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PREFACE

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This Standard is identical with, and has been reproduced from EN 301 549 V1.1.2 (2015-04), *Accessibility requirements suitable for public procurement of ICT products and services in Europe*.

This Standard has been developed through the direct text adoption of the European Standard EN 301 549, *Accessibility requirements suitable for public procurement of ICT products and services in Europe*. EN 301 549 was produced by ETSI Technical Committee, Human Factors (HF), and the eAccessibility Joint Working Group of CEN/CENELEC/ETSI. It was first published in January 2014.

Under the auspices of Standards Australia, a broad alliance of stakeholders, led by the Australian Government Department of Finance and the Australian Communications Consumer Action Network (ACCAN), undertook to adopt the EN 301 549 as an Australian Standard. This new Australian Standard is to be used as guidance for all levels of government when determining technical specifications for the procurement of accessible ICT products and services.

The Commonwealth Procurement Rules (Section 10.9) direct procurers to base technical specifications on recognized International Standards when they exist and are applicable to the goods or services being procured. In the absence of an International Standard for the public procurement of accessible ICT, the Australian Standard will provide guidance on prescribing technical specifications when the Commonwealth procures ICT goods and services. State, territory and local governments will also be able to make use of this document.

This Standard has been developed so that it can also be used as guidance for private sector procurement of accessible ICT products and services.

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(a) In the source text ‘the present document’ should read ‘this Australian Standard’.

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(c) In the first sentence of Clause 1, Scope, ‘public procurement in Europe’ should read ‘public procurement in Australia’.

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