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Water Act 2000

WATER AMENDMENT REGULATION (No. 3) 2003

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1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Water Amendment Regulation* (No. 3) 2003.

2 Regulation amended

This regulation amends the *Water Regulation 2002*.

3 Amendment of s 3A (Prohibition on taking or interfering with water—Act, s 23)

(1) Section 3A(1)—

omit, insert—

- '(1) Under section 23(2)(c) of the Act, holders of interim water allocations are prohibited from taking water for irrigation purposes from the following—
 - (a) Yabba Creek from Borumba Dam to the creek's junction with the Mary River;
 - (b) the Mary River between its junction with Yabba Creek and AMTD 180 km;
 - (c) Calico, McIntosh, Pie and Eel Creeks.'.
 - (2) Section 3A(2)(b)(i), 'a water entitlement'—

omit, insert—

'an interim water allocation'.

(3) Section 3A—

insert—

'(3) Also, subsection (1) does not apply if there is at least 10 500 ML in Borumba Dam.'.

4 Amendment of pt 2, div 1A (Implementing water resource plans)

Part 2, division 1A—

renumber as part 2, division 1B.

5 Insertion of new pt 2, div 1A

Part 2, before division 1B, as renumbered by this regulation—

insert—

'Division 1A—Water planning

'3D Requirement for land and water management plan—Act, s 73

'For section 73(1A)(b) of the Act, the time is—

- (a) the next year after the year the person used the water received under a seasonal water assignment; or
- (b) the year after the next year.'.

6 Amendment of s 8 (Transferring interim water allocation to other land—Act, s 195)

(1) Section 8(2)(d), 'to take water' to 'in relation to'—

omit, insert—

'to take water in relation to'.

(2) Section 8(2)(e), 'transferee's'—
omit.

7 Amendment of s 9 (Application for approval to transfer interim water allocation)

(1) Section 9(4)(a), 'document' to 'under'—

omit, insert—

'document under'.

(2) Section 9(4)(b), 'is held' to 'given notice'—

omit, insert—

'is held has been given notice'.

(3) Section 9(4)—

insert—

'(ca) evidence of the existence of a supply contract between the proposed transferee and the interim resource operations licence holder;'.

(4) Section 9(4)(ca) and (d)—

renumber as section 9(4)(d) and (e).

(5) Section 9(5)—

omit.

8 Replacement of ss 10 to 13

Sections 10 to 13—

omit, insert—

'10 Deciding application for approval

- '(1) In deciding whether to grant the application mentioned in section 9, the chief executive must have regard to the following—
 - (a) the effect of the proposed transfer on the sustainability of land and water resources in the area; and
 - (b) the purpose for which the proposed transferee intends to use the allocation; and
 - (c) any other matter the chief executive considers appropriate.
- '(2) After considering the matters mentioned in subsection (1), the chief executive may—
 - (a) refuse to approve the proposed transfer; or
 - (b) approve the proposed transfer with or without conditions.

'11 Decision to refuse to approve proposed transfer

- '(1) The chief executive must refuse to approve the proposed transfer if the proposed transferee does not intend to apply the water allocation for a purpose mentioned, for the water supply scheme, in schedule 3, column 2.
- '(2) If the chief executive decides to refuse to approve the proposed transfer, the chief executive must, within 10 business days—
 - (a) give the proposed transferor and the proposed transferee an information notice for the decision to refuse; and

(b) give the interim resource operations licence holder notice of the decision.

'12 Decision to approve proposed transfer without conditions

'If the chief executive decides to approve the proposed transfer without conditions, the chief executive must, within 10 business days, give the proposed transferor, the proposed transferee and the interim resource operations licence holder notice of the decision.

'13 Decision to approve proposed transfer with conditions

- '(1) If the chief executive decides to approve the proposed transfer with conditions, the chief executive must, within 10 business days—
 - (a) give the proposed transferee an information notice for the decision to approve the proposed transfer with conditions; and
 - (b) give the proposed transferor and the interim resource operations licence holder notice of the decision.
- '(2) The conditions the chief executive may impose include a condition that the interim water allocation is to be adjusted to avoid a negative effect on the sustainability of land and water resources.

'13A Approval under section 13

- '(1) If a proposed transferee given an approval under section 13 intends to proceed with the transfer, the proposed transferee must give the chief executive notice in the approved form.
 - '(2) The notice must be given—
 - (a) if the proposed transferee appeals against the decision—within 30 business days after the appeal is finally decided; or
 - (b) otherwise—within 30 business days after receiving the information notice under section 13(1)(a).

