

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT 1979

**APPROVAL UNDER SECTION 115B(2) IN RELATION TO
THE 330 kV UNDERGROUND ELECTRICITY CABLE - PICNIC POINT TO THE
HAYMARKET**

I, the Minister for Planning after:

1. examining and considering various matters including the:
 - a) environmental impact of the 330 kV Underground Electricity Cable - Picnic Point to the Haymarket under Section 111 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*;
 - b) environmental impact statement (EIS) for the 330 kV Underground Electricity Cable-Picnic Point to Haymarket dated January 2001 prepared for TransGrid by EDAW and PERRAM & PARTNERS;
 - c) representations made in respect to the exhibition of the EIS for the 330 kV Underground Electricity Cable - Picnic Point to the Haymarket;
 - d) Representations Report from TransGrid dated July, 2001; and
 - e) report from the Director-General of the Department of Planning dated January 2002 in respect of the EIS for the 330 kV Underground Electricity Cable - Picnic Point to the Haymarket; and
2. after consulting and considering the matters raised by the Minister for Information Technology, Minister for Energy, Minister for Forestry, and Minister for Western Sydney, and pursuant to Section 115B(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, give approval for TransGrid to carry out the proposal subject to the conditions stated in Schedule 1 to this approval. The reasons for the imposition of these conditions are set out in a report entitled "Proposed Underground Electricity Cable – Picnic Point to Haymarket - Director-General's Report".

Dated this 21st day of March, 2002.

Andrew Refshauge MP
Deputy Premier
Minister for Planning
Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
Minister for Housing