TD 94/49 - Income tax: can convertible notes qualify as infrastructure borrowings?

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Taxation Determination

Income tax: can convertible notes qualify as infrastructure borrowings?

1. Yes. Borrowings that are raised or issued in the form of notes convertible into shares may constitute infrastructure borrowings. The income exemption period would terminate when the notes are converted into shares. On conversion, the shares will not be infrastructure borrowings.

2. The income and deduction 'exemption' referred to in section 159GZZZZE applies to payments, gains or losses during the period that the note is current.

Commissioner of Taxation 16/6/94

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