DETERMINATION OF A DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FOR STATE SIGNIFICANT AND INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT UNDER SECTION 80 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979

I, the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning, under section 80 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* ("the Act"), determine the development application ("the Application") referred to in Schedule 1 by refusing development consent.

The reasons for refusal are:

- (a) The proposed development has no justification to proceed due to development application DA-478-12-2002-i being refused;
- (b) The proposed development results in unacceptable environmental impacts for a development which has no benefits;
- (c) Development without justification is not orderly and appropriate development;
- (d) The proposal is not in the public interest.

Craig Knowles MP
Minister for Infrastructure and Planning

Sydney, 4 May, 2004 File No. S00/01625

SCHEDULE 1

Development Application: DA-480-12-2002-i;

Applicant: Energy Australia;

Consent Authority: The Minister for Infrastructure and Planning;

Land: Described in Schedule 2

Proposed Development:To provide connection between the National Electricity Grid and the Redbank 2 Power Plant

proposal, including:

- Construction of a new 132 kV transmission lines from the Redbank 2 Power Plant to connect with existing feeder 953, which runs between Redbank 1 and Kurri Kurri, just north of the Putty Road;
- Uprating of the 132 kV transmission line know as existing feeder 953 which runs between Redbank 1 and Kurri Kurri. Feeder 953 would be maintained as a 132 kV transmission line;
- Replacement of the overhead earth wire between the Kurri substation and the VAW

substation, with optical ground wire (OPGW) conductor to enable improved communications between substations to be implemented.

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 the date on which the Applicant received notice.