

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Radiocommunications (Compliance Labelling – Electromagnetic Radiation) Amendment Notice 2006 (No. 1)

Radiocommunications Act 1992

Legislative Provisions

The *Radiocommunications (Compliance Labelling – Electromagnetic Radiation) Amendment Notice 2006 (No. 1)* amends the *Radiocommunications (Compliance Labelling – Electromagnetic Radiation) Notice 2003*.

Background

In early 2003 the former Australian Communications Authority made the *Radiocommunications (Compliance Labelling – Electromagnetic Radiation) Notice 2003* (the Notice) under section 182 of the *Radiocommunications Act 1992* (the Act). This Notice requires manufacturers and importers of portable radio transmitters, such as cellular mobile telephones and cordless phones, to establish records for these products to show compliance with an electromagnetic radiation exposure standard and also attach a compliance label to these devices.

Following the introduction of the above arrangements, it was noted that the words ‘accredited testing authority’ in paragraph 15(b) of the Notice were in error and should have read ‘accredited testing body’ as defined in clause 4 of the Notice. The *Radiocommunications (Compliance Labelling – Electromagnetic Radiation) Amendment Notice 2006 (No. 1)* (‘the Amendment Notice’) corrects this error.

Consultation was not undertaken because the nature of the Amendment Notice is such that consultation is unnecessary. The Australian Communications and Media Authority is satisfied that the Amendment Notice is of a minor nature and does not substantially alter existing arrangements.

Notes on the instrument

Section 1 - Name of Notice

Section 1 sets out the name of the Amendment Notice.

Section 2 - Commencement

Section 2 sets the commencement day for the Amendment Notice.

Section 3 - Amendment of *Radiocommunications (Compliance Labelling – Electromagnetic Radiation) Notice 2003*

Section 3 states that Schedule 1 amends the *Radiocommunications (Compliance Labelling – Electromagnetic Radiation) Notice 2003*.

Schedule 1 Amendment

Schedule 1 omits the words ‘accredited testing authority’ in paragraph 15(b) of the Notice and in its place inserts the words ‘accredited testing body’.