



QUEENSLAND

## Land and Resources Tribunal

### PRACTICE DIRECTION No. 5 of 2003

#### Objectors' participation in hearings (mining)

1. In applications for mining leases or for additional surface areas of land to be included in mining leases where objections under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* or the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* are involved, the Tribunal recognises that not all objectors desire to fully participate in the hearing process.
2. To accommodate that, the Tribunal is now able to offer objectors 3 options from which to choose their level of participation, as follows.
3. Level 1 objectors would rely upon their notice of objection only and would not attend the hearing.
4. Level 2 objectors, in addition to relying upon their notice of objection, would (a) attend the hearing but not call evidence or cross-examine witnesses, and (b) make submissions at the end of the hearing.
5. Level 3 objectors, in addition to relying upon their notice of objection, would (a) attend the hearing, (b) call evidence and cross-examine witnesses, and (c) make submissions at the end of the hearing.
6. Objectors should notify the Tribunal at or before the first directions hearing in the matter as to whether they desire to be a Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3 objector.

**Gregory J Koppenol**  
**President**  
**30 April 2003**