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**The National Competition Council**

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# Abbreviations

ABB	Australian Barley Board
ACC	Australian Communications Authority
ACCC	Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
ACIS	Automotive Competitiveness and Investment Scheme
ACT	Australian Capital Territory
ACTION	Australian Capital Territory Internal Omnibus Network
ACTTAB	Australian Capital Territory Totalizator Agency Board
ADC	Australian Dairy Corporation
AGL	Australian Gas Light Company
AHC	Australian Horticulture Corporation
AHMAC	Australian Health Ministers Advisory Council
AHMC	Australian Health Ministers Conference
ANZFA	Australia New Zealand Food Authority
ANZMEC	Australian and New Zealand Minerals and Energy Council
APMVA	Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority
APRA	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority
AQIS	Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service
ARMCANZ	Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand
ARPANSA	Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency
ATC	Australian Transport Council
AWB	Australian Wheat Board
AWBI	AWB (International) Ltd
BIC	Banana Industry Committee

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BMA	Brisbane Market Authority
BRC	Bookmakers Revision Committee
CAA	Capital Assistance Authorities
CAC	Community Ambulance Cover
CBH	Co-operative Bulk Handling Limited
CCA	Conduct Code Agreement
CGS	Commonwealth Grants Scheme
CIE	Centre for International Economics
CN	Competitive neutrality
CoAG	Council of Australian Governments
CPA	Competition Principles Agreement
CPI	Consumer price index
CRR	Committee on Regulatory Reform
CSO	Customer Service Obligation
CTP	Compulsory Third Party
DHA	Defence Housing Authority
DMS	Domestic Market Support
EFIC	Export Finance and Insurance Corporation
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
FAG	Financial Assistance Grant
FSANZ	Food Standards Australia New Zealand
FTA	Free trade agreement
GBE	Government business enterprise
GPO	General Post Office
GPWA	Grain Pool of Western Australia
HACC	Home and Community Care
HEC	Hydro-Electric Commission

HELP	Higher Education Loans Programme
HP(H)C	Hastings Port (Holding) Corporation
ICRC	Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission (ACT)
IDC	Interdepartmental Committee
IPART	Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (NSW)
IRG	Industry Reference Group
ITSA	Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia
kW	Kilowatt
LPG	Liquid Petroleum Gas
LRP	Legislation Review Program
MCCA	Ministerial Council on Consumer Affairs
MIA	Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area
MPC	Melbourne Port Corporation
MRA	Mutual Recognition Agreement
MW	Megawatt
NCC	National Competition Council
NCP	National Competition Policy
NDRP	National Directory for Radiation Protection
NOHSC	National Occupational Health and Safety Commission
NOIE	National Office of Information Economy
NRA	National Registration Authority
NRTC	National Road Transport Commission
NSW	New South Wales
NT	Northern Territory
NTGPASS	Northern Territory Government and Public Authorities Superannuation Scheme

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ORR	Office of Regulation Review
OWP	Office of Water Policy
OWR	Office of Water Regulation
PAR	Performance Assessment Regime
PAWA	Power and Water Authority
PBT	Public benefit test
PC	Productivity Commission
QBSA	Queensland Building Services Authority
QCSC	Queensland Corrective Services Commission
QIC	Queensland Investment Corporation
QIRC	Queensland Industrial Relations Commission
QR	Queensland Rail
RCL	Ricegrowers' Co-operative Limited
REA	Rice Export Authority
RIS	Regulatory/Regulation Impact Statement
RMB	Rice Marketing Board
SA	South Australia
SCAG	Standing Committee of Attorneys-General
SCARM	Standing Committee of Agriculture and Resources Management
SIP	Strategic Investment Program
TAB	Totalizator Agency Board
TABCORP	Totalizator Agency Board Corporation
TCF	Textiles, clothing and footwear
TAC	Transport Accident Commission
TCV	Treasury Corporation of Victoria
TDIA	Tasmanian Dairy Industry Authority

TGA	Therapeutic Goods Administration
TGIO	Tasmanian Government Insurance Office
TPA	<i>Trade Practices Act 1974</i>
TTMRA	Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Arrangement
VCA	Victorian Channels Authority
VFF	Victorian Farmers Federation
WA	Western Australia
WAIRC	Western Australian Industrial Relations Commission
WEA	Wheat Export Authority
WRC	Water and Rivers Commission