

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE NO. 5

INQUIRY INTO A SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLY FOR SYDNEY

TERMS OF REFERENCE

That General Purpose Standing Committee No. 5 inquire into and report on a sustainable water supply for Sydney and, in particular:

- a. The environmental impact of the proposed desalination plant at Kurnell
- b. The environmental assessment process associated with the proposed desalination plant
- c. Methods for reducing the use of potable water for domestic, industrial, commercial and agricultural purposes, including sustainable water consumption practices
- d. The costs and benefits of desalination and alternative sources of water including recycled wastewater, groundwater, rainwater tanks and stormwater harvesting
- e. Practices concerning the disposal of trade waste
- f. The tender process and contractual arrangements, including public-private partnerships, in relation to the proposed desalination plant, and
- g. Any other relevant matter.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr Ian Cohen MLC (Chair) (The Greens) The Hon Rick Colless MLC (Deputy Chair) (The Nationals) The Hon Greg Donnelly MLC (Australian Labor Party) The Hon Patricia Forsythe MLC (Liberal Party) Ms Sylvia Hale MLC (*The Greens*) The Hon Peter Primrose MLC (*Australian Labor Party*) The Hon Henry Tsang MLC (*Australian Labor Party*)