulations will attach not only the new levies for oats and cereal rye but also continue the attachment of the existing barley and triticale levies together with those relating to grain legumes, oilseeds and wheat.

Details of the proposed regulations are as follows:

Regulation 1 provides that the Regulations shall commence on 1 October 1992.

Regulation 2 identifies the GRDC Regulations as the Regulations to be amended.

Regulation 3 defines "coarse grain" and also includes it within the definition of "grains".

Subregulation 4.1 provides for the levy imposed by section 9 of the Coarse Grains Levy Act 1992 to be attached to the GRDC.

Subregulation 4.2 provides that the whole of this levy is the research component.