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Part 1—Preliminary

1.1 Citation

This determination may be cited as the *Telecommunications (Low‑impact Facilities) Determination 1997*.

1.2 Commencement

This determination commences on 1 July 1997.

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| Background to determination  Part 1 of Schedule 3 to the *Telecommunications Act 1997* authorises a carrier to enter on land and install a facility if the facility is a low-impact facility.  Under subclause 6 (3) of Part 1, the Minister may, by written instrument, determine that a specified facility is a low-impact facility.  Under subclauses 6 (4), (5) and (7), certain facilities cannot be low‑impact facilities:   1. designated overhead lines 2. a tower that is not attached to a building 3. a tower attached to a building and more than 5 metres high 4. an extension to a tower that has previously been extended 5. an extension to a tower, if the extension is more than 5 metres high.   A facility cannot be a low-impact facility unless it is specified in this determination. Therefore, new mobile telecommunications towers are not low-impact facilities.  Also, a facility will be a low-impact facility only if it is installed in particular areas identified in this determination. The areas have an order of importance, based on zoning under State or Territory laws, so that any area only has its “highest” possible zoning. The order of priority is:   1. area of environmental significance 2. residential areas 3. commercial areas 4. industrial areas 5. rural areas.   One effect of this determination is that a facility in an area of environmental significance cannot be a low-impact facility.  Rules for the installation and maintenance of a low-impact facility can be found in Schedule 3 to the Telecommunications Act and the Telecommunications Code of Practice 1997. |

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| Simplified outline of determination  The determination has 3 Parts.  Part 2 identifies areas in which a facility may be installed, by reference to zoning arrangements under State and Territory planning laws.  Part 3 and the Schedule identify the low-impact facilities.  Definitions for words and expressions used in this determination are to be found in section 1.3. |

1.3 Definitions

In this determination:

***Aboriginal person*** has the same meaning as in Schedule 3 to the Act.

***access terminal*** means a connector device that allows a line link to be connected to a drop cable.

***Act*** means the *Telecommunications Act 1997*.

***amplifier*** means an enclosure (and any associated devices) which is used to amplify a signal along a telecommunications cable (whether such a cable is deployed overhead or underground).

***area of environmental significance*** has the meaning given by section 2.5.

***co‑located facilities*** means one or more facilities installed on or within:

(a) an original facility; or

(b) a public utility structure.

***co‑location volume*** means the volume of materials that constitute:

(a) co‑located facilities; or

(b) an original facility; or

(c) a public utility structure;

where the materials are visible from a point outside the co‑located facilities, original facility, or public utility structure.

***commercial area*** has the meaning given by section 2.1.

***drop cable*** means a cable (whether deployed overhead or underground) from an access terminal, optical node or splice enclosure to any of the following:

(a) a premises connection device;

(b) a network termination device; or

(c) a point of connection situated at an end user’s premises.

***emergency***, for the installation of a facility, means circumstances in which the facility must be installed without delay to protect:

(a) the integrity of a telecommunications network or a facility; or

(b) the health or safety of persons; or

(c) the environment; or

(d) property; or

(e) the maintenance of an adequate level of service.

***emergency services organisation*** has the same meaning as in subsection 265 (11) of the Act.

Note: At the commencement of this determination, the emergency service organisations were:

* a police force or service
* a fire service
* an ambulance service
* a service specified in the numbering plan (see Act, s 455) as an emergency services organisation
* a service for despatching the force or service.

***external building connection equipment*** means a facility which is:

(a) installed or attached to a multi-unit building; and

(b) used (or intended to be used at some future time) in the supply of carriage services to end users that are, or are to be, located in any of the following:

(i) the building to which the facility is installed or attached; or

(ii) nearby any related buildings.

***in‑building network equipment*** means equipment installed within a building for purposes other than directly supplying carriage services to end users.

***in‑building subscriber connection equipmen***t means a facility installed within a building:

(a) with the aim of managing and maintaining the supply of carriage services to a customer of a carrier; or

(b) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications on a wholesale‑only and non‑discriminatory access basis, where the facility is to be used (or intended to be used at some future time) by end users of carriage services delivered by such a network. For the avoidance of doubt, the end users are to be located in the building in which the facility is installed.

