

**DETERMINATION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION
UNDER SECTION 80 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT
ACT 1979**

I, the Minister for Planning, under Section 80 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, determine the development application referred to in Schedule 1 by refusing development consent.

The reasons for refusing development consent are:

- (a) a justifiable demand does not exist for landfill, pursuant to clause 12(a) of *State Environmental Planning Policy No 48 – Major Putrescible Landfill Sites*;
- (b) in the absence of justifiable demand, the proposal does not offer benefits that would outweigh residual environment and amenity impacts; and
- (c) the public interest.

Andrew Refshauge MP
Minister for Planning

Sydney

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File N/9800252

SCHEDULE 1

Application made by:	Thiess Environmental Services Pty Ltd (“the Applicant”)
To:	The Minister for Planning (“the Minister”)
In Respect of:	Lot 1211 in DP 878458 and Lot 3 in DP 776382.
For the Following:	Development of the Ravensworth Waste Management Centre.
Development Application:	Development Application 108-04-00 lodged with the Minister on 5 April 2000 accompanied by an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared by HLA-Envirosciences (2000); supplementary Appendices 5 and 6 to the EIS dated 4 September 2001; and a supplementary report entitled “Assessment Report on the Need for Additional Disposal Capacity for the Sydney Region”, prepared by SCS-Wetherill Environmental, dated August 2001.
Determination:	Section 97 of the Act confers on an Applicant who is dissatisfied with the determination of a Consent Authority a right of appeal to the Land and Environment Court exercisable within 12 months after receipt of notice.