



**ERA** Energy Resources of Australia Ltd  
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**COURT ACTION AGAINST ERA**

ERA was fined \$150,000 in the Darwin Magistrate's Court today after having pleaded guilty on 6 May 2005 to charges brought by the Northern Territory Department of Business, Industry and Resource Development under the Mining Management Act.

Two charges related to the incident concerning the connection of the drinking and process water systems at the Ranger uranium processing plant in March 2004 (one of which was dismissed), and one charge related to mobile equipment radiation clearance incidents between November 2003 and March 2004.

ERA Chief Executive, Harry Kenyon-Slaney, said the incidents were deeply regrettable and had resulted in the company's first prosecution in 25 years of operation. "These incidents affected a lot of people, and I would like to apologise again to our employees and to the wider community," he said.

"In conjunction with our regulators we have introduced a wide range of measures designed to prevent incidents of this nature from ever occurring in the future," Mr Kenyon-Slaney said.

"Late last year and early this year we were the subject of three very comprehensive Commonwealth Government audits that looked at how we had implemented recommendations arising from the Supervising Scientist's reports into these incidents. I am pleased to say that we passed each audit successfully."

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