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INVESTMENT ALLOWANCE : PETROLEUM PRODUCTS PIPELINE

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PREAMBLE Consideration has been given to the question of whether the costs of trenching and backfilling for an underground petroleum products pipeline form part of the capital cost of a pipeline for depreciation purposes and also qualify as "eligible expenditure" for investment allowance purposes.

RULING 2. It is considered that the costs of trenching and backfilling for a petroleum products pipeline would constitute an essential part of the installation cost of an underground pipeline. The view held is that such costs form part of the capital cost of a pipeline for depreciation purposes and qualify as eligible expenditure for purposes of calculating the investment allowance.

COMMISSIONER OF TAXATION