NOTICE TO LODGING PARTIES

LANDS TITLES DIVISION

Colonel Light Centre
25 Pirie Street ADELAIDE 5000

No.84

INSTITUTION OF SURVEYORS SURVEY ACT LEVY

The Survey Act 1992, comes into effect on 1/1/1993. The new legislation will provide for the licensing and registration of surveyors and make provisions relating to surveying of land boundaries.

One of the effects of this legislation is the withdrawal of government from activities relating to the licensing, registration and disciplining of surveyors, and the transfer of these responsibilities to the South Australia Division of the Institution of Surveyors.

In recognition of the costs of meeting this responsibility, the Survey Act provides, at Section 58 that:-

"The Institution of Surveyors may charge a levy of an amount approved by the Minister on each plan certified as correct by a licensed surveyor and lodged in the Lands Titles Registration Office."

The Minister has, on the recommendation of the Institution of Surveyors, agreed that the plan levy be set at \$30.

Only plans requiring the certification of a licensed surveyor shall be subject to the levy, these being:-

- 1 Certified Filed Plans
- 2. Certified Deposited Plans
- 3. Certified Road Plans
- Strata Plans.

Plans not requiring the certification of a licensed surveyor and surveys lodged for information purposes only are exempt from the levy.

The plan levy is payable on all surveys carried out under the provisions of the Survey Act 1992, ie all surveys commenced on or after 1 January 1993. Plans in progress or completed prior to that date will not be subject to the levy.

To assist the Institution of Surveyors with its new responsibilities, I have agreed to collect the \$30 plan levy on their behalf for plans lodged in this Office. The plan levy on Road Plans shall be collected by the Roads Unit of the Surveyor-General's Office.

A stamp has been prepared to add the following to the fee schedule on plan lodgement forms.

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The levy will be payable to the cashiers located on the 1st floor of the Colonel Light Centre. Lodging parties paying by cheque can include the \$30 with the plan lodgement and examination fees.

If the levy is not paid, the surveyor who signed the plan will be requisitioned during the examination process and Plan Deposit delayed until the levy has been paid.

I stress that the \$30 is not a government fee but is to be collected at the request of the Institution of Surveyors to fund activities associated with the licensing and registration of the State's surveyors.

L B KIDD

REGISTRAR-GENERAL

22 December, 1992