***industrial area*** has the meaning given by section 2.2.

***installation***, for a facility, has the same meaning as in Part 1 of Schedule 3 to the Act.

Note: Installation includes:

* construction of the facility
* attachment of the facility to a building or other structure
* any activity ancillary to installation.

***internal building connection equipment*** means a facility which is:

(a) installed in a multi-unit building; and

(b) used (or intended to be used at some future time) in the supply of carriage services to end users that are, or are to be, located in any of the following:

(i) the building in which the facility is installed; or

(ii) nearby any related buildings.

***listed international agreement*** has the same meaning as in Schedule 3 to the Act.

Note: Listed international agreements are agreements specified in the regulations.

***national network*** means a network that has:

(a) a geographic reach into every state or mainland territory;

(b) a significant number of end users connected, or likely to be connected; and

(c) importance to the national economy.

***network termination device*** means a device which establishes a demarcation point between the carrier’s telecommunications network and customer cabling or customer equipment.

***optical fibre access terminal*** means a connector device that allows one or more individual fibres from an optical fibre line link to be connected to an optical fibre drop cable.

***optical node*** means an enclosure or device in which a telecommunications cable is connected:

(a) with one or more drop cables; or

(b) to an access terminal.

***optical fibre splice enclosure*** means an enclosure in which individual fibres from an optical fibre line link are separated out and spliced to an optical fibre drop cable or otherwise connected to an optical fibre access terminal.

***Nature Conservation Director*** means the Director of National Parks and Wildlife under the *National Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act 1975*.

***original facility*** means the original structure that is currently used, or intended to be used, for connection to a telecommunications network where the original structure was:

(a) in place on the date on which the *Telecommunications (Low‑impact Facilities) Determination 1997 (Amendment No. 1 of 1999)* took effect; or

(b) installed after that date by means other than in accordance with Part 7 of the Schedule.

***planning law***, for an area, means a law of the State or Territory where the area is located dealing with land use, planning or zoning.

***power supply*** means a device that connects a network termination device, optical node or amplifier to a source or supply of electrical power.

***premises connection device*** means an enclosure (and any associated devices) which is used to terminate a drop cable (whether such a cable is deployed overhead or underground) for the transition of that cable to another facility or in-building cabling.

***principal designated use***, for an area, has the meaning given by section 1.4.

***public utility*** has the same meaning as in Schedule 3 to the Act.

***public utility structure*** means a structure used, or for use, by a public utility, for the provision to the public of:

(a) reticulated products or services, such as electricity, gas, water, sewerage or drainage; or

(b) carriage services (other than carriage services supplied by a carriage service provider); or

(c) transport services; or

(d) a product or service of a kind that is similar to a product or service covered by paragraph (a), (b) or (c).

***relevant local government authority***, for land in a State or Territory, means an authority of the State or Territory responsible for the local government of the area where the land is located.

***residential area*** has the meaning given by section 2.3.

***rural area*** has the meaning given by section 2.4.

***significant environmental disturbance*** means significant interference with the relationship between a species or community and its immediate environment or habitat and includes, for example, significant interference with identified flora and fauna, ecological communities, geological features, wilderness values or scientific values within an area.

***splice enclosure*** means a device that is spliced to a drop cable or other line link, or otherwise connected to an access terminal.

***subscriber connection*** means an installation for the sole purpose of connecting premises to a telecommunications network.

***substantive volume*** means the size of a facility measured in three dimensions, without including the size of any ancillary fixings, protrusions, or other attachments of an incidental nature in this calculation.

***Torres Strait Islander*** has the same meaning as in Schedule 3 to the Act.

***tower*** means a tower, pole or mast.

Note: A number of other words and expressions used in this determination are defined in the *Telecommunications Act 1997* (see s 7), including ‘carrier’ and ‘facility’.

***underground network equipment*** means a device that is:

(a) located underground in a pit or conduit; and

(b) part of a network for the high speed carriage of communications.

1.4 Principal designated use

(1) If an area is described, under a planning law, as having a sole or principal use, the use is the ***principal designated use*** of the area.

