

# Major Projects application



NSW GOVERNMENT  
Department of Planning

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Project Application No. 06-0286

## 1. Before you lodge

This form is required to apply for the approval of the Minister to carry out a Project to which Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* (the Act) applies.

Before lodging this application, it is recommended that you first consult with the Department of Planning (the Department) concerning your Project.

Please be aware that you may need to conduct a Planning Focus Meeting before lodging this application involving the Department, relevant agencies, Council or other groups identified by the Department. If you are required to conduct a Planning Focus Meeting, you will need to provide details and outcomes arising from the meeting.

To ensure that your application is accepted as being duly made, you must

- complete ALL parts of this form, and
- submit all relevant information required by this form.

**All applications must be lodged with the Director-General, by courier or mail.**

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## 2. Details of the proponent

Company/organisation/agency

ABN

Hunter Energy Pty Ltd

29105784281

Mr  Ms  Mrs  Dr  Other

First name

Matthew

Family name

Somers

STREET ADDRESS

Unit/street no.

106

Street name

King Street

Suburb or town

Sydney

State

NSW

Postcode

2001

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'as above'

Suburb or town

State

Postcode

Daytime telephone

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(02) 92336599

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### 3. Identify the land you propose to develop

#### STREET ADDRESS

Unit/street no.

Street or property name

Suburb, town or locality

Postcode

Local government area

#### REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

OR: detailed description of land attached:

The real property description is found on a map of the land or on the title documents for the land. If you are unsure of the real property description, you should contact the Department of Lands.

Please ensure that you place a slash (/) to distinguish between the lot, section, DP and strata numbers. If the Major Project applies to more than one piece of land, please use a comma to distinguish between each real property description.

**Where the Major Project is subject to Clause 8F of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000* and in lieu of completing the above, a description or detailed plan of the land affected must be included with the documents required with Part 4 below.**

### 4. Proposed Major Project – Description and other Requirements

Provide a brief title for your Project that includes all significant components. If the application relates to only part of a Project, include a clear title that describes the relevant part.

Queensland Hunter Gas Pipeline.

Construction of a \$700m high pressure gas transmission pipeline stretching 850kms from the Wallumbilla Gus Hub (Qld) and connecting into the Sydney to Newcastle pipeline at Hexham (NSW). In NSW the pipeline will pass through the Local Government Areas of Moree Plains, Narrabri, Gunnedah, Liverpool Plains, Upper Hunter, Muswellbrook, Singleton, Maitland, Cessnock and Newcastle. The pipeline easement will be located within existing energy and transport corridors, such as Travelling Stock Routes, wherever practical. Gas will be able to be transported at a volume in excess of 100 petajoules thus supporting industrial, commercial and residential development along its route as well as securing supply into the Sydney basin. This application seeks the consent of the NSW Minister of Planning for the section of pipeline within NSW (NSW border near Boomi to Hexham). Consent for the section of pipeline in Queensland is being sought from the Queensland Government.

Is the application related only to a part of a Project?  Yes  No

**You are also required to provide a Project Description Report and address any matters required by the Director-General in accordance with 75E of the Act. Failure to do so may lead to your application being rejected.**

Is a Project Description attached:

Hard copy:  Yes  No

Electronic version:  Yes  No

(NB: An electronic copy is required as all applications must be provided on the Department's website. You should contact the Department on the correct electronic format).

Is the Project Description Report consistent with the requirements of any Guideline produced by the Department (including any draft)?  Yes  No

Does the Project Description Report include additional matters required by the Director-General, such as evidence of a Planning Focus Meeting and consultation?  Yes  No

**CONCEPT APPROVAL**

If you are applying for a **concept approval**, the Department's *Concept Approval Guideline* should be consulted and the matters identified therein must be addressed as part of your application.

Does the Project Description Report submitted address the relevant guidelines for Concept Approvals?  
 Yes  No

**FULL TIME EQUIVALENT JOBS**

Please indicate the number of jobs created by the proposed Major Project. This should be expressed as a proportion of full time jobs over a full year.

Construction jobs (full-time equivalent)

800

Operational jobs (full-time equivalent)

150

## 5. Approvals from state agencies

Does the proposed Major Project require any of the following: (tick all appropriate)

- an aquaculture permit under section 144 of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994*
- an approval under section 15 of the *Mine Subsidence Compensation Act 1961*
- a mining lease under the *Mining Act 1992*
- a production lease under the *Petroleum (Onshore) Act 1991*
- an environment protection licence under Chapter 3 of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* (for any of the purposes referred to in section 43 of that Act)
- a consent under section 138 of the *Roads Act 1993*

## 2. Application fee

You are required to pay a fee for the assessment of a Major Project. This fee is based on the estimated cost of the Major Project.

The Department requires that you pay a proportion of the total fee with this application and you should consult with the Department before lodging this application to determine the proportion to be paid.

Estimated Project Cost

\$700 million

## 7. Owner's Consent

As the owner(s) of the above property, I/we consent to this application being made on our behalf by the Proponent:

Signature

Signature

Name

Name

Date

Date

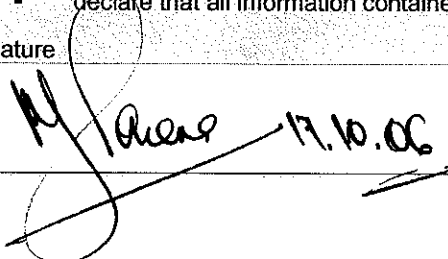
Note: The Department will not accept an application for a Major Project without having the signature of the owner of the land, unless the Major Project is subject to Clause 8F of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*.

## 8. Proponent's Signatures

As the proponent(s) of the proposed Major Project and in signing below, I/we hereby:

- provide a description of the proposed Project and address all matters required by the Director-General pursuant to Section 75E of the Act, and
- apply, subject to satisfying Clause 8D of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000*, for the Director-General Environmental Assessment Requirements pursuant to Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, and
- declare that all information contained within this application is accurate at the time of signing.

Signature

 17.10.06

In what capacity are you signing if you are not the proponent

Name

Matthew Somers

Name, if you are not the proponent

Date