

THIS WEEK'S ISSUES

Pluto wins federal approval

■ THE federal government has given approval for Woodside's Pluto gas development in Western Australia to proceed on strict environmental conditions.

The Woodside Pluto development will inject \$17.6 billion into the national economy, including up to 3,000 direct jobs during construction and a further 200 direct jobs and 3,000 indirect jobs during operation, federal Environment Minister Malcolm Turnbull said in a statement.

The development involves the construction of an LNG processing facility on the Burrup Peninsula, with the gas transported onshore via 190 kilometers long pipeline from the Pluto gas field.