



NSW GOVERNMENT

Department of Planning

Record of Minister's opinion for the purposes of Clause 6(1) of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Major Projects) 2005

I, the Director-General of the Department of Planning, as delegate of the Minister for Planning under delegation executed on 31 October 2005, have formed the opinion that the development described in the Schedule below is development of a kind that is described in Schedule 1 of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Major Projects) 2005, namely Clause 6 Petroleum - development for the purpose of drilling and operation of petroleum wells (including associated pipelines) where the principal resource sought is coal seam methane and that is in the local government areas of Camden, Campbelltown and Wollondilly - and is thus declared to be a project to which Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* applies for the purpose of section 75B of that Act.

Declaration of this project excludes the aspects of the development described in Schedule 2 below.

Schedule 1

The proposed expansion of Stage 2 of the Camden Gas Project, which includes:

- drilling and construction of new coal seam methane well fields in areas identified as Spring Farm, Menangle Park, Mount Gilead and Kay Park Stage II;
- drilling of new wells from the pads of existing wells in existing well fields, to access additional gas resources;
- drilling of infill wells (with associated infrastructure including gas gathering and water pipelines and access roads) in existing well fields, where the gas reserve is not able to be accessed from existing well head locations;
- subsequent production and transportation of gas from the new well sites to the Rosalind Park Gas Treatment Plant; and
- post-development operational activities including upgrading of existing gas gathering lines, the installation of in-field compression, and refraccing of existing and new wells.

Schedule 2

- Drilling of core or stratigraphic holes;
- geophysical exploration (including seismic exploration); and
- related activities.

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Sam Haddad
Director-General

Delegate of the Minister for Planning

Date: 14. 11. 2006.