Part 8

Dealing with decision notices and approvals

Division 1

Changing decision notices and approvals during applicant's appeal period

360 Application of div 1

This division applies only during the applicant's appeal period.

361 Applicant may make representations about decision

- The applicant may make written representations to the assessment manager about—
 - (a) a matter stated in the decision notice, other than a refusal or a matter about which a concurrence agency told the assessment manager under section 287(1) or (5); or
 - (b) the standard conditions applying to a deemed approval.
- (2) However, the applicant can not make representations under subsection (1)(a) about a condition attached to an approval under the direction of the Minister.

362 Assessment manager to consider representations

The assessment manager must consider any representations made to the assessment manager under section 361.

363 Decision about representations

- (1) If the assessment manager agrees with any of the representations about a decision notice or a deemed approval, the assessment manager must give a new decision notice (the *negotiated decision notice*) to—
 - (a) the applicant; and
 - (b) each principal submitter; and
 - (c) each referral agency; and
 - (d) if the assessment manager is not the local government and the development is in a local government area—the local government.
- (2) Before the assessment manager agrees to a change under this section, the assessment manager must consider the matters the assessment manager was required to consider in assessing the application, to the extent the matters are relevant.
- (3) Only 1 negotiated decision notice may be given.
- (4) The negotiated decision notice—
 - (a) must be given within 5 business days after the day the assessment manager agrees with the representations;
 and
 - (b) must comply with section 335; and
 - (c) must state the nature of the changes; and
 - (d) replaces—
 - (i) the decision notice previously given; or
 - (ii) if a decision notice was not previously given and the negotiated decision notice relates to a deemed approval—the standard conditions applying to the deemed approval.

(5) If the assessment manager does not agree with any of the representations, the assessment manager must, within 5 business days after the day the assessment manager decides not to agree with any of the representations, give written notice to the applicant stating the decision about the representations.

364 Giving new notice about charges for infrastructure

- (1) This section applies if the development approved by the negotiated decision notice is different from the development approved in the decision notice or deemed approval in a way that affects the amount of a levied charge.
- (2) The local government may give the applicant a new infrastructure charges notice to replace the original notice.

366 Applicant may suspend applicant's appeal period

- (1) If the applicant needs more time to make the representations, the applicant may, by written notice given to the assessment manager, suspend the applicant's appeal period.
- (2) The applicant may act under subsection (1) only once.
- (3) If the representations are not made within 20 business days after the day written notice was given to the assessment manager, the balance of the applicant's appeal period restarts.
- (4) If the representations are made within 20 business days after the day written notice was given to the assessment manager—
 - (a) if the applicant gives the assessment manager a notice withdrawing the notice under subsection (1)—the balance of the applicant's appeal period restarts the day after the assessment manager receives the notice of withdrawal; or
 - (b) if the assessment manager gives the applicant a notice under section 363(5)—the balance of the applicant's appeal period restarts the day after the applicant receives the notice; or

(c) if the assessment manager gives the applicant a negotiated decision notice—the applicant's appeal period starts again the day after the applicant receives the negotiated decision notice.

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Division 8

Appeals to court relating to development applications and approvals

461 Appeals by applicants

- (1) An applicant for a development application may appeal to the court against any of the following—
 - (a) the refusal, or the refusal in part, of the development application;
 - (b) any condition of a development approval, another matter stated in a development approval and the identification or inclusion of a code under section 242;
 - (c) the decision to give a preliminary approval when a development permit was applied for;
 - (d) the length of a period mentioned in section 341;
 - (e) a deemed refusal of the development application.

- (2) An appeal under subsection (1)(a), (b), (c) or (d) must be started within 20 business days (the *applicant's appeal period*) after—
 - (a) if a decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given—the day the decision notice or negotiated decision notice is given to the applicant; or
 - (b) otherwise—the day a decision notice was required to be given to the applicant.
- (3) An appeal under subsection (1)(e) may be started at any time after the last day a decision on the matter should have been made.

462 Appeals by submitters—general

- A submitter for a development application may appeal to the court only against—
 - (a) the part of the approval relating to the assessment manager's decision about any part of the application requiring impact assessment under section 314; or
 - (b) the part of the approval relating to the assessment manager's decision under section 327.
- (2) To the extent an appeal may be made under subsection (1), the appeal may be against 1 or more of the following—
 - (a) the giving of a development approval;
 - (b) any provision of the approval including—
 - (i) a condition of, or lack of condition for, the approval; or
 - (ii) the length of a period mentioned in section 341 for the approval.
- (3) However, a submitter may not appeal if the submitter—
 - (a) withdraws the submission before the application is decided; or
 - (b) has given the assessment manager a notice under section 339(1)(b)(ii).