'13B Completion of transfer of interim water allocation

- '(1) This section applies if the chief executive—
 - (a) approves the proposed transfer under section 12; or

- (b) receives a notice under section 13A(1).
- '(2) The chief executive may require the proposed transferor or the proposed transferee to return to the chief executive documents under which interim water allocations are held.
- '(3) The chief executive must cancel or amend existing interim water allocations, or issue new interim water allocations necessary to give effect to the transfer—
 - (a) if the chief executive has requested the return of documents under subsection (2)—within 30 business days after the return of the documents; or
 - (b) otherwise, within 30 business days after the chief executive—
 - (i) gives notice under section 12; or
 - (ii) receives a notice under section 13A(1).'.
- 9 Amendment of s 14 (Entities—Act, ss 206 and 213)

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Section 14 '206(4)(e) and 213(e)(v)'—

omit, insert—

'206(4)(f) and 213(e)(vi)'.
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10 Amendment of s 18 (Classes of licence—Act, s 299)

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Section 18(2), 'including' to '150 mm'—
omit.
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- 11 Amendment of s 23 (Conditions of water bore driller's licence—Act, s 302)
 - **(1)** Section 23(1)—

insert—

- '(ca) for a class 1 licence—the licence holder must not drill bores with an internal bore casing diameter of more than 150 mm;'.
- (2) Section 23(1)(ca) and (d) renumber as section 23(1)(d) and (e).
- (3) Section 23—

insert-

- '(3) The holder of a class 1 licence, who has drilled 10 bores, may apply to amend the licence by removing the condition mentioned in subsection (1)(d).
- '(4) The chief executive may amend the licence to remove the condition only if the licence holder gives the chief executive a copy of the records, kept by the holder under section 313 of the Act, about the 10 bores.'.

12 Amendment of s 50 (Excavating in a watercourse, lake or spring—Act, s 814)

Section 50—

insert-

'(d) the Brisbane City Council Guideline for Riverine Protection for Excavating up to 500 m³ in a Watercourse or Lake by the Brisbane City Council.¹'.

13 Replacement of s 55 (Water declared to be water in a watercourse—Act, s 1006(2))

Section 55—

omit, insert—

'55 Water declared to be water in a watercourse—Act, s 1006(2)

The following water is declared to be water in a watercourse—

- (a) water in an aquifer under the bed or banks of the Kolan River, between AMTD 14.5 km and AMTD 76.4 km, to a depth of 10 m below the bed of the river;
- (b) water in an alluvial aquifer under the bed or banks of the Burnett River, between AMTD 25.9 km and AMTD 333.9 km, to a depth of 10 m below the bed of the river;
- (c) water in an alluvial aquifer under the bed or banks of the Boyne River, between AMTD 0 km and AMTD 86.7 km, to a depth of 10 m below the bed of the river;

¹ Copies of the guideline may be obtained from the department's head office in Brisbane.

(d) water in an alluvial aquifer under the bed or banks of the Nogo River, between AMTD 0 km and AMTD 23 km, to a depth of 10 m below the bed of the river.'

14 Amendment of s 57 (Changing boundaries of water management areas)

Section 57—
insert—

'(3) However, subsection (2) does not apply to a change made under a resource operations plan.'.

15 Replacement of s 62 (Code for self-assessable development—Act, s 1014)

Section 62—
omit. insert—

'62 Code for self-assessable development—Act, s 1014

'The following codes² are approved for carrying out self-assessable development that is operational work mentioned in the *Integrated Planning Act 1997*, schedule 8, part 2—

- (a) for item 9A(a)—the Self-assessable Code for the Development of Riparian Water Access Works on a Watercourse, Lake or Spring;
- (b) for item 9A(b)(ii) in relation to operations mentioned in the *Water Resource (Barron) Plan 2002*—the Code for Self-assessable Development of Bores Identified in a Water Resource Plan as Self-assessable.'.

16 Amendment of s 63 (Fees)

Section 63—
insert—

² Copies of the codes are available on the department's website.

- '(2) The fee paid on lodgment of an instrument in the registry is forfeited if the instrument is rejected by the registry for failure to comply with a requisition.
- '(3) The fee payable on re-lodgment of an instrument is half the fee stated in schedule 16 for lodgment of the instrument.
- '(4) A fee is not payable for the lodgment and registration of an instrument of transfer of a water allocation to, or acquisition or lease of a water allocation by, the State.'.

17 Insertion of new s 69A

Part 7, division 1—

insert—

'69A Conditions of class 1 water bore driller's licence—Act, 302

'A class 1 water bore driller's licence in existence immediately before the commencement of this section is taken—

- (a) to include the condition mentioned in section 23(1)(d); and
- (b) not to include the limitation mentioned in section 18(2) immediately before the commencement of this section.'.

