Request to the Planning Assessment Commission Stage 3 of the Camden Gas Project

Section 23D(1)(b)(ii) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
Clauses 268R(1)(a) and 268V of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000.

I, the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure request the Planning Assessment Commission to:

- 1. Carry out a review of Stage 3 of the Camden Gas Project, and:
 - a) consider the Environmental Assessment of the project, any submissions received on the project, the response to submissions, the amended development application for the project, and any other relevant information;
 - b) assess the merits of the project as a whole, paying particular attention to:
 - the surface and groundwater impacts of the project, including the potential impacts of any hydraulic fracturing;
 - any potential land use conflicts between the project and existing and future urban development in the area and/or the values of the Scenic Hills area; and
 - any other potentially significant impacts of the project; and
 - c) recommend appropriate measures to avoid, minimise and/or offset these impacts.
- 2. Conduct public hearings during the review.
- Submit its final report on the review to the Department within 3 months of the end of the formal public
 exhibition period for the amended development application for the project, unless the Director-General
 of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure agrees otherwise.

Hon Brad Hazzard MP

Minister for Planning & Infrastructure

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