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MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

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**STATEMENT THAT A PROPOSAL MAY BE IMPLEMENTED
(PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986)**

**CONSTRUCTION OF RESERVOIR IN WATER SUPPLY RESERVE 34537
AND ASSOCIATED PIPEWORK THROUGH NEERABUP NATIONAL PARK,
WANNEROO (827)**

WATER AUTHORITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

This proposal may be implemented subject to the following conditions:

1 Proponent Commitments

The proponent has made a number of environmental management commitments in order to protect the environment.

- 1-1 In implementing the proposal, the proponent shall fulfil the commitments made in the Consultative Environmental Review and in response to issues raised following public submissions; provided that the commitments are not inconsistent with the conditions or procedures contained in this statement. These commitments are included in Environmental Protection Authority Bulletin 747 as Appendix 1. (A copy of the commitments is attached.)

2 Implementation

Changes to the proposal which are not substantial may be carried out with the approval of the Minister for the Environment.

- 2-1 Subject to these conditions, the manner of detailed implementation of the proposal shall conform in substance with that set out in any designs, specifications, plans or other technical material submitted by the proponent to the Environmental Protection Authority with the proposal. Where, in the course of that detailed implementation, the proponent seeks to change those designs, specifications, plans or other technical material in any way that the Minister for the Environment determines on the advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, is not substantial, those changes may be effected.

3 Flora Management

- 3-1 The proponent shall ensure that clearing of vegetation is minimised.
- 3-2 To achieve the objective of condition 3-1, prior to the commencement of clearing, the proponent shall liaise with the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Conservation and Land Management.
- 3-3 The proponent shall prepare the rehabilitation programme (referred to in commitment 1), which shall include an implementation timetable, to the requirements of the Department of Environmental Protection on advice of the Department of Conservation and Land Management.

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4 Proponent

These conditions legally apply to the nominated proponent.

- 4-1 No transfer of ownership, control or management of the project which would give rise to a need for the replacement of the proponent shall take place until the Minister for the Environment has advised the proponent that approval has been given for the nomination of a replacement proponent. Any request for the exercise of that power of the Minister shall be accompanied by a copy of this statement endorsed with an undertaking by the proposed replacement proponent to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement.

5 Time Limit on Approval

The environmental approval for the proposal is limited.

- 5-1 If the proponent has not substantially commenced the project within five years of the date of this statement, then the approval to implement the proposal as granted in this statement shall lapse and be void. The Minister for the Environment shall determine any question as to whether the project has been substantially commenced. Any application to extend the period of five years referred to in this condition shall be made before the expiration of that period, to the Minister for the Environment by way of a request for a change in the condition under Section 46 of the Environmental Protection Act. (On expiration of the five year period, further consideration of the proposal can only occur following a new referral to the Environmental Protection Authority.)

6 Compliance Auditing

In order to ensure that environmental conditions and commitments are met, an audit system is required.

- 6-1 To help verify environmental performance, the proponent shall prepare periodic Progress and Compliance Reports in consultation with the Department of Environmental Protection.

Procedure

- 1 The Department of Environmental Protection is responsible for verifying compliance with the conditions contained in this statement, with the exception of conditions stating that the proponent shall meet the requirements of either the Minister for the Environment or any other government agency.
- 2 If the Department of Environmental Protection, other government agency or proponent is in dispute concerning compliance with the conditions contained in this statement, that dispute will be determined by the Minister for the Environment.


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Proponent's Environmental Management Commitments

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AMENDED SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS BY THE WATER AUTHORITY

The Water Authority will undertake the following commitments:

- 1 Rehabilitate those areas within Water Reserve 134537, and the Neerabup National Park cleared for the investigation and construction of the project by the Water Authority, which are:
 - Rehabilitation of the tracks created for the geotechnical investigation and which lie outside the reservoir area
 - more than 15 metres from the pond roof lines or to the top of the outside embankment slope;
 - more than 3 metres either side of the pond security fence
 - more than 3 metres outside the sump fence lines
 - more than 3 metres outside the pipeline access track or furthest pipeline from the fence;
 - more than 4 metres outside the main access road in Water Reserve 134537.Rehabilitation will be carried out using local species in accordance with programme developed in conjunction with CALM. These will be carried out as soon as practicable after the construction of earthworks, protected from vehicular damage during subsequent construction work, and will include some of the cleared vegetation back onto the cleared tracks created for the geotechnical investigation. A comprehensive rehabilitation plan linking clearing rehabilitation and top-soil stripping will be developed in consultation with CALM.
- 2 Consult with CALM before clearing commences on the need to save and relocate certain plants which may be deemed practical and worthwhile saving from clearing.
- 3 In conjunction with CALM establish prior to commencement of earthwork external sources of suitable granular material that is free of Jarrah die-back infection. The Water Authority will only import materials from these source(s).
- 4 In conjunction with CALM, develop prior to commencement of clearing a jarrah die back prevention management plan and to put into effect procedures to prevent introduction of the infection during and after the construction.
- 5 An agreement will be made with CALM for the management of the unfenced areas of Water Reserve 34537 and the pipeline corridor within the Neerabup National Park including annual fire breaks as an integral part of the Neerabup National Park management plan.
- 6 All services such as power lines, pipeowrks, burried valves, flowmeters and valve and meter pits will be installed underground. This work will be carried out during the construction phase. Top of the pits will be at about 300mm above finished ground level and fitted with safety rails or cover.
- 7 Liaise with the Wanneroo City Council prior to commencement of earthworks construction to establish an acceptable arrangement for vehicular traffic access from Burns Beach Road to the reservoir site.
- 8 The roof and wall cladding and accessories for the reservoir roof will be constructed of steel in either "Mist Green" or "River Gum" finish.
- 9 Except for the fenced off areas for the pond and sump, Water Reserve 134537 will be left accessible by the public on foot.
- 10 Boom gates will be installed to secure the Reserve from public vehicles. Gate keys will be made available to CALM.