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This Determination has been replaced by TD 2006/33.

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Taxation Determination

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Taxation Determination TD 93/189 is withdrawn with effect from today.

- 1. Taxation Determination TD 93/189, which issued 30 September 1993, considers the deductibility, under subsection 51(1) and the depreciation provisions of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* (ITAA 1936), of the cost of a depreciating asset that a taxpayer acquires to assist them to undertake a specific client project for which they receive an assessable fee. The Taxation Determination states that the cost is dealt with under the depreciation provisions.
- 2. Both of these provisions were rewritten in 1997 as part of the Tax Law Improvement Project. Subsection 51(1) of the ITAA 1936 was replaced by section 8-1 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* (ITAA 1997) and the depreciation provisions were replaced by Division 42 of the ITAA 1997. From 1 July 2001, Division 42 was replaced by Division 40 of the ITAA 1997.
- 3. As TD 93/189 is no longer current, it is accordingly withdrawn, and is replaced by Taxation Determination TD 2006/33 to reflect the current provisions. There is no change to the views expressed.

Commissioner of Taxation

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