(2) If an area is described, under a planning law, as having 2 or more uses, in terms that show that 1 of the uses is the predominant, preferred or most likely use, the use is the ***principal designated use*** of the area.

(3) If an area is described, under a planning law, as having 2 or more principal uses, without any indication of the predominant, preferred or most likely use, the ***principal designated use*** of the area is determined on the following basis:

(a) if the uses include residential purposes, the principal designated use is for residential purposes;

(b) if the uses include commercial purposes, but not residential purposes, the principal designated use is for commercial purposes;

(c) if the uses include industrial purposes, but neither residential nor commercial purposes, the principal designated use is for industrial purposes.

(4) If a carrier proposes to engage in a low‑impact facility activity in an area under Chapter 4 of the Telecommunications Code of Practice 1997, the principal designated use of the area is to be determined by reference to the time when the carrier proposes to issue the first notice to the owner or occupier of land in the area under Part 5 of that Chapter.

Note: Areas of environmental significance are identified in accordance with section 2.5, not by reference to planning laws.

The effect of this determination is that an area may be an area of environmental significance, and also a residential, commercial, industrial or rural area identified by reference to planning laws. However, the area’s status as an area of environmental significance is more important for the identification of low‑impact facilities.

Part 2—Areas

2.1 Commercial area

An area is a commercial area if its principal designated use is for commercial purposes.

Note: The use of an area is to be assessed at the time mentioned in subsection 1.4 (4).

2.2 Industrial area

An area is an industrial area if its principal designated use is for industrial purposes.

Note: The use of an area is to be assessed at the time mentioned in subsection 1.4 (4).

2.3 Residential area

(1) An area is a residential area if its principal designated use is for residential purposes.

(2) A part of a built‑up area is a residential area if it cannot otherwise be described as a commercial, industrial or rural area.

Note: The use of an area is to be assessed at the time mentioned in subsection 1.4 (4).

2.4 Rural area

(1) An area is a rural area if its principal designated use is for rural purposes.

(2) An area that is not part of a built‑up area is a rural area if it cannot otherwise be described as a commercial, industrial or residential area.

Note: The use of an area is to be assessed at the time mentioned in subsection 1.4 (4).

2.5 Area of environmental significance

(1) An area is an area of environmental significance if it is identified property for section 3A of the *World Heritage Properties Conservation Act 1983*.

(2) An area is an area of environmental significance if it is an identified property (within the meaning of section 3A of the *World Heritage Properties Conservation Act 1983*).

(3) An area is an area of environmental significance if it is a place that Australia is required to protect by the terms of a listed international agreement.

(4) An area is an area of environmental significance if, under a law of the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory:

(a) it is designated as a reserve for nature conservation purposes; and

(b) the principal purpose of the designated reserve is for nature conservation.

(5) An area is an area of environmental significance if it is an area that, under a law of the Commonwealth, or a State or Territory, is protected from significant environmental disturbance.

(6) An area is an area of environmental significance if it is entered in the Register of the National Estate or the Interim List for that Register.

(7) An area is an area of environmental significance if, under a law of the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory, it consists of a place, building or thing that is entered in a register relating to heritage conservation.

(8) An area is an area of environmental significance if, under a law of the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory, it is:

(a) entered in a register; or

(b) otherwise identified;

as being of significance to Aboriginal persons or Torres Strait Islanders, in accordance with their traditions.

Part 3—Low‑impact facilities

3.1 Facilities

(1) A facility described in column 2 of an item in the Schedule is a low‑impact facility only if it is installed, or to be installed, in an area mentioned in column 3 of the item.

(2) However, the facility is not a low‑impact facility if the area is also an area of environmental significance.

(3) For subsection (1), trivial variations for a facility mentioned in column 2 are to be disregarded.

(4) A facility that is ancillary to a facility covered by subsection (1) is also a low‑impact facility only if it is:

(a) necessary for the operation or proper functioning of the low‑impact facility; or

(b) installed, or to be installed, solely to ensure the protection or safety of:

(i) the low‑impact facility;

(ii) a facility covered by paragraph (a); or

(iii) persons or property in close proximity to the low‑impact facility.

