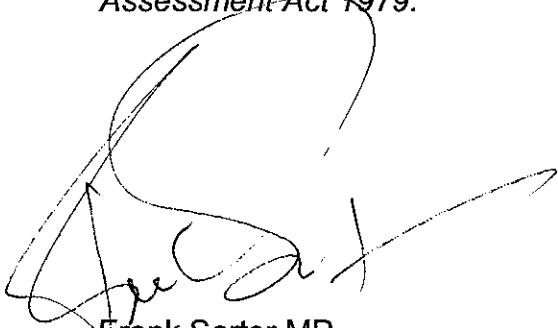


**DECLARATION OF A CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT UNDER SECTION 75C OF
THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT 1979**

I, the Minister for Planning, having formed the opinion that the projects referred to in the Schedule are essential for the State for economic and social reasons, declare those projects to be a critical infrastructure projects under section 75C of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.



Frank Sartor MP
Minister for Planning

Sydney,  2006

SCHEDULE 1

Each of the following borefields projects, as described in correspondence from the Sydney Catchment Authority to the Minister for Planning, dated 9 November 2006:

- 1) the Kangaloon borefields project within the Upper Nepean Catchment;
- 2) the Leonay-Emu Plains borefields project within the Lapstone Monocline Area; and
- 3) the Wallacia borefields project within the Lapstone Monocline Area

Development for all associated or ancillary works, activities, uses, structures or facilities for the purposes of each borefields project, including (but not limited to) works, activities, uses, structures or facilities for the following:

- a) installation of groundwater bores and groundwater extraction systems;
 - b) underground and surface pipes, pumps and associated infrastructure for the transfer of extracted groundwater;
 - c) discharge of extracted groundwater into watercourses in the Upper Nepean River System;
 - d) construction of electricity and utility service infrastructure;
 - e) installation of monitoring bores and gauging stations.
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