

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 50 of 1987

AN ACT

to amend the Uranium Mining (Environment Control) Act

[Assented to 16 November, 1987]

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 *Uranium Mining* (Environment Control) Amendment Act 1987.

2. PRINCIPAL ACT

The Uranium Mining (Environment Control) Act is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

POWERS OF INSPECTOR

- (1) Section 19(1) of the Principal Act is amended -
- (a) by inserting after "mining" the words "or any other activity";
- (b) by omitting "in the mine" (first appearing); and
- (c) by inserting in paragraph (a) after "of the mine" the words "or the cessation of the other activity".
- (2) Section 19(6) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after "mining" the words "or the other activity".

4. INQUIRIES

Section 21(1) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting "in relation to a mine".

5. AVERMENTS AS TO FACTS

Section 24(b) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after "mining" the words "or other specified activity".

6. PENALTY

Section 27 of the Principal Act is amended -

- (a) by omitting "A person" and substituting "(1) Subject to subsection (2), a person"; and
- (b) by adding at the end the following:
- "(2) A person who contravenes or fails to comply with a direction given by an inspector under section 19(1) in relation to an activity other than mining is liable to a penalty not exceeding \$10,000 in respect of each such offence and a daily penalty not exceeding \$1,000 in respect of each day during which the offence continues.
- "(3) An offence under subsection (2) is a regulatory offence.
- "(4) Where a person damages any property or environment or removes any property or other thing by failing to comply or, as the case may be, acting in contravention of the direction of an inspector given in relation to an activity other than mining, an inspector may -
 - (a) repair or restore the property or environment; or
- (b) recover the property or other thing removed, and the costs of and incidental to that repair, restoration or recovery may, upon the conviction of a person liable to a penalty under subsection (2) and whether a penalty has been imposed or not, be recovered from that person in the like manner as a fine."