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List of acronyms

the Act	<i>Public Works Committee Act 1969</i>
ADF	Australian Defence Force
DEWR	Department of Environment and Water Resources
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
GST	Goods and Services Tax
MRTT	multi role tanker transport
WELS	Water Efficiency Labelling Standards



Extract from the Votes and Proceedings of the House of Representatives

No. 175 dated Thursday, 31 May 2007

PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE—REFERENCE
OF WORK— RAAF BASE AMBERLEY REDEVELOPMENT STAGE 3, QLD.

Mr Lindsay (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Defence), pursuant to notice, moved— That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: RAAF Base Amberley redevelopment stage 3, Queensland.

Question— put and passed.



List of recommendations

3 Issues and Conclusions

Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that in the event that there is contamination found to be present on the site of Fuel Farm 1, Defence take all appropriate action to quarantine the site or proceed with decontamination, putting into place appropriate safeguards for such works, and advise the Committee of the action taken.

Recommendation 2

The Committee recommends that Defence provide details of the level of hydrocarbon contamination found on the site of Fuel Farm 1 following its demolition, and that it furnish a report on how contamination was ultimately processed, and whether any contaminated soil was removed from the site, including details of additional costs incurred associated with disposal.

Recommendation 3

The Committee recommends that Defence provide details of water consumption rates at RAAF Base Amberley following completion of the current works, and the savings in water consumption that have been achieved.

Recommendation 4

The Committee recommends that Defence provide the final cost to the Commonwealth for the acquisition of land that will enable the

reconfiguration of the intersection of the Old Toowoomba Road and Behms Road when the purchase is finalised.

Recommendation 5

The Committee recommends that the proposed RAAF Base Amberley Redevelopment Stage 3 proceed at an estimated cost of \$331.5 million.

