



—  AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY AGENCY

INVITATION FOR SUBMISSIONS DRAFT FINAL REPORT

National Competition Policy Review of Radiation Protection Legislation

In line with commitments under the Competition Principles Agreement 1995, a National Competition Policy review of the radiation protection legislation of the Commonwealth, New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, South Australia, Western Australia, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory is now being undertaken.

The review will be of interest to any business, industry or profession, which uses or in any way deals with radioactive substances, ionising and non-ionising radiation equipment or apparatus. It will also be of interest to consumers, especially those interested in the use of nuclear medicine and radiation equipment for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes and members of the public concerned about the safety of persons and the environment from the harmful effects of radiation.

The Commonwealth's Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) is coordinating the review.

The Review Team was required to identify all provisions in the legislation that restrict competition, assess the impacts, costs and benefits of the restrictions and recommend preferred legislative or non-legislative options to meet radiation protection objectives.

An Issues Paper was released for public comment from 16 October 2000 to 15 December 2000. A total of 30 submissions were received.

The Review Team has prepared a Draft Final Report. This report can be obtained from the Internet at <http://www.arpansa.gov.au/news/ncp.htm> or by contacting:

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Submissions

Interested parties are invited to make written submissions on the Draft Final Report. These should be sent no later than 30 MARCH 2001.

Respondents are encouraged to e-mail their submission or send a diskette containing the submission to the Project Manager.

Unless marked confidential, all submissions will be made public and may be placed on the ARPANSA website.