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**Radiation Protection and Control (Transport of
Radioactive Substances) Regulations 2003
APPROVED**

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TO: THE PREMIER FOR CABINET FOR CABINET SUBCOMMITTEE

RE: RADIATION PROTECTION AND CONTROL (TRANSPORT OF RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES) REGULATIONS 2003

1. PROPOSAL

- 1.1 To seek Cabinet approval to forward the attached Radiation Protection and Control (Transport of Radioactive Substances) Regulations 2003 (Attachment 1), under the Radiation Protection and Control Act 1982, that incorporates the new national Code of Practice for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material (2001), to Her Excellency the Governor in Executive Council.
- 1.2 The Regulations are to come into operation on the day on which they are made.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 On 7 April 2003, Cabinet approved a proposal to remake the *Radiation Protection and Control (Transport of Radioactive Substances) Regulations 1991*, under the *Radiation Protection and Control Act 1982*, in order to adopt the *Code of Practice for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material (2001)*. Drafting instructions were forwarded to Parliamentary Counsel to prepare the draft Regulations.
- 2.2 On 24 October 2003, the draft *Radiation Protection and Control (Transport of Radioactive Substances) Regulations 2003*, prepared by Parliamentary Counsel, were endorsed by the statutory Radiation Protection Committee. This Committee is comprised of experts on radiation safety, and one of its functions is to advise the Minister for Environment and Conservation on the making of Regulations under the Act.

3 DISCUSSION

- 3.1 The *Radiation Protection and Control (Transport of Radioactive Substances) Regulations 2003* will replace the existing *Radiation Protection and Control (Transport of Radioactive Substances) Regulations 1991*. Regulatory controls on the transport of radioactive material are essential for safety and minimisation of risks associated with the packaging, handling, interim storage and conveyance of radioactive material.

3.2 The Regulations will enable adoption of the provisions of the national *Code of Practice for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material (2001)* into South Australian radiation protection legislation. This will result in enhanced protection of the people and the environment of South Australia, and achieve uniformity with national and international requirements for the transport of radioactive substances.

3.3 Other Implications and Impacts

The economic, financial and budget implications and impacts of the making of the regulation, and the State development, social, environmental, small business, regulatory and family impacts were considered by Cabinet when it approved the making of the Regulations.

3.4 Executive Council

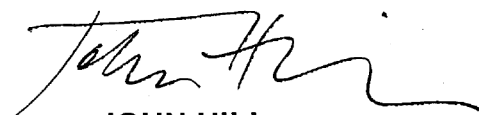
This proposal requires the approval of Her Excellency the Governor in Executive Council.

4 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Cabinet:

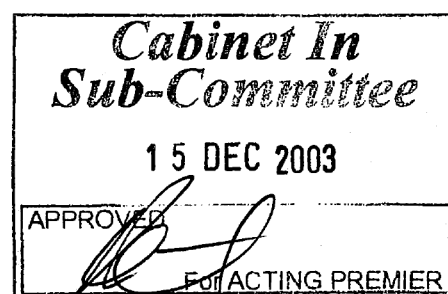
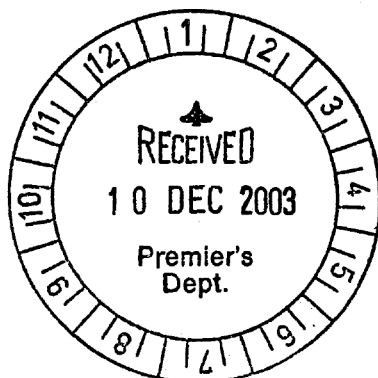
4.1 Approve and refer the attached *Radiation Protection and Control (Transport of Radioactive Substances) Regulations 2003* (Attachment 1), under the *Radiation Protection and Control Act 1982*, that incorporates the new national *Code of Practice for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material (2001)*, to her Excellency the Governor in Executive Council.

4.2 Approve the Regulations are to come into operation on the day on which they are made.



JOHN HILL
MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION

DATE: 8/12/03



ATTACHMENT 1

**RADIATION PROTECTION AND CONTROL (TRANSPORT OF
RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES) REGULATIONS 2003**

Legislation drafted by Parliamentary Counsel

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Exempt clause 10(1) – legal professional privilege