Schedule—Facilities and areas

(section 3.1)

Part 1—Radio facilities

| Column 1 Item no. | Column 2 Facility | Column 3 Areas |
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| 1 | Subscriber connection deployed by radio or satellite terminal antenna or dish:  (a) not more than 1.2 metres in diameter; and  (b) either:  (i) colour‑matched to its background; or  (ii) in a colour agreed in writing between the carrier and the relevant local authority | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 1A | Subscriber connection deployed by radio or satellite terminal antenna or dish:  (a) not more than 1.8 metres in diameter; and  (b) either:  (i) colour‑matched to its background; or  (ii) in a colour agreed in writing between the carrier and the relevant local government authority | Industrial  Rural |
| 2 | Panel, yagi or other like antenna:  (a) flush mounted to an existing structure; and  (b) either:  (i) colour‑matched to its background; or  (ii) in a colour agreed in writing between the carrier and the relevant local authority | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 3 | Panel, yagi or other like antenna:  (a) not more than 2.8 metres long; and  (b) if the antenna is attached to a structure—protruding from the structure by not more than 3 metres; and | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
|  | (c) either:  (i) colour‑matched to its background; or  (ii) in a colour agreed in writing between the carrier and the relevant local authority |  |
| 4 | An omnidirectional antenna or an array of omnidirectional antennas:  (a) not more than 4.5 metres long; and  (b) not more than 5 metres apart; and  (c) if the array is attached to a structure—protruding from the structure by not more than 2 metres | Industrial  Rural |
| 5 | Radiocommunications dish:  (a) not more than 1.2 metres in diameter; and  (b) either:  (i) colour‑matched to its background; or  (ii) in a colour agreed in writing between the carrier and the relevant local government authority; and  (c) if attached to a supporting structure, the total protrusion from the structure is not more than 2 metres | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 5A | Radiocommunications dish:  (a) not more than 1.8 metres in diameter; and  (b) either:  (i) colour‑matched to its background; or  (ii) in a colour agreed in writing between the carrier and the relevant local government authority | Industrial  Rural |
| 6 | Microcell installation with:  (a) a cabinet not more than 1 cubic metre in volume; and  (b) a separate antenna not more than 1 metre long | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 7 | In‑building coverage installation:  (a) to improve cellular coverage to mobile phone users operating inside a building; and  (b) wholly contained and concealed in a building | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 8 | Equipment installed inside a structure, including an antenna concealed in an existing structure | Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 9 | An extension to a tower if:  (a) the height of the extension does not exceed 5 metres; and  (b) there have been no previous extensions to the tower | Industrial  Rural |

Part 2—Underground housing

| Column 1 Item no. | Column 2 Facility | Column 3 Areas |
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| 1 | Pit with surface area of not more than 2 square metres | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 2 | Manhole with surface area of not more than 2 square metres | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 3 | Underground equipment shelter or housing with surface area of not more than 2 square metres | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |

Part 3—Above ground housing

| Column 1 Item no. | Column 2 Facility | Column 3 Areas |
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| 1 | Pillar:  (a) not more than 2 metres high; and  (b) with a base area of not more than 2 square metres | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 2 | Roadside cabinet:  (a) not more than 2 metres high; and  (b) with a base area of not more than 2 square metres | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 3 | Pedestal:  (a) not more than 2 metres high; and  (b) with a base area of not more than 2 square metres | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 4 | equipment shelter:  (a) not more than 2.5 metres high; and  (b) with a base area of not more than 5 square metres; and  (c) either:  (i) colour‑matched to its background; or  (ii) in a colour agreed in writing between the carrier and the relevant local authority | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 5 | equipment shelter:  (a) used solely to house equipment used to assist in providing a service by means of a facility mentioned in Part 1; and  (b) not more than 3 metres high; and  (c) with a base area of not more than 7.5 square metres; and  (d) either:  (i) colour‑matched to its background; or  (ii) in a colour agreed in writing between the carrier and the relevant local authority | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 6 | In‑building subscriber connection equipment | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 7 | Solar panel with a base area of not more than 7.5 square metres | Rural |
| 8 | External building connection equipment:  (a) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.59 cubic metres; and  (b) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 9 | Internal building connection equipment:  (a) the substantive volume of which is not more than 1.3 cubic metres; and  (b) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 10 | In-building network equipment:  (a) the substantive volume of which is not more than 1.3 cubic metres; and  (b) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |

