



**COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA**

*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*

**Accreditation of a Plan of Management for the Purposes of Part 13**

I, ANDREW MCNEE, Assistant Secretary, Marine Environment Branch, as Delegate of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts, being satisfied that:

- The management regime for the Small Pelagic Fishery in force under the *Fisheries Management Act 1991*, to the extent that the management regime is a plan of management for the Small Pelagic Fishery, requires persons engaged in fishing under the management regime to take all reasonable steps to ensure that members of listed threatened species, listed migratory species, cetaceans and listed marine species are not killed or injured as a result of the fishing; and
- The fishery to which the management regime relates does not, or is not likely to, adversely affect:
  - the survival or recovery in nature of any listed threatened species; or
  - the conservation status of a listed migratory species, cetacean, or listed marine species or a population of that species,

hereby accredit the *Fisheries Management Act 1991*, to the extent that the Act applies to the Small Pelagic Fishery, pursuant to sections 208A, 222A, 245 and 265 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) for the purposes of Divisions 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Part 13 of the EPBC Act.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2007

.....Andrew McNee.....  
Delegate of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts