

Public Interest Disclosure Amendment (Conduct of Investigations) Standard 2014

I, Colin Neave, Ombudsman, determine the following standard.

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1 Name of standard

 This standard is the *Public Interest Disclosure Amendment (Conduct of Investigations) Standard 2014*.

2 Commencement

 This standard commences on the day after it is registered.

3 Authority

 This standard is determined under section 74 of the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2013.*

4 Schedule(s)

 Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Public Interest Disclosure Standard 2013

1 Subsection 8(2)

Repeal the subsection, substitute:

 (2) Despite subsection (1), if a principal officer is required, when investigating a disclosure, to act in accordance with any rules relating to fraud that are made for the purposes of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*, this standard will apply only to the extent that it is not inconsistent with those rules.

2 Subsection 8(2) (note 1)

Repeal the note, substitute:

Note 1: Subsection 53(4) of the Act requires a principal officer to act in accordance with any rules relating to fraud that are made for the purposes of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* to the extent that an investigation of a disclosure relates to one or more instances of fraud.

3 At the end of the standard

Add:

Part 6—Transitional provisions

16 Application of amendments made by the *Public Interest Disclosure Amendment (Conduct of Investigations) Standard 2014*

 Despite the amendments made by Schedule 1 to the *Public Interest Disclosure Amendment (Conduct of Investigations) Standard 2014* (the***amendment standard***), section 8 of this standard, as in force immediately before 1 July 2014, continues to apply in relation to an investigation that was not completed before that date.