

Left to right standing: EPA Board members Stephen Hains, Dr Simon Stone, Allan Holmes, Megan Dyson, Victor Farrington and Dr Paul Vogel.

Seated: EPA Board member Ann Shaw Rungie and Professor Peter Cullen.

Adelaide Thinkers in Residence is a project of the Government of South Australia.

Two or three world-class thinkers are invited to Adelaide each year to live and work. An invitation to appointment as an Adelaide Thinker in Residence is a prestigious award, which recognises both exceptional talent and outstanding leadership.



## Adelaide Thinker in Residence addresses EPA Board

EPA Board members recently had the opportunity to meet Professor Peter Cullen who is in Adelaide as part of the Premier's Thinker in Residence initiative.

The focus of Professor Cullen's residency is 'Water and Sustainable Landscapes for South Australia' – creating sustainable natural resource use through science and social change.

Professor Cullen has been working closely with the South Australian Government and the community, encouraging the sustainable management and use of natural resources.

He has undertaken a range of public, government and media engagements to raise the profile of South Australia nationally as an innovator in the area of landscape sustainability and the efficient use of our water resources.

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## EPA appointments

Keith Baldry has been appointed Director of the Radiation Protection Division. Keith is currently Health Physics Manager for RWE NUKEM, the United Kingdom's largest independent health physics service provider. He will start with the EPA in September.

Dr John Cugley has been appointed Director of the Monitoring and Evaluation Division, and Peter Dolan has been appointed Director of the Pollution Avoidance Division.

## Briefly

The EPA recently contracted CSIRO in Melbourne to conduct a scoping study for determining the feasibility of introducing a real time air quality reporting system for South Australia. The study is expected to be completed by the end of June.

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Plans are being finalised for this year's Round-table stakeholder meeting. The EPA Board and Executive will consult with a smaller group this year to achieve a more focused consultation on fewer and more specific issues. For more information contact Angus Mitchell 8204 1967.

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The South Australian branch of the Waste Management Association of Australia will present a conference titled 'Towards Zero Waste—achievable practical solutions' on June 24 and 25 in Adelaide. The EPA and Zero Waste SA are major sponsors. For details [www.tozerowaste.com.au](http://www.tozerowaste.com.au)

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Murray Bridge council has been convicted and fined \$31,996 for allowing rubbish to blow out of its Brinkley Road waste depot and onto neighbouring farms.

In her sentencing remarks Judge Trenorden said there had been a clear breach of licence conditions, and it had been sometime before Council had acknowledged the breach and the seriousness of it and made an attempt to deal with it.

The offences occurred in 2002 and 2003.



### Board member profile: Dr Simon Stone

Dr Simon Stone is currently consulting to the Aquaculture Industry, is a Director of Thoroughbred Racing SA Inc and serves on a number of Government Advisory Committees related to conservation and wildlife. He has served in a variety of senior management roles within the banking sector, Optus and IBM.

Dr Stone was appointed to the Board for his '*practical knowledge of, and experience in, industry, commerce or economic development*'.

## Environment Protection Policy (EPP) update

### Noise EPP

Currently in South Australia, noise is regulated under the Environment Protection Act by the *Environment Protection (Machine noise) Policy 1994* and the *Environment Protection (Industrial Noise) Policy 1994*. A draft Noise EPP has been prepared and will replace the two existing noise policies.

The draft policy was released for public consultation and a range of submissions were received from community, government and industry stakeholders. The draft policy is now being reviewed and amended following consideration of the submissions.

### Air EPP

The EPA Board has approved the process to review the current *Environment Protection (Air Quality) Policy 1994*.

The EPA is assessing the types of issues, tools and approaches that may be included in a new revised policy. An internal EPA working group is developing the initial concepts for possible inclusion in the draft policy and undertaking consultation with key stakeholders on these concepts.

### Waste EPP

The EPA has begun work to review the current *Environment Protection (Waste Management) Policy 1994*. Since this policy was adopted, there have been significant developments in the waste industry.

## 'Energy Management in Industry and Business' Course

This one-day course run by UniSA on 21 June will provide a comprehensive overview of current energy issues facing business and industry and highlight means of reducing energy costs.

The course is presented by a variety of specialists using an easily understood format designed to suit different skills and backgrounds.

A course brochure and registration form is available by calling Sandra Walker on 8302 0801.

The EPA and Energy SA support this course.

Registrations close 14 June 2004.