



Queensland

Professional Standards (College of Investigative and Remedial Consulting Engineers Australia Professional Standards Scheme) Notice 2013

Explanatory Notes for SL 2013 No. 22

made under the

Professional Standards Act 2004

General outline

Short title

Professional Standards (College of Investigative and Remedial Consulting Engineers Australia Professional Standards Scheme) Notice 2013.

Authorising law

Section 14(1) of the *Professional Standards Act 2004* (the Act) provides for the Minister to give notice of the Professional Standards Council's approval of an interstate scheme.

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The primary objective is to give notice of the approval of an interstate scheme by the Professional Standards Council of New South Wales.

Achievement of policy objectives

The subordinate legislation achieves its objectives by giving notice of the approval by the Professional Standards Council of New South Wales of the College of Investigative and Remedial Consulting Engineers Australia (CIRCEA) Professional Standards Scheme. The scheme will apply to all ordinary members of CIRCEA who have the benefit of an insurance policy complying with standards set by CIRCEA (in accordance with section 28 of the Act).

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The notice is consistent with the main objects of the Act.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

The notice is not inconsistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

Alternative ways of achieving policy

There is no alternative way of achieving the policy as the Act provides that the Minister must give notice of approval of a scheme and that notice is subordinate legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

There are no costs associated with the implementation of this notice.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The notice is consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

As required under section 8 of the *Professional Standards Act 1994* (NSW), the scheme was notified in *The Courier Mail*, *The Australian*, *The Sydney Morning Herald*, *The Daily Telegraph*, *The Melbourne Age*, *The Adelaide Advertiser*, *The West Australian* and *The NT News*. Advice of the

notification was also sent by post to 200 stakeholders and interested others. A 28 day period was provided for submissions.

The Regulatory Reform Branch (Queensland Treasury and Trade) was consulted in relation to the proposed notice and confirmed that a Regulatory Assessment Statement is not required.

ENDNOTES

- 1 Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
- 2 The administering agency is the Department of Justice and Attorney-General.

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