

Appendix 3

Public Hearings, Witnesses and Site Inspections

Wednesday 2 February 2005 – Canberra, ACT

Department of Transport and Regional Services

Mr Peter Yuile, Deputy Secretary

Ms Leslie Riggs, Acting Deputy Secretary

Mr Bill De Jong, Acting Assistant Secretary, Regional Operations Branch

Mr Steve Pantelidis, Acting Assistant Secretary, Regional Communities Branch

Thursday 3 February 2005 – Canberra, ACT

Mr Tony Windsor MP, Federal Member for New England

Mr Stephen Hall (Private capacity)

Ms Helen Tickle (Private capacity)

Thursday 10 February 2005 – Canberra, ACT

Department of Transport and Regional Services

Mr Peter Yuile, Deputy Secretary

Ms Leslie Riggs, Acting Deputy Secretary

Dr Gary Dolman, Assistant Secretary, Regional Communities Branch

Mr Bill De Jong, Acting Assistant Secretary, Regional Operations Branch

Thursday 24 February 2005 – The Entrance, NSW

Wyong Shire Council

Cr Brenton Pavier, Mayor

Cr Bob Graham, Deputy Mayor

Mr Kerry Yates, General Manager

Mr David Cathers, Director of Engineering Services

Central Coast Area Consultative Committee

Mr Peter Hale, Chair

Central Coast Community Environment Network

Mr John Asquith, Chair

Department of Transport and Regional Services

Dr Gary Dolman, Assistant Secretary, Regional Communities Branch

Friday 25 February 2005 – Brisbane, Qld

Former members of the Beaudesert Railway Committee of Management

Mr Alan Robert (Private capacity)
Mr Robert Cawley (Private capacity)

Beaudesert Shire Council

Cr Joy Drescher, Mayor

Gold Coast and Region Area Consultative Committee

Mr Dennis Chant, Chair
Mr Brian Gassman, former Chair
Ms Anne Norton-Knight, Executive Officer

Beaudesert Rail

Mr Ron Munn, Chair

Mr Rick Gillow, former auditor

Mr Lachlan McIntosh, former receiver

Department of Transport and Regional Services

Ms Leslie Riggs, Acting Deputy Secretary
Dr Gary Dolman, Assistant Secretary, Regional Communities Branch

Thursday 10 March 2005 – Canberra, ACT

Australian Equine and Livestock Centre

Mr Gregory Maguire, Chair

Wednesday 13 April 2005 – Cairns, Qld

Ms Lyn O'Connor (Private capacity)

Mr Lindsay Stewart, former Director, A2 Dairy Marketers (Private capacity)

Mr Joe Strazzeri (Private capacity)

Far North Queensland Area Consultative Committee

Mr Robert Blanckensee, Chair
Mr Tomas Vieira, Executive Officer

Atherton Tablelands Sustainable Regions Advisory Committee

Mr Robert Blanckensee, Chair
Mr Michael Lawrence, Executive Officer
Mr Peter McDade, former Chair (Private capacity)

Thursday 14 April 2005 – Cairns, Qld**Tolga Woodworks**

Mr Trevor & Mrs Annette Allwood, Proprietors

Mr Michael Nasser, Manager and Part Owner, Barron Valley Hotel

Cr Len Curtis, (Private capacity)

Ms Liz Rose, Club Manager, Atherton Sub-branch of the Returned and Services League of Australia Sport and Recreation Club Inc.

Mr Robin Fuller, Treasurer, Atherton International Club

Dimbulah Reticulated Water Supply Action Group

Mr Denis McKinley, Spokesperson

Ms Gaye Taylor, Supporter

Mrs Margaret Carroll, Member

Mr Cesar Di Carlo, Supporter

Mr Frank De Iacovo, Spokesperson

Mr Les & Mrs Jenny Tenni (Private capacity)

Dr Geoffrey Stocker (Private capacity)

Department of Transport and Regional Services

Mr Peter Yuile, Deputy Secretary

Dr Gary Dolman, Assistant Secretary, Regional Communities Branch

Mr Bill De Jong, Acting Assistant Secretary, Regional Operations Branch

Thursday 23 June 2005 – Canberra, ACT

The Hon Robert Katter MP, Member for Kennedy

Mr Peter McDade (Private capacity)

Tuesday 28 June 2005 – Armidale, NSW**The University of New England**

Professor Victor Minichiello, Executive Dean, Faculty of Education, Health and Professional Studies

Professor John Pegg, Director, The National Centre of Science, Information and Communication Technology, and Mathematics Education for Rural and Regional Australia (SiMERR)

Wednesday 29 June 2005 – Tamworth, NSW**Tamworth Regional Council**

Mr Glenn Inglis, General Manager

Cr James Treloar, Mayor

Mr Peter Botfield (Private capacity)

