



NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 75 of 1989

AN ACT

to amend the *Power and Water Authority Act*

[Assented to 12 December 1989]

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, with the assent as provided by the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978* of the Commonwealth, as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the *Power and Water Authority Amendment Act 1989*.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator by notice in the *Gazette*.

3. POWERS OF AUTHORITY

Section 15 of the *Power and Water Authority Act* is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(3) A power of the Authority referred to in subsection (2)(c) includes the power to determine -

- (a) when, where and to whom accounts for services may be rendered;
- (b) the time after which unpaid accounts bear interest payable to the Authority and the rate of interest;

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- (c) the time after which the Authority will restrict, cease or disconnect a service the account for which is not paid in full, and the conditions under which the Authority will restore or reconnect the service;
- (d) discounts for payments made in advance or the rate of interest payable by the Authority for accounts held in credit; and
- (e) methods of assessing the supply of a product to a customer of the Authority where it is not possible to read a meter at an appropriate time, or there is no meter.

"(4) The Authority shall cause the making of a determination referred to in subsection (2)(c) to be notified in the *Gazette*, and unless the determination is published in full in the *Gazette* at the same time, the notice shall indicate where copies of the determination may be purchased.

"(5) A determination referred to in subsection (2)(c) comes into operation on the date on which the making of the determination is notified in the *Gazette* or, if the determination is expressed to come into operation at a later time, at that later time."
