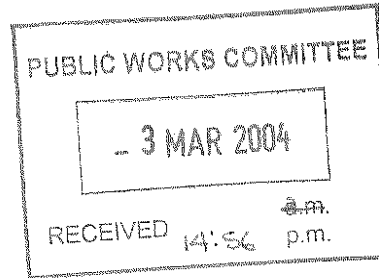


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**DEFENCE RESPONSE TO PWC SUBMISSION FROM MR ROSS McFARLAND,
PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITOR**

1. Thank you for referring a copy of the letter dated 1 March 2004 from Mr McFarland concerning the Randwick Disposal and Rationalisation Project, Interim Works.
2. As the NSW Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) accredited Site Auditor responsible for providing independent third party technical review of the site, Mr McFarland is uniquely placed to provide expert advice to the Committee on these matters. Defence consequently welcomes Mr McFarland's offer to provide evidence to the Committee regarding environmental assessment and remediation.

P. J. HUTCHINSON
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3rd March 2004