

# Environmental Protection Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2020

## Human Rights Certificate

### Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*

In accordance with section 41 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, I, Leeanne Enoch, Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, Minister for Science and Minister for the Arts provide this human rights certificate with respect to the Environmental Protection Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2020 made under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.

In my opinion, the Environmental Protection Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2020 as tabled in the Legislative Assembly, is compatible with the human rights protected by the *Human Rights Act 2019*. I base my opinion on the reasons outlined in this statement.

### Overview of the Subordinate Legislation

The Environmental Protection Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2020 (the Amendment Regulation) amends the Environmental Protection Regulation 2019 to:

- prescribe an annual return date of 1 April for particular environmental authority holders;
- correct a drafting error to ensure regulated wastes are included as prescribed water contaminants; and
- prescribe the fee for an application for a decision about whether an environmental impact statement may be required for a project.

### Human Rights Issues

#### Human rights relevant to the subordinate legislation (Part 2, Division 2 and 3 *Human Rights Act 2019*)

The *Environment Protection Amendment Regulation 2020* does not engage or limit any of the human rights listed in Part 2, Division 2 and 3 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

### Conclusion

I consider that the Environmental Protection Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2020 is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not engage any human rights.

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