18 Insertion of new s 74A

Part 7, division 5—

insert—

'74A Application for approval to transfer interim water allocation

'An application under section 9, made before the commencement of this section, must be dealt with under sections 9 to 13 as in force immediately before the commencement of this section.'.

19 Amendment of sch 2 (Entities—Act, sections 190, 193, 206 and 213)

Schedule 2—
insert—

'4. Hampton Irrigators Pty Ltd ACN 064 888 633

- **5.** Laroboe Pty Ltd ACN 011 058 763
- **6.** Revaw Pty Ltd ACN 052 096 401'.

20 Amendment of sch 7 (Drainage rates)

Schedule 7, item for Emerald drainage area, '\$4.20'—

omit, insert—

'\$4.33'.

21 Replacement of sch 11 (Subartesian areas)

Schedule 11—
omit, insert—

'SCHEDULE 11

'SUBARTESIAN AREAS

section 70

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Area and plan	Licence not required	Works not assessable
Bluewater subartesian area on plan AP 10053	_	_
Bowen subartesian area on plan AP 10055	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Bundaberg subartesian area on plan AP 10062		
Burdekin subartesian area on plan AP 10054	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes

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Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Area and plan	Licence not required	Works not assessable
Cairns Coast subartesian area on plan AP 12070	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Callide subartesian area on plan AP 10059	domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Cattle Creek subartesian area on plan AP 10060	domestic purposes	domestic purposes
Clarendon subartesian area on plan AP 10066	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Cook subartesian area on plan AP 10049	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Cressbrook Creek subartesian area on plan AP 10064	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Duck Farm subartesian area on plan AP 10049	_	_
Eastern Downs subartesian area on plan AP 12069 sheets 29 to 34	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Farnborough subartesian area on plan AP 10058	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Fitzroy subartesian area on plan AP 10068	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Fraser Island subartesian area on plan AP 10063	domestic purposes	domestic purposes

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Area and plan	Licence not required	Works not assessable
Great Artesian Basin subartesian area on plan AP 12069 sheets 1 to 32	stock purposes from subartesian aquifers not connected to artesian aquifers domestic purposes	_
Highlands subartesian area on plan AP 10070	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Monto subartesian area on plan AP 10061	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Moreton Island subartesian area on plan AP 10065	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Mossman subartesian area on plan AP 10050	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Mount Isa subartesian area on plan AP 12069 sheets 1 to 9	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
North Stradbroke Island subartesian area on plan AP 10067	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Pioneer subartesian area on plan AP 10057	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes
Proserpine subartesian area on plan AP 10056	stock or domestic purposes	stock or domestic purposes'.

22 Replacement of sch 14 (Water charges)

Schedule 14—

omit, insert—

s 22

'SCHEDULE 14

'WATER CHARGES

section 58

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Water management area	Date water year ends	Water charges
Barker–Barambah Creeks water management area	30 June	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre
Barron River–Emerald Creek water management area	30 June	Water harvesting— (a) from Tinaroo Falls Dam or Barron River—\$3 for each megalitre (b) from Emerald Creek above AMTD 14.300—\$3 for each megalitre (c) from any other watercourse—\$3 for each megalitre
Border Rivers groundwater management area	30 September	Minimum charge—\$94.10 Part A—\$1.05 Part B—\$0.70
Bowen–Broken Rivers water management area	30 June	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre
Bowen groundwater management area	31 December	Minimum charge—\$93.05 Part A—nil Part B—\$4.40
Boyne River water management area	30 June	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Water management area	Date water year ends	Water charges
Bundaberg groundwater	30 June	Minimum charge—\$95.15
management area		Water from Gooburrum and Woongarra districts— (a) part A—\$3.35 (b) part B—\$4.35
		Water from Barns district— (a) part A—nil (b) part B—\$1.35
Burdekin River groundwater management area	30 June	Minimum charge—\$93.60 For each water licence to take groundwater for which a bore has been installed— (a) with a nominal entitlement of not more than 25 ML—\$93.60 (b) with a nominal entitlement of more than 25 ML—\$423.10
Callide Valley groundwater	30 June	Minimum charge for groundwater—\$94.10
management area (non-benefitted)		For taking groundwater—\$1.15 for each megalitre of announced entitlement
Central Lockyer water management area	30 June	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre
Chinchilla Weir water management area	31 August	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre

