



Proposal to expand The Alcan Gove Alumina Refinery

*Draft Guidelines for the Preparation of an
Environmental Impact Statement*
Public Comment Invited

The Northern Territory Government has received from Alcan Gove Pty Ltd a proposal to expand the Alcan Gove Alumina Refinery near Nhulunbuy on the Gove Peninsula.

To assess the nature and extent of environmental impacts arising from the proposed expansion, the NT Minister for the Environment and Heritage has determined that the proposal should be assessed under the *Environmental Assessment Act* at the level of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Alcan Gove is expected to refer the proposal to the Commonwealth for a determination on whether assessment under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* will be necessary.

Draft Guidelines have been developed for the preparation of the EIS and may be obtained from

Ms Karen Moir of the Office of Environment and Heritage by telephoning (08) 8924 4139. The draft EIS Guidelines will also be available through the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Environment internet site (www.ipe.nt.gov.au/eia)

Interested persons and organisations wishing to comment on the draft EIS Guidelines are invited to make written submissions on or before Tuesday 13 May 2003 to:

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