

**COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA**

# *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*

**Revocation of Accreditation of a Plan, Regime or Policy for the purposes of Part 13**

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I, GEOFF RICHARDSON, Assistant Secretary, Marine Biodiversity and Biosecurity Branch, as Delegate of the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities:

(a) revoke, under subsection 33(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*, the accreditation of the management regime for the Bass Strait Central Zone Scallop Fishery dated 25 May 2009, and

(b) being satisfied that:

(i) the Bass Strait Central Zone Scallop Fishery Management Plan 2002, in force under the Commonwealth *Fisheries Management Act 1991*, requires persons engaged in fishing under the management plan 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

(ii) the fishery to which the management plan relates does not, or is not likely to, adversely affect:

(a) the survival or recovery in nature of any listed threatened species, or

(b) the conservation status of a listed migratory species, cetacean, or listed marine species or a population of that species,

accredit the Bass Strait Central Zone Scallop Fishery Management Plan 2002 under 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 respectively of Part 13 of the EPBC Act.

# Dated this 8th day of April 2013

..……………Geoff Richardson..……………

Delegate of the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities