NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

Planning Act

NOTICE OF AMENDMENT OF NT PLANNING SCHEME PSA06/0001

- I, DELIA PHOEBE LAWRIE, the Minister for Planning and Lands, under section 28(1) of the *Planning Act*, give notice of the following:
- (a) I have amended the NT Planning Scheme by an amendment numbered PSA06/0001;
- (b) copies of the amendment are available for purchase or inspection at the offices of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure at the following locations:

nd November 2006

Ground Floor Cavenagh House, 38 Cavenagh Street, Darwin Level 1 Alice Plaza, corner Todd Mall and Parsons Street, Alice Springs Level 1 Government Centre, 5-7 First Street, Katherine Regional Office, Leichhardt Street, Tennant Creek.

Dated

Minister for Planning and Lands

Note

This amendment relates to the repeal and substitution of the NT Planning Scheme and takes effect on the date this notice is published in the Gazette.

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Section 29 *Planning Act*Reasons for Decision

I have repealed the existing Northern Territory Planning Scheme in its entirety and substituted the new NT Planning Scheme.

The *Planning Act* 1999 determined for the first time that there will be a Northern Territory Planning Scheme. On commencement of that Act all the current planning documentation formed the "Planning Scheme" in the expectation that it would be revised and rationalised into a consolidated Territory wide Scheme.

In 2000 the former Minister for Lands Planning and Environment, Tim Baldwin initiated the consolidation of the NT Planning Scheme into a single cohesive document. The preliminary draft was released for discussion in 2000-2001. In 2003 the then Minister for Lands and Planning, Kon Vatskalis released a discussion paper addressing shortfalls of the *Planning Act 1999* and a proposal to rationalise the Planning Scheme. The draft and preliminary draft were each the subject of extensive consultation with other government agencies, the community and industry and were generally well received.

As a result of the feedback received from the seventy five submissions, the exhibited Scheme has been altered to accommodate concerns with certain issues. The alterations are considered to be not so significant or extensive to warrant re-exhibition.

DELIA PHOEBE LAWRIE

Minister for Planning and Lands

22/11/2006