

## ABOUT THIS REPORT

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The *Bureau of Meteorology Annual Report 2007-08* is provided to the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts. This document reports on the performance of the Bureau in accordance with the Requirements for Annual Reports for Departments, Executive Agencies and FMA Act Bodies (June 2008) as prepared by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and approved by the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit.

### REPORT STRUCTURE

The report includes a number of introductory chapters comprising a review by the Director of Meteorology, an overview of the agency and a summary of the new developments for the year.

Subsequent chapters report on the achievements of each of the Major Outputs of the Bureau of Meteorology against the measures set out in the Portfolio Budget Statements 2007-08 for the Environment and Water Resources Portfolio (Budget Related Paper No. 1.7) which now apply to the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts Portfolio. Within each chapter, output performance is considered in terms of actual achievement against these measures, and in terms of the major developments for the year and their contribution towards the planned outcome.

The final chapters contain information on matters of corporate governance, a summary of the issues associated with corporate resource management and a review of Bureau corporate communication activities as well as the audited financial statements for 2007-08.

Appendixes to the report provide supplementary information, some of which is required under specific legislation, including:

- staff summary;
- total resources;
- occupational health and safety;
- disability strategy;
- freedom of information;
- advertising and marketing research;
- ecologically sustainable development and environmental performance;
- consultancies;
- discretionary grants ;
- glossary of acronyms;
- compliance index; and
- material errors in the *Bureau of Meteorology Annual Report 2006-07*.

The 2007-08 Annual Report of the Bureau of Meteorology Advisory Board is included as an Annex.

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