



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

DECLARATION OF AN APPROVED WILDLIFE TRADE OPERATION

I, ANDREW MCNEE, Assistant Secretary, Marine Environment Branch, as Delegate of the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources, have considered in accordance with section 303FN of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (the EPBC Act) the application from the Fisheries Division of the Department of Primary Industries and Resources, South Australia (PIRSA Fisheries), public comments on the proposal as required under section 303FR, and advice on the ecological sustainability of the operation. I am satisfied on those matters specified in section 303FN of the EPBC Act. I hereby declare the operations for the harvesting of 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 South Australian Scallop and Turbo Fisheries, as defined in the *South Australian Fisheries Act 1982*, the *Fisheries (Scheme of Management – Miscellaneous Fishery) Regulations 2000* and the *Fisheries (General) Regulations 2000*, to be an approved Wildlife Trade Operation, in accordance with section 303FN (2) and (10)(d), for the purposes of the EPBC Act.

Unless amended or revoked, this declaration:

- a) is valid until 12 September 2010 and;
- b) is subject to the conditions applied under section 303FT specified in the Schedule.

Dated this 28 day of September 2007

.....Andrew McNee
Delegate of the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources

SCHEDULE

Declaration of the Harvest Operations of the South Australian Scallop and Turbo Fisheries 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 South Australian Scallop and Turbo Fisheries (STF).

1. Operation of the STF will be carried out in accordance with the *Fisheries (Scheme of Management – Miscellaneous Fishery) Regulations 2000* and the *Fisheries (General) Regulations 2000*, in force under the *South Australian Fisheries Act 1982*.
2. The Fisheries Division of the Department of Primary Industries and Resources, South Australia (PIRSA Fisheries) to inform the Department of the Environment and Water Resources (DEW) of any material change to the STF's management arrangements that could affect the criteria on which the EPBC Act decisions are based, within three months of that change being made.
3. Reports to be produced and presented to DEW annually, and to include:
 - information sufficient to allow assessment of the progress of PIRSA Fisheries in implementing the recommendations made in the *Assessment of the South Australian Scallop and Turbo Fisheries 2007*;
 - a description of the fishery management arrangements in place, recent catch data for all sectors of the STF, status of target stock, interactions with protected species, impacts of the STF on the ecosystem in which they operate and research and monitoring outcomes.

Information need only be provided on those aspects that are relevant to the STF and that articulate “changes” since the last annual report.