



Department of Primary Industries

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Dear Mr. Mussared

APPROVAL TO PLUG AND ABANDON BAZZARD-1 WELL IN PERMIT VIC/P53

I refer to your email dated 8 October 2008 requesting Designated Authority's approval to plug and abandon the Bazzard-1 exploration well in Permit Vic/P53.

In accordance with the provisions of Regulation 17 (1) of the *Petroleum (Submerged Lands) (Management of Well Operations) Regulations 2004*, I, as Delegate of the Designated Authority, hereby confirm the approval granted by email on 8 October 2008 to plug and abandon the Bazzard-1 exploration well as specified in the Stuart Petroleum Ltd Well Abandonment Programme, Bazzard-1, Document no. 10-02-07-02-01-05-01, Revision 1.

We noted that the required seabed survey was to be carried out to ascertain that the seabed and its surroundings at the Bazzard-1 well site were clear of debris. A copy of the survey (in DVD) should be submitted to the Department of Primary Industries within 28 calendar days of the completion of the P&A operations.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the above, please contact David Wong on (03) 9658 4415.

Yours sincerely

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