

## Section 4: Purchaser/Provider and Cost Recovery Arrangements

### **PURCHASER/PROVIDER ARRANGEMENTS**

These arrangements will be transferred from ATSI to ATSI from 1 July, 2003.

#### **ATSI/Army Community Assistance Program**

The ATSI/Army Community Assistance Program (AACAP) is a cooperative program involving ATSI, the Australian Army and the Department of Health and Ageing, utilising the expertise of the Australian Army to provide vital infrastructure assistance to remote Indigenous communities, with an emphasis on improved environmental and primary health outcomes.

The Australian Army provides project management and construction services under contracted management arrangements to ATSI funded community organisations. The capital elements of these projects are resourced from funds provided by the Department of Health and Ageing and ATSI. The Australian Army absorbs personnel costs, depreciation costs on machinery, fuels, rations and travel funds redirected from already program defence activities and military transport when available. AACAP performance is measured as part of ATSI Outputs Group 3 - *Improvement to Social and Physical Wellbeing*.

ATSI receives funding from the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) under Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) arrangements, for its contribution to the AACAP. ATSI will administer the funds under its Community Housing and Infrastructure Program and report on outputs.

#### **Australian Greenhouse Office (AGO)**

This arrangement is a co-operative program in which the AGO provides funds for the Bushlight renewable energy project administered by ATSI. Due to slower than anticipated implementation of the project, the AGO has agreed that the project be extended into a fifth year (note there is no increase in the overall funding). The project is designed to test and develop renewable energy system components and systems and prepare Indigenous communities (initially with a population of less than 50 people) for the different issues which result from the use of renewable energy. It will link with the Remote Renewable Power Generation Program (RRPGP) run by the States/Territories, which provides rebates for the capital cost of renewable energy installations.

The cost of this project for 2003-04 will be \$2 million.

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**COST RECOVERY ARRANGEMENTS**

AT SIS does not have cost recovery arrangements in place.