



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*

**VARIATION TO DECLARATION OF AN APPROVED WILDLIFE TRADE OPERATION**

I, PENELOPE YING YEN WONG, Minister for Climate Change and Water, hereby vary under subsection 303FT (7b) of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) the Declaration of an Approved Wildlife Trade Operation dated 27 July 2006, and amended 10 December 2007, for the harvesting of specimens that are, or are derived from, fish or invertebrates, other than specimens listed under Part 13 of the EPBC Act, taken in the New South Wales Ocean Trap and Line Fishery, as defined in Schedule 1 of the *New South Wales Fisheries Management Act 1994*:

1. Revoke condition a):  
is valid until 30 June 2008.
2. Include a new condition a):  
is valid until 27 July 2009.
3. Revoke condition b) and the Schedule (December 2007):  
is subject to the conditions applied under section 303FT specified in the December 2007 Schedule.
4. Include a new condition b) and Schedule (dated June 2008):  
is subject to the conditions applied under section 303FT specified in the June 2008 Schedule.

Dated this

26<sup>th</sup>

day of

June

2008

Minister for Climate Change and Water



## SCHEDULE

June 2008

**Declaration of the Harvest Operations of the New South Wales (NSW) Ocean Trap and Line Fishery (OTLF) as an approved Wildlife Trade Operation****ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS (section 303FT)**

Relating to the harvesting of fish specimens that are, or are derived from, fish or invertebrates, other than specimens of species listed under Part 13 of the EPBC Act, taken in the NSW Ocean Trap and Line Fishery.

1. Operation of the fishery will be carried out in accordance with the restricted entry management regime in force under the NSW *Fisheries Management Act 1994*.
2. The NSW Department of Primary Industries (DPI) to advise the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts of any intended amendments to the OTLF management arrangements that may affect the assessment of the fishery against the criteria on which EPBC Act decisions are based.
3. A report to be produced and presented to the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts by 27 March 2009, and to include:
  - a) information sufficient to allow assessment of the progress of NSW DPI in implementing the conditions and recommendations;
  - b) the status of the OTLF performance indicators compared to the trigger points; and
  - c) provide a detailed report which further analyses the information collected as part of the scientific observer program in the line fishing sector and fishery-dependent logbooks on grey nurse shark interactions.
4. NSW DPI, in conjunction with OTLF stakeholders, to continue to develop and implement:
  - a) further measures to cap active effort in the OTLF; and
  - b) a strategy, including effort targets, milestones and associated trigger points, for reducing the level of fishing effort for each sector of the fishery.