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Gowrie-Oakey

Creek water management area

30 June

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Water management area	Date water year ends	Water charges
Condamine groundwater management area	30 June	Minimum charge—\$95.15 Part A—\$1.05 Part B—\$1.05
Condamine River and Sandy Creek water management area	30 June	Water harvesting from Sandy Creek or Condamine River including North Branch—\$3 for each megalitre
Cressbrook Creek water management area	30 June	Minimum charge—\$94.10 Part A—nil Part B—\$1.25
Dawson River water management area	30 September	Water harvesting from Dawson River and Glebe Wei reservoir—\$3 for each megalitre
Dumaresq River water management area	30 September	Water from a watercourse flowing from Glenlyon Dam— (a) part A—\$7.20 (b) part B—\$8.85
		Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre
Fitzroy River	30 June	Minimum charge—\$191.35
Barrage water management area		Water from Fitzroy River— (a) part A—\$10 (b) \$3 for each megalitre
		Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre

\$74 for each water meter

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Water management area	Date water year ends	Water charges
Logan River water management area	30 June	Water harvesting from Burnett Creek or Logan River—\$3 for each megalitre
Lower Balonne water management area	30 June	Water harvesting— (a) from a supplemented section of the Thuraggi watercourse or Thuraggi diversion channel—\$3 for each megalitre (b) from Beardmore Dam or from any watercourse downstream of Beardmore Dam to the Queensland/New South Wales border—\$3 for each megalitre
Lower Burnett and Kolan Rivers water management area	30 June	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre
Lower Lockyer water management area	30 April	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre
Macintyre Brook water management area	30 September	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre
Nogoa Mackenzie water management area	30 June	Water harvesting from Lake Maraboon or Nogoa River or Mackenzie River to the junction with Springton Creek—\$3 for each megalitre
Oakey Creek groundwater management area	30 June	\$84.60 for each water meter

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Water management area	Date water year ends	Water charges
Pioneer River water management area	30 June	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre
Three Moon Creek water management area	30 June	Water harvesting—\$3 for each megalitre
Upper Burnett and Nogo Rivers water management area	30 June	Water harvesting from Nogo River or Burnett River—\$3 for each megalitre
Upper Hodgson Creek groundwater management area	30 June	\$84.60 for each water meter
Warrill Valley water management area	30 June	Water harvesting— (a) from Reynolds Creek, Warrill Creek from its junction with Reynolds Creek or Bremer River from the junction of Warrill Creek downstream to Berry's Lagoon—\$3 for each megalitre (b) from Black Gully, Kent's Lagoon, Normanby Gully, West Branch, Waroolaba Creek or the Upper Warrill systems—\$3 for each megalitre'.

23 Replacement of sch 16 (Fees)

Schedule 16—

omit, insert—

'SCHEDULE 16

'FEES

		section 63
		\$
1.	Application for approval of land and water management plan (Act, s 74(3)(c))—	
	(a) approving a previously approved plan, if paragraph (b) does not apply	53.25
	for a different or additional irrigation method	106.50
	(c) approving a new plan	159.70
2.	Application for deferral of requirement for approved land and water management plan (Act, s 79(2)(c))	106.50
3.	Application to amalgamate water allocations or subdivide a water allocation (Act, s 128A(2)(b))	77.40
4.	Application to change a water allocation (Act, ss 129(3) and 130(3)(d))—	
	(a) if the application is made with an application to amalgamate water allocations or subdivide a water	NIL
	allocation	NIL
	(i) for 1 application	77.40
_	(ii) for each additional application made at the same time	15.50
5.	Application by water allocation holder for seasonal water assignment (Act, s 142(2)(c))	103.20
6.	Creating, on request, a title or a separate title for a water allocation (other than under the Act, ss 121 or 122) (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))—for each title created	43.15
7.	Lodging in the registry an instrument that changes ownership of a water allocation or an interest in a water allocation (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))—	45.15

		\$
	(a) if lodgment is with an instrument changing ownership of a lot or an interest in a lot—for each water	
	allocation	21.50
	(b) otherwise—	100.00
	(i) for 1 water allocation	100.00 21.50
8.	Lodging in the registry a certificate approving amalgamation of water allocations or subdivision of a	100.00
9.	water allocation (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 128A(7)) Lodging in the registry a certificate about a change to a	100.00
7•	water allocation (Act, ss 148(2)(d), 129(6) and 135(1))—	
	(a) if the lodgment is with a certificate approving an	
	amalgamation or subdivision (Act, s 128A(7))	NIL
10.	(b) otherwise	100.00
10.	satisfaction of a writ of execution (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and	
	150(1))	21.50
11.	Lodging in the registry an instrument received through	
	the post, by courier service or by document exchange service (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))—additional fee for	
	each instrument	21.50
12.	Lodging a standard terms document in the registry (Act,	
10	ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))	NIL
13.	Lodging in the registry a request to remove from the title of a water allocation a lease that has expired or otherwise	
	ended (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))	NIL
14.	Lodging in the registry a request to note the lapsing of a	
	caveat (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))	NIL
15.	Lodging any other instrument in the registry (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))	100.00
16.	Depositing in, or withdrawing from, the registry a settlement notice (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))	21.50
17.	Depositing in, or removing from, the registry an	
	administrative advice (Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))	10.70
18.	Preparing and serving, by the registry, of a caveat notice	21.55
19.	(Act, ss 148(2)(d) and 150(1))	21.55
17.	(a) of a title for a water allocation generated—	

