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## Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

### NOTICE OF DECISION

#### Accident Towing Services Regulations 2008

I, Tim Pallas, Minister for Roads and Ports, and Minister responsible for the administration of the **Accident Towing Services Act 2007**, give notice under section 12 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** of my decision to recommend to the Governor in Council that the proposed Accident Towing Services Regulations 2008 be made.

The objectives of the Regulations are to –

- (a) facilitate the safe, efficient and timely provision of accident towing services and other related services;
- (b) impose requirements on tow truck licence holders, accredited persons and others which advance the objectives set out in section 4 of the **Accident Towing Services Act 2007**;
- (c) ensure that the attendance of licensed tow trucks at road accident scenes in controlled areas is controlled and efficient;
- (d) regulate the behaviour of tow truck drivers at road accident scenes;
- (e) provide for accident towing demerit points to be incurred by accredited persons who fail to comply with their obligations;
- (f) prescribe infringement offences and prescribe the penalties for those offences.

A regulatory impact statement (RIS) was prepared in relation to the proposed Accident Towing Services Regulations 2008. The RIS was advertised on 29 October 2008 seeking public comment and 51 submissions were received. I have decided that the proposed Regulations should be made with amendment including –

- deletion of some offences;
- a reduction in the number of offences for which demerit points may be incurred;
- a reduction in the maximum penalty for certain offences;
- deletion of certain conditions of accreditation;
- insertion of specific exemptions that may be sought by industry participants in relation to certain obligations imposed by the regulations;
- insertion of a prohibition on including non-prescribed information on an authority to tow form, subject to certain exceptions;
- other minor amendments, which will not impose any appreciable burden on a member of the public.

Dated 9 December 2008

TIM PALLAS MP  
Minister for Roads and Ports

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