Part 4—Underground facilities (for fixed-line networks)

| Column 1 Item no. | Column 2 Facility | Column 3 Areas |
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| 1 | Underground conduit or cable deployed by:  (a) narrow trench not more than:  (i) 450 millimetres wide; or  (ii) 650 millimetres wide if intended to be used by more than one carrier; or  (b) direct burial; or  (c) bore or directional drill hole at least 600 millimetres below the surface;  where:  (d) access to business premises is not restricted between the hours of 8 am and 6 pm, Monday to Friday, or such other hours agreed to by the relevant local government authority; and  (e) in relation to residential areas, not more than 100 metres of excavation is left open for each trench at any time and vehicle access to each property is not lost for more than 8 hours in total. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 2 | Conduit or cabling to be laid in:  (a) an existing trench; or  (b) a trench created by a developer, relevant local government authority, public utility or carrier. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 3 | Cable location marking post or sign | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 4 | Underground optical fibre splice enclosure:  (a) forming part of (or integrated with) a cable; and  (b) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.046 cubic metres. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 5 | Underground optical fibre access terminal:  (a) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.02 cubic metres. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 6 | Underground network equipment:  (a) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.23 cubic metres; and  (b) that is, or is to be, part of a national network, used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |

Part 4A—Above ground facilities (for fixed-line networks)

| Column 1 Item no. | Column 2 Facility | Column 3 Areas |
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| 1 | A single line link or a bundle of line links:  (a) suspended above the surface of:  (i) land (other than submerged land); or  (ii) a river, lake, tidal inlet, bay, estuary, harbour or other body of water; or  (b) protruding from the surface of land (other than submerged land); and  (c) the maximum external cross-section of any part is:  (i) in the case of a single line link—48 millimetres;  (ii) in the case of a bundle of line links—48 millimetres;  (d) deployed on, or attached to, a public utility structure, building or other structure; and  (e) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 2 | Optical node:  (a) suspended above the surface of:  (i) land (other than submerged land); or  (ii) a river, lake, tidal inlet, bay, estuary, harbour or other body of water; and  (b) either:  (i) forming part of (or integrated with) a cable; or  (ii) clamped to, strung from, or otherwise affixed to a cable; or  (iii) mounted on a public utility structure, building or other structure;  (c) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.21 cubic metres; and  (d) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 3 | Splice enclosure:  (a) suspended above the surface of:  (i) land (other than submerged land); or  (ii) a river, lake, tidal inlet, bay, estuary, harbour or other body of water; and  (b) either:  (i) forming part of (or integrated with) a cable; or  (ii) clamped to, strung from, or otherwise mounted on a public utility structure, building or other structure;  (c) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.046 cubic metres; and  (d) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 4 | Access terminal:  (a) suspended above the surface of:  (i) land (other than submerged land); or  (ii) a river, lake, tidal inlet, bay, estuary, harbour or other body of water; and  (b) either:  (i) clamped to, strung from or otherwise affixed to a cable; or  (ii) clamped to, strung from, or otherwise mounted on a public utility structure, building or structure;  (c) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.035 cubic metres; and  (d) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 5 | A single drop cable or a bundle of drop cables:  (a) either:  (i) suspended above the surface of:  A. land (other than submerged land); or  B. a river, lake, tidal inlet, bay, estuary, harbour or other body of water; or  (ii) protruding from the surface of land (other than submerged land); and  (b) either:  (i) clamped to an electrical drop cable or other cable; or  (ii) strung from a public utility structure, building or other structure; and  (c) attached to a building or other structure for the purposes of a subscriber connection;  (d) the maximum external cross-section of any part is:  (i) in the case where a single drop cable is attached to a single-unit building—13 millimetres; or  (ii) in the case where a bundle of drop cables is attached to a single-unit building—13 millimetres; or  (iii) in the case where a single drop cable is attached to a multi-unit building—30 millimetres; or  (iv) in the case where a bundle of drop cables is attached to a multi-unit building—30 millimetres; and  (e) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 6 | Premises connection device:  (a) attached to a building or other structure for the purposes of a subscriber connection;  (b) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.04 cubic metres; and  (c) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 7 | Network termination device:  (a) attached to a building or other structure for the purposes of a subscriber connection;  (b) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.02 cubic metres; and  (c) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 8 | Power supply:  (a) attached, clamped, strung from, or otherwise mounted, to a public utility structure, building or other structure for the purposes of powering network equipment and/or a subscriber connection;  (b) the substantive volume of which is not more than:  (i) 0.005 cubic metres—where connected to a network termination device;  (ii) 0.15 cubic metres—where connected to an optical node or amplifier; and  (c) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 9 | Amplifier:  (a) suspended above the surface of:  (i) land (other than submerged land); or  (ii) a river, lake, tidal inlet, bay, estuary, harbour or other body of water; and  (b) either:  (i) clamped to, strung from or otherwise affixed to a cable; or  (ii) clamped to, strung from, or otherwise mounted on a public utility structure, building or structure;  (c) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.02 cubic metres; and  (d) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 10 | Auxiliary network equipment:  (a) which is used to:  (i) connect, isolate, or split a cable; or  (ii) inject power into cable; or  (iii) balance the distribution of power and radio frequency budget of a telecommunications network; or  (iv) actively manage the operational elements of a telecommunications network; and  (b) either:  (i) clamped to, strung from or otherwise affixed to a cable; or  (ii) clamped to, strung from, or otherwise mounted on a public utility structure, building or structure;  (c) the substantive volume of which is not more than 0.002 cubic metres; and  (d) that is, or is to be, part of a national network used, or for use, for the high speed carriage of communications, on a wholesale-only and non-discriminatory basis. | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |

