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Report of the EIA Subcommittee: the 6th Meeting on 3 October 1994

The Subcommittee considered two EIA study reports at the meeting on 3 October 1994.

Initial EIA Study for North West New Territories Refuse Transfer Station

2. Members considered the Initial EIA study for the Refuse Transfer Station (RTS) in North West New Territories. This RTS forms a part of the Territory's waste disposal strategy. The project will be implemented as a "Design-Build-and-Operate" (DBO) contract. The findings and recommendations of the IEIA will be incorporated into the tender documents.

3. Members accepted the IEIA conclusions that all environmental issues of concern are controllable to within established guidelines, provided that the recommended measures are adopted. The successful tenderer will be required to carry out a detailed EIA study on the selected design, and implement all mitigation measures and recommendations identified. A comprehensive set of environmental monitoring, audit and performance requirements will also be incorporated into the tender documents for implementation.

4. The detailed EIA report will be circulated to the committee members for information when it is ready. The report will not be discussed unless it is considered necessary. Members noted and accepted that there will be advance works before completion of the detailed EIA report.

5. Members agreed to recommend the report to the Council for endorsement.

EIA Study of the Redeveloped Tsing Yi Terminal of the China Resources Petroleum & Chemicals Co Ltd (CRPC) - Operation Phase

6. The CRPC currently operates two oil terminals on Tsing Yi Island, one at the northeast and the other at the southeast of the island. The Tsing Yi Development Review recommended a merging of the two terminals for an extended operation in

southeast Tsing Yi so that it is more compatible with the surrounding land uses. CRPC has carried out the EIA for the proposed project in two phases. The EIA on the construction phase was completed and endorsed in September 1993 with site formation work completed by early 1994. The current EIA covers the environmental impacts associated with the operation of the expanded facility.

7. Members accepted the conclusion of the report that the environmental impacts associated with the proposed operation of the extended CRPC Oil Terminal can be kept within established standards and guidelines. CRPC will incorporate all recommended mitigation measures in its design and will develop stringent monitoring requirements and management procedures.

8. Members agreed to recommend the report to the Council for endorsement.

Advice Sought

9. Members of the Council are requested to endorse the recommendations of the Subcommittee.

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