

## Acceptance decision

### Petrel-3, Petrel-4 and Tern-2 suspended wells environment plan

This document provides notification of NOPSEMA’s decision made under regulation 10 of the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Environment) Regulations 2009 (Environment Regulations) to accept an environment plan.

### Submission information

<b>Titleholder<sup>1</sup>:</b>	Neptune Energy Bonaparte Pty Limited
<b>Environment plan:</b>	Petrel-3, Petrel-4 and Tern-2 suspended wells
<b>Petroleum title(s)/Application number(s):</b>	NT/RL-1 and WA-27-R
<b>Date first submitted to NOPSEMA:</b>	28/02/2018
<b>Activities type(s)<sup>2</sup>:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any other petroleum-related operations or works carried out under an instrument, authority or consent granted or issued under the OPGGSA</li> </ul>
<b>Activity overview:</b> <i>As described in the accepted environment plan.</i>	<p>The Petrel and Tern fields lie approximately 300 km WSW of Darwin, about 200 km offshore. Within NT/RL-1 and WA-27-R permits, three wells have been identified as suspended but not currently reported with an ‘abandoned’ status. Wellheads remain in-situ at all three wells.</p> <p>No new well activities are planned in either of these permit areas, and no work on the existing wells Petrel 3, Petrel 4 and Tern 2 is required or planned based on outcomes of previous site surveys. However, the presence of these wells during this ‘suspended phase’ is covered within the scope of this EP.</p> <p>To monitor that the status of these wells remains unchanged during this suspended phase, general video inspections (GVI) will be undertaken as part of the Well Operations Management Plan (WOMP). These inspections will be performed within the five-year WOMP “in force” period using suitable ROV deployed from contracted vessels.</p>
<b>Decision:</b>	Accepted
<b>Decision date:</b>	02/01/2019
<b>Decision made by:</b>	Representative of NOPSEMA: Environment Manager - Drilling & Developments



## Basis of decision

NOPSEMA has assessed the environment plan in accordance with its assessment policies and procedures. Having regard to all information provided by, and referred to in the environment plan, NOPSEMA is reasonably satisfied that the environment plan meets the criteria set out in regulation 10A of the Environment Regulations.

## Next steps for the petroleum activity

An environment plan summary must be provided to NOPSEMA within 10 days of this acceptance. regulation 11(4) requires that this document provide material from the accepted environment plan.

Once the summary document has been prepared to NOPSEMA satisfaction it will be published on NOPSEMA's website. NOPSEMA aims to have all environment plan summary documents published within 20 days of acceptance. This timeframe may vary should the document require amendment by the titleholder.

The titleholder is required to notify NOPSEMA 10 days prior to the commencement of the activity. This notification will be published on NOPSEMA's website.

## Titleholder environmental performance requirements

A titleholder is required to undertake a petroleum activity in accordance with the accepted environment plan. It is an offence under the Environment Regulations to act in a manner contrary to the accepted environment plan. A titleholder must submit a revision to the environment plan in response to a new or increased environmental impact or risk, or a significant modification or stage of the activity not provided for in the accepted environment plan.

## How to get further information

If you have any further questions regarding the activity it is suggested you contact the titleholder's nominated liaison person for the activity.

If you would like to access any further information regarding this decision, or would like to contact NOPSEMA please email [environment@nopsema.gov.au](mailto:environment@nopsema.gov.au).

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<sup>1</sup> A titleholder includes an applicant for a petroleum access authority, petroleum special prospecting authority, pipeline licence, greenhouse gas search authority or greenhouse gas special authority under sub-regulation 9(2).

<sup>2</sup> Activity type as listed in the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Regulations 2004