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Regulations under the *Local Government Act*

I, JOHN CHRISTOPHER ANICTOMATIS, the Administrator of the Northern Territory of Australia, acting with the advice of the Executive Council, make the following regulations under the *Local Government Act*.

Dated 30 October 2003.

J. C. ANICTOMATIS Administrator

By His Honour's Command

JANE AAGAARD Minister for Health and Community Services acting for and on behalf of the Minister for Local Government

* Notified in the Northern Territory Government Gazette on 5 November 2003.

Local Government (Accounting) Regulations

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1. Principal Regulations

The Local Government (Accounting) Regulations are in these Regulations referred to as the Principal Regulations.

2. Heading to Part V

The heading to Part V of the Principal Regulations is amended by omitting "STATEMENTS AND AUDITS" and substituting "STATEMENTS, AUDITS AND OTHER ANNUAL RETURNS".

3. New regulation

The Principal Regulations are amended by inserting after regulation 11 in Part V the following:

"11A. Annual return of further information

"(1) In addition to the information required to be provided under regulation 11, a council must provide to the Northern Territory Grants Commission an annual return of further specified information relating to its local government activities, in the manner requested by the Commission, not later than 30 November of each year or such extension of time as has been agreed to by the Chairman of the Commission.

"(2) If a council fails to provide the further information to the Northern Territory Grants Commission in the manner and within the time required under subregulation (1), or provides incorrect or misleading information, it is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: 20 penalty units.".

4. Repeal and substitution

Regulation 35 of the Principal Regulations is repealed and the following substituted:

"35. Requests from government authorities for information

"(1) A council must provide any information or statistics relating to the council's local government activities requested by the Minister, or an Agency, department or authority of the Territory or the Commonwealth, in the manner and within the time requested.

"(2) If a council fails to provide information requested under subregulation (1) in the manner and within the time requested, or provides incorrect or misleading information, it is guilty of an offence.

Penalty: 20 penalty units.".

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