COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION ACT 1999

DECISION ON ASSESSMENT APPROACH

I, ROBERT MURRAY HILL, Minister for the Environment and Heritage, hereby decide under section 87 of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 that the approach that must be used for assessment of the relevant impacts of the proposed action described in the Schedule is assessment by an accredited assessment process, as set out in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

The proposed action involves the construction and operation by Burnett Water Pty Ltd of a major water storage on the Burnett River near Paradise, 80 km south west of Bundaberg in Queensland, including associated water extraction (EPBC 2001/422).

The accredited assessment process is the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process for which Division 3 of Part 4 of the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971(Qld) and Part 5 of the State Development and Public Works Organisation Regulation 1999 (Qld) provide.

Dated this 3, 1 day of Sin tem 5 2001

MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE