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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

By Authority Jean Gordon Government Printer Melbourne

State Environment Protection Policy Amendment (The Air Environment)

State Environment Protection Policies are made under section 16 of the Environment Protection Act 1970.

The State Environment Protection Policy (The Air Environment) sets out the Government's objectives for controlling wastes emitted to the air environment.

Schedules F, G and H of the policy specify requirements and limits for various sources of emissions and types of waste.

This amendment seeks to provide some flexibility in the application of these schedules, where strict application may increase the amount of waste generated in some other part of the process. This would not be for the overall good of the environment.

Noted by the Administrator in Council, 18 July

KATHY OUZOUNIS Acting Clerk of the Executive Council

Environment Protection Act 1970 AMENDMENT TO THE STATE **ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION POLICY**

(The Air Environment)

The Administrator in Council makes the following amendment to the Policy under section 16 of the Act:

New Clause

31A The Authority may in considering licences and works approvals, exempt a scheduled premises from compliance with any requirement of schedules F, G and H where the proponent of the works or licensee can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Authority:

- (a) that compliance with the requirement would increase or create waste disposal problems in either the land, air or water environments; or
- (b) that compliance with the requirement would preclude the development of innovative control or energy saving technologies; or
- (c) that compliance with a requirement contained in schedules G and H cannot be achieved by the application of reasonably available control technology;
- (d) that the discharge or emission does not cause the maximum ground level concentrations prescribed in schedules B, C and D to be exceeded and does not adversely affect any beneficial use of the environment.

Dated 18 July 1989

Responsible Minister:

T. W. ROPER

Minister for Planning and Environment

KATHY OUZOUNIS Acting Clerk of the Executive Council

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