Part 5—Public payphones

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| Column 1 Item no. | Column 2 Facility | Column 3 Areas |
| 1 | Public payphone cabinet or booth:  (a) used solely for carriage and content services; and  (b) not designed for other uses (for example, as a vending machine); and  (c) not fitted with devices or facilities for other uses; and  (d) not used to display commercial advertising other than advertising related to the supply of standard telephone services | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |
| 2 | Public payphone instrument:  (a) used solely for carriage and content services; and  (b) not designed for other uses (for example, as a vending machine); and  (c) not fitted with devices or facilities for other uses; and  (d) not used to display commercial advertising other than advertising related to the supply of standard telephone services or displayed as part of the supply of a content service | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |

Part 6—Emergency facilities

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| Column 1 Item no. | Column 2 Facility | Column 3 Areas |
| 1 | A temporary facility installed:  (a) in an emergency; and  (b) to provide assistance to an emergency services organisation | Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Rural |

Part 7—Co‑located facilities

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| Column 1 Item no. | Column 2 Facility | Column 3 Areas |
| 1 | Facility mentioned in:  (a) Part 1, 5 or 6; or  (b) item 3 of Part 4;  installed on or within:  (c) an original facility; or  (d) a public utility structure | Industrial  Rural |
| 2 | Facility mentioned in:  (a) Part 1, 5 or 6; or  (b) item 3 of Part 4;  installed on or within:  (c) an original facility; or  (d) a public utility structure;  where:  (e) the total co‑location volume of the co‑located facilities is no more than 25 per cent greater than the volume of the original facility or the original infrastructure; and  (f) the levels of noise that are likely to result from the operation of the co‑located facilities are less than or equal to the levels of noise that resulted from the operation of the original facility or the public utility structure | Residential  Commercial |

Endnotes

Endnote 1—About the endnotes

The endnotes provide information about this compilation and the compiled law.

The following endnotes are included in every compilation:

Endnote 1—About the endnotes

Endnote 2—Abbreviation key

Endnote 3—Legislation history

Endnote 4—Amendment history

Endnotes about misdescribed amendments and other matters are included in a compilation only as necessary.

**Abbreviation key—Endnote 2**

The abbreviation key sets out abbreviations that may be used in the endnotes.

**Legislation history and amendment history—Endnotes 3 and 4**

Amending laws are annotated in the legislation history and amendment history.

The legislation history in endnote 3 provides information about each law that has amended (or will amend) the compiled law. The information includes commencement details for amending laws and details of any application, saving or transitional provisions that are not included in this compilation.

