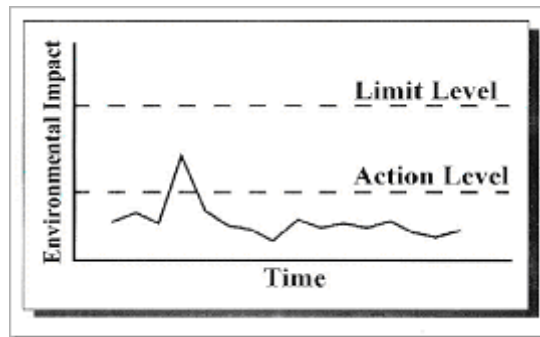


## Reports of Technical Visits / Seminars

### Seminar on the Basic Principles of the EIA Process

Date :	19 November 2003
Topic :	Baseline Monitoring Data - Setting the Stage for EIA and EM&A
Speaker :	Ms Susana Bezy, Atkins China Ltd
Venue :	Conference Room, Atkins China Ltd

#### Summary



On 19 November 2003, Ms. Susana Bezy, Principal Consultant of Atkins China Ltd provided us with an overview of the importance of environmental baseline monitoring and the EM&A process. The presentation included discussions at length on how monitoring duration, quality control, interpretations of the EIA Report/EM&A Manual and budget could influence in the design of the baseline monitoring programme.

The Central Reclamation Phase III Project was used as an example to illustrate how locations of sewage/storm outfall, tidal conditions, and seasonal variations could affect the trend of the baseline data.

Ways to improve the quality of baseline monitoring data, such as inclusion in the EM&A Manual requirements on better quality control for the laboratory analyses and field measurement procedures, were also discussed.

The Institute would like to thank Susana in sharing her valuable experience in planning and implementing a successful baseline monitoring programme and providing the venue to make this a successful event.