		\$
	(i) within the registry	10.75 8.60
	(i) within the registry	16.15 14.00
20.	Optical disk print-out (Act, s 148(2)(d))— (a) of a title for a water allocation generated—	
	(i) within the registry	10.75 8.60
	(b) of another instrument lodged or deposited in the registry	21.55
21.	Search, in the registry, of a statement of a registered dealing or administrative advice against a title (Act,	2.15
22.	s 153)	2.15
	(a) if no additional computer programming time is required—for each hour or part of an hour(b) if additional computer programming time is required—for each hour or part of an hour	43.15 107.95
23.	Certifying, by the registrar, of a copy of the title of a water allocation or a registered instrument (Act, s 148(2)(d))	21.55
24.	Requisitioning a document lodged for registration (Act, s 148(2)(d))	26.95
25.	Application to transfer interim water allocation (Act, s 193)	227.00
26.	Application for approval to transfer interim water allocation to other land (Act, s 195)—	
	(a) for 1 application	227.00
27.	Application to replace interim water allocation	50.00
28.	(Act, s $198(4)(b)$)	77.40 77.40

		\$
29.	Application to reinstate expired water licence	
	(Act, s 221(2)(b))	77.40
30.	Application to amalgamate water licences	
	(Act, s 224(2)(b))	77.40
31.	Application to subdivide water licence (Act, s 225(2)(b))	77.40
32.	Application to replace water licence on disposal of land	
	to which expired licence related (Act, s 229(4)(b))	77.40
33.	Application by licensee of a water licence for seasonal	
	water assignment (Act, s 231(2)(c))	103.20
34.	Application for allocation of quarry material	
	(Act, s 280(2)(c))—for each 6 month period, or part of a	106.20
25	6 month period, the allocation notice has effect	106.20
35.	Application to renew allocation notice (Act, s 289(2)(b)).	106.20
36.	Application for water bore driller's licence (Act, s 299(2)(e))—for 5 years	348.80
37.	Application to amend water bore driller's licence	340.00
37.	(Act, s 304)	103.20
38.	Application to renew water bore driller's licence	100.20
	(Act, s 308(2)(c))—for 5 years	335.40
39.	Application for operations licence (Act, s 328(2)(d))	77.40
40.	Water licence fee (Act, s 1014(2)(a))—for each year of	
	the licence period	50.00
41.	Testing a water meter (Act, s 1014(2)(d))—for each hour	45.00
42.	Reading a water meter (Act, s 1014(2)(d))—	
	(a) for 1 water meter	50.00
	(b) for each additional water meter on the same or an	
	adjacent property	10.00
43.	Development application (Integrated Planning Act 1997,	
	ss 3.2.1(4)(b) and 3.3.3(1)(c)) for any of the following—	
	(a) operational work for the taking of, or interfering	
	with water—	
	(i) if the application is made with an application	NIII
	for a water licence	NIL
	(ii) otherwise	77.40
	(b) the removal of quarry material	77.40

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` ′ 1	erational work in a drainage and embankment	
are	ea controlling the flow of water into or out of a	
wa	tercourse, lake or spring	77.40
(d) op	erational work—	
(i)	that is the construction of a referable dam	77.40
(ii)	that will increase the storage capacity of a	
(11)	referable dam by more than 10%	77.40
(e) de	velopment in a declared catchment area	77.40

24 Amendment of sch 17 (Dictionary)

(1) Schedule 17, definitions "proposed transferor's land", "transferee's allocation" and "water entitlement document"—

omit.

(2) Schedule 17—

insert—

"settlement notice" means a settlement notice under the *Land Title Act 1994*, part 7A.

"standard terms document" see the Land Title Act 1994, section 168.

ENDNOTES

- 1. Made by the Governor in Council on 29 May 2003.
- 2. Notified in the gazette on 30 May 2003.
- 3. Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
- 4. The administering agency is the Department of Natural Resources and Mines.