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List of acronyms

AEPL	Automotive and Electrical Performance Laboratory
ATS	Accredited Test Services
DMO	Defence Materiel Organisation
DSM	Defence Site Maribyrnong
ECC	Environmental Clearance Certificate
ECL	Electronics and Communications Laboratory
EDF	Explosives Development Facility
ELAF	Enclosed Light Armament Factory
EPBC Act	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act
ESD	Ecologically Sustainable Development
LCS	Land Combat Systems
LEA	Land Engineering Agency
LSD	Land Systems Division
MEL	Mechanical and Environmental Laboratory
POL	Petrols Oils and Lubricants
PWC	Public Works Committee



List of recommendations

3 Issues and Conclusions

Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that the proposed Land Engineering Agency Test Services Relocation, Monegetta proceed at an estimated cost of \$35.9 million