ABSTRACTS OF TALKS

VIC/TAS Branch

Luncheon talk to be presented by Nicholas Grollman (Nicholas Grollman & Associates) to PESA VIC/TAS Branch meeting on Wednesday, July 16, 1997

"Pipelines, Power and Prosperity"

This presentation addresses regional energy developments over the next couple of decades, focusing on the different messages conveyed by plans for regional pipelines from Central Asia on the one hand, and more localised international energy cooperation in the Asia-Pacific region on the other. The first is supply-driven and politically risky, the second is resource-constrained and needsdriven. The choice of which option we take has profound implications for energy security and sustainability and, most importantly for PESA members, for the way the Australian petroleum exploration industry positions itself for the future.