

## APPENDIX 4

### DRAFT CRITERIA FOR NATURAL HERITAGE LIST PLACES

1.1 A national heritage place must be of symbolic, exemplary or unique significance to Australia.

1.2 Without limiting the generality of 1.1, the heritage values of a national heritage place will satisfy at least one of the following to the highest degree:

- 1.2.1 the place is of national importance in the past course or present pattern of nature or cultures in Australia;
- 1.2.2 the place has the potential to make a contribution of national importance to the understanding of Australia's history or environment;
- 1.2.3 the place is recognised as being of national importance for its landmark or aesthetic quality, social, spiritual or other cultural associations;
- 1.2.4 the place is a representative example with the principal characteristics of a class of places or environments of national importance to Australia;
- 1.2.5 the place is of national importance as an uncommon aspect of the history, cultures or environments of Australia;
- 1.2.6 the place has special associations with the life or works of a person or group important to Australia;
- 1.2.7 the place demonstrates creative or technical excellence of national importance.

#### **Definitions:**

*Exemplary to Australia* means the place is a typical or illustrative example of a type, pattern or process distinctive of Australia.

*Symbolic to Australia* means the place represents or recalls an object, event, idea or process that is recognised as important by the Australian people.

*Unique to Australia* means the place is the only one of, or the best or last remaining example of a particular type in Australia.

*Heritage Value* has the meaning given by the definition of heritage value in section 528 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* as amended, ie:

*heritage value* of a place included the place's natural and cultural environment having aesthetic, historic, scientific, or social significance, for current and future generations of Australians.