New England North West ACC

Mr Kevin Humphries, Chair

Ms Rebel Thomson, Executive Officer

Thursday 30 June – Launceston, Tas

Seahorse World Pty Ltd

Mr William Morris, Director

Ms Georgina Wylde, General Manager

Links Golf Tasmania Pty Ltd

Mr Greg Ramsay, Director

Dial Regional Sports Club

Mr Stan Kaine

Mentor Resources Ltd

Mr Bruce Maddock, Chief Executive Officer

Tasmanian Employment Advisory Council ACC

Mr David Rowell, Chair

Ms Sheryl Thomas, Executive Officer

Cradle Coast Authority SRAC

Mr Roger Jaensch, Executive Chair

Ms Karen Hampton, Executive Officer

Waratah-Wynyard Council

Cr Roger Chalk AM, Mayor

Devonport City Council

Cr Peter Hollister, Mayor

Thursday 14 July – Port Hedland, WA

North West Dive Safaris

Mr Richard Edwards, Director (via teleconference)

AquaCarotene Ltd

Mr Donald Smith, Director (via teleconference)

East Pilbara Shire Council

Mr Allen Cooper, Chief Executive Officer (via teleconference)

Ms Lynne Craigie, Shire President

The Cove Caravan Park

Mr Charles Van Herk, Director
Mrs Irene Van Herk, Director/Secretary

Wangka Maya Pilbara Aboriginal Language Centre

Ms Fran Haintz, Manager
Mr Bruce Thomas, Chair

Pilbara Area Consultative Committee

Mr Tony Ford, Chair
Mr Cameron Simpkins, Executive Officer

Friday 15 July – Broome, WA**Kimberley Land Council**

Mr Wayne Bergmann, Executive Director

Kimberley Interpreting Service

Ms Lesley Baxter, Coordinator

Mrs Carol Martin MLA, Member for Kimberley

Indigenous Stock Exchange (via teleconference)

Mr Peter Botsman, Voluntary Secretary

**Kimberley Area Consultative Committee/ Kimberley Sustainable Region
Advisory Committee**

Mr Geoffrey Haerewa, Chair
Mr John Durant, Executive Officer

Monday 18 July – Bunbury, WA**Augusta Community Development Association Inc**

Mr Owen Jones, Chair
Mr Cameron Gilmour, Deputy Chair

Foodbank South West

Mr Ross M Ranson, Chair
Mr Kent Machar, Volunteer Manager

West Coast Electro Fishing Pty Ltd

Mr Raymond Anderson, Director

In Town Centre Inc

Ms Geraldine Webster, Secretary and Volunteer

South West Area Consultative Committee

Mr Paul Vukelic, Chair
Mr Graham Hodgson, Executive Director

Thursday 11 August – Canberra, ACT

Atherton Shire Council (via teleconference)

Mr Jim Chapman, Mayor (Atherton Tablelands Sustainable Region Advisory Committee member)

Eacham Shire Council (via teleconference)

Mr Ray Byrnes, Mayor (ATSRAC member)
Mr Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Herberton Shire Council (via teleconference)

Cr Anne Portess, Mayor (ATSRAC member)
Mr Gordon Malcolm, Chief Executive Officer

Central Ranges Natural Gas and Telecommunications Association Incorporated

Ms Margaret Thomas, Chair

Central Ranges Natural Gas Pipeline Pty Ltd

Mr David Adam, Managing Director

Friday 12 August – Canberra, ACT

Department of Transport and Regional Services

Dr Gary Dolman, General Manager, Regional Partnerships and Networks
Ms Karen Gosling, Acting Executive Director, Regional Services Business Division
Ms Leslie Riggs, Former Executive Director, Regional Services

Wednesday 17 August – Canberra, ACT

Australian Public Service Commission

Ms Lynelle Briggs, Australian Public Service Commissioner

Department of Transport and Regional Services

Dr Gary Dolman, General Manager, Regional Partnerships and Networks
Ms Karen Gosling, Acting Executive Director, Regional Services Business Division
Ms Leslie Riggs, Former Executive Director, Regional Services

Thursday 15 September – Canberra, ACT

Mr Matthew Kelley, Director, Primary Energy Pty Ltd
Mr Joseph Carmody, Partner, Baker & McKenzie

Site Inspections

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Site inspection of Tumbi Creek

Tuesday 28 June 2005 – Armidale, NSW

Site inspection of The National Centre of Science, Information and Communication Technology, and Mathematics Education for Rural and Regional Australia (SiMERR)

Monday 18 July – Bunbury, WA

Site inspections of the Karnet Prison Vocational Integration program at EG Green and Sons Pty Ltd Harvey Beef abattoir and the In Town Centre

