



Queensland Planning and Environment Court



Judge ME Rackemann

Thursday, 24th May 2012





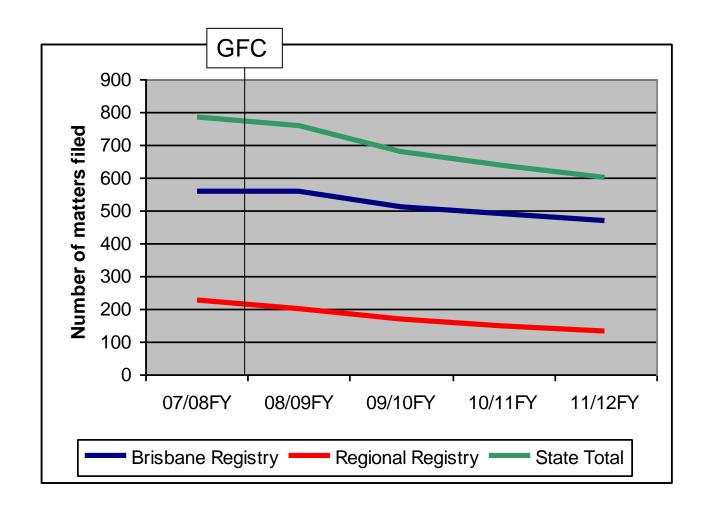
Court Statistics

Note: All 2011/2012 statistics are the Author's projections



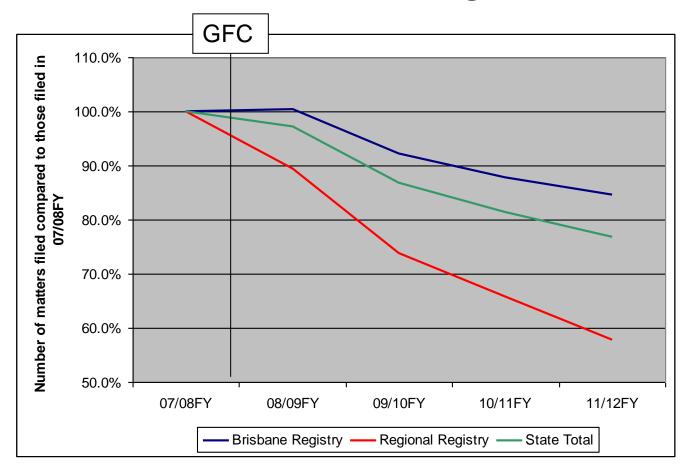








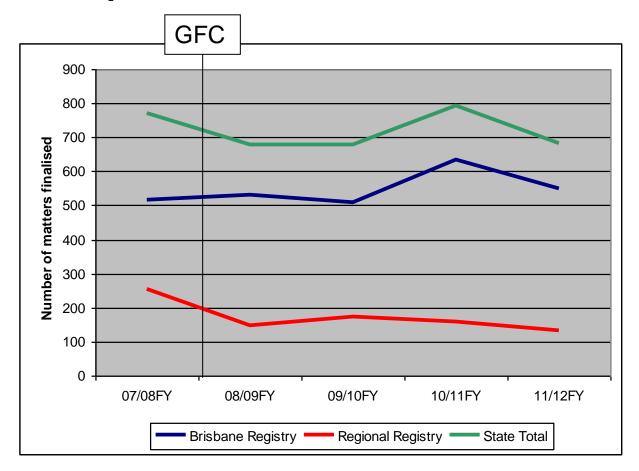
Brisbane affected – Regions belted







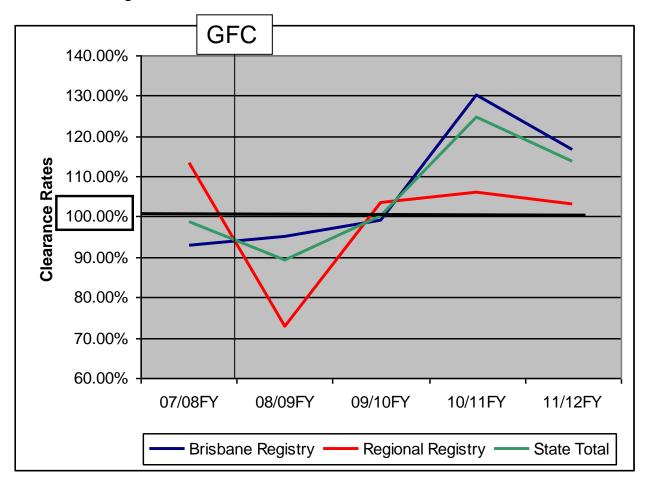
PEC puts Pedal to the Metal







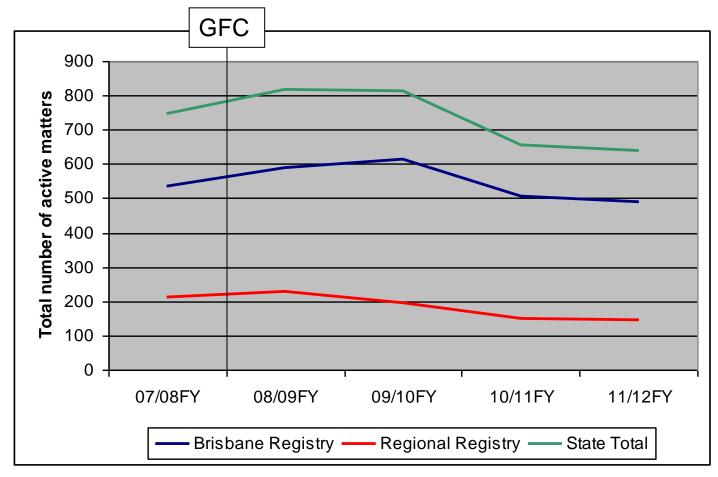
Exceptional Clearance Rates







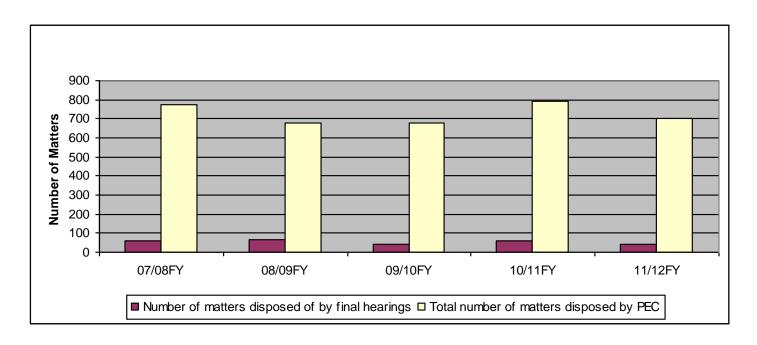
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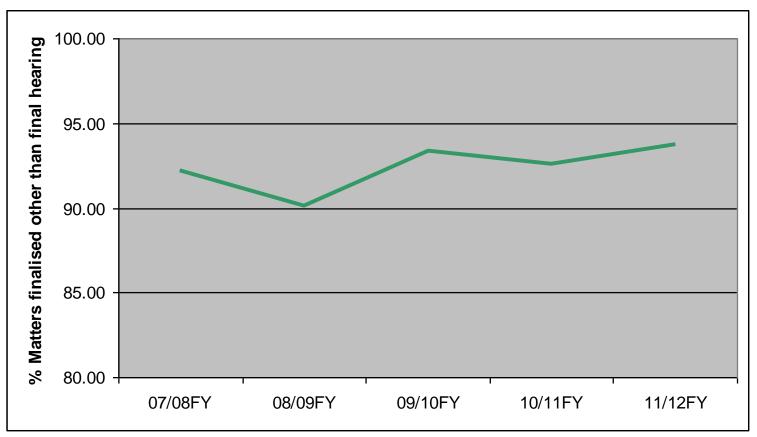
High proportion of matters resolved without contested hearing







Up and up!







The Future: Do you see what I see?







Capacity

- The PEC is in a good position to cope with a potential increase in work from:
 - Economic recovery
 - More jurisdiction





PEC Jurisdiction

Criminal jurisdiction?

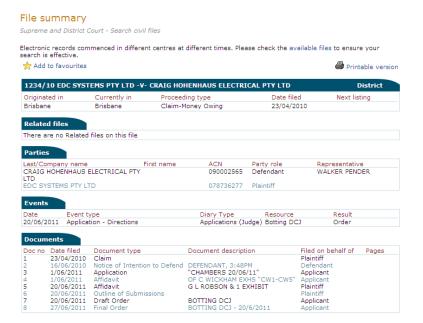
- T Fantin & S Macnaughton, 'Advantages and disadvantages of extending the jurisdiction of the Planning and Environment Court to development and environmental offences' (Paper presented at the QELA Regional Intensive Seminar, 04 November 2011)
- M Hinson SC, 'Remediation Remedies' (Paper presented at the Environmental Law Enforcement Conference, Thames Valley, England, 15 June 2011)
- Judge ME Rackemann, 'The operation of the Criminal Jurisdiction in the field of Environmental Law' (Paper presented at the Environmental Law Enforcement Conference, Thames Valley, England, 15 June 2011)
- S Macnaughton, 'A comparison of compulsory powers under new Queensland legislation and in the UK' (Paper presented at the Environmental Law Enforcement Conference, Thames Valley, England, 14 June 2011)
- Other jurisdiction?





Electronic Future What does it mean?











Procedure

- Issues
- Case Management Conferences
- Tailored disclosure
- Party-led evolution
- Other issues





Questions?