The amendment history in endnote 4 provides information about amendments at the provision (generally section or equivalent) level. It also includes information about any provision of the compiled law that has been repealed in accordance with a provision of the law.

**Misdescribed amendments**

A misdescribed amendment is an amendment that does not accurately describe the amendment to be made. If, despite the misdescription, the amendment can be given effect as intended, the amendment is incorporated into the compiled law and the abbreviation “(md)” added to the details of the amendment included in the amendment history.

If a misdescribed amendment cannot be given effect as intended, the amendment is set out in the endnotes.

Endnote 2—Abbreviation key

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| A = Act | orig = original |
| ad = added or inserted | par = paragraph(s)/subparagraph(s) |
| am = amended | /sub‑subparagraph(s) |
| amdt = amendment | pres = present |
| c = clause(s) | prev = previous |
| C[x] = Compilation No. x | (prev…) = previously |
| Ch = Chapter(s) | Pt = Part(s) |
| def = definition(s) | r = regulation(s)/rule(s) |
| Dict = Dictionary | Reg = Regulation/Regulations |
| disallowed = disallowed by Parliament | reloc = relocated |
| Div = Division(s) | renum = renumbered |
| exp = expires/expired or ceases/ceased to have | rep = repealed |
| effect | rs = repealed and substituted |
| F = Federal Register of Legislative Instruments | s = section(s)/subsection(s) |
| gaz = gazette | Sch = Schedule(s) |
| LI = Legislative Instrument | Sdiv = Subdivision(s) |
| LIA = *Legislative Instruments Act 2003* | SLI = Select Legislative Instrument |
| (md) = misdescribed amendment | SR = Statutory Rules |
| mod = modified/modification | Sub‑Ch = Sub‑Chapter(s) |
| No. = Number(s) | SubPt = Subpart(s) |
| o = order(s) | underlining = whole or part not |
| Ord = Ordinance | commenced or to be commenced |

Endnote 3—Legislation history

| Name | FRLI registration | Commencement | Application, saving and transitional provisions |
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| Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities)Determination 1997 | 30 June 1997 (gaz 1997, No S250) | 1 July 1997 |  |
| Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997 (Amendment No. 1 of 1999) | 17 Aug 1999 (gaz 1999, No S377) | 17 Aug 1999 | — |
| Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997 (Amendment No. 1 of 2011) | 15 Dec 2011 (F2011L02696) | 16 Dec 2011 | — |
| Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997 (Amendment No. 1 of 2012) | 22 Nov 2012 (F2012L02218) | 23 Nov 2012 | — |
| Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997 (Amendment No. 1 of 2015) | 1 Apr 2015 (F2015L00456) | 2 Apr 2015 (s 2) | — |
| Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997 (Amendment No. 2 of 2015) | 10 July 2015 (F2015L01137) | 11 July 2015 (s 2) | — |
| Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997 (Amendment No. 3 of 2015) | 24 Aug 2015 (F2015L01312) | 25 Aug 2015 (s 2) | — |

Endnote 4—Amendment history

| Provision affected | How affected |
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| **Part 1** |  |
| s 1.2 | am 2011 No 1 |
| s 1.3 | am 1999 No 1; 2011 No 1; 2015 No 1, 2 and 3 |
| **Part 2** |  |
| s 2.5 | am 1999 No 1 |
| **Part 3** |  |
| s 3.1 | am 1999 No 1; 2012 No 1 |
| **Schedule** |  |
| **Part 1** |  |
| Part 1 | am 1999 No 1 |
| **Part 3** |  |
| Part 3 | am 1999 No 1; 2011 No 1; 2015 No 1 and 3 |
| **Part 4** |  |
| Part 4 heading | rs 2015 No 3 |
| Part 4 | am 1999 No 1; 2011 No 1; 2015 No 1 and 3 |
| **Part 4A** |  |
| Part 4A | ad 2011 No 1 |
|  | rs 2015 No 3 |
| Part 4B | ad 2015 No 1 |
|  | rep 2015 No 3 |
| **Part 5** |  |
| Part 5 | am 1999 No 1 |
| **Part 7** |  |
| Part 7 | am 1999 No 1; 2011 No 1 |