



### **Acceptance decision**

#### **Montara Operations Environment Plan Revision 7**

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**

Titleholder <sup>1</sup> :	PTTEP Australasia (Ashmore Cartier) Pty Ltd
Environment plan:	Montara Operations Environment Plan Revision 7
Petroleum titles:	AC/L7 and AC/L8
Date first submitted to NOPSEMA:	20/09/2017
Activities type(s) <sup>2</sup> :	<ul> <li>Operation of a facility used for the recovery or processing of petroleum</li> <li>Any other petroleum-related operations or works carried out under an instrument, authority or consent granted or issued under the OPGGS Act</li> </ul>
Activity overview: As described in the accepted environment plan.	This Plan applies to all operational activities of the Montara Development Project (MDP). The MDP is located in Commonwealth waters within Production Licences AC/L7 and AC/L8 in the Timor Sea, between Australia and the island of Timor approximately 690 km (373 nm) east of Darwin in a water depth of approximately 77 m (LAT). The MDP includes developing the Montara, Swift, Skua and Swallow fields and operating the developed facilities for commercial production of the oil reserves. Oil will be extracted from production wells in each of the fields and transported in flow lines to the Montara Venture Floating Production, Storage, and Offloading Facility (FPSO) facility via the Montara Well Head Platform (WHP). The scope of activities addressed by this Plan includes commissioning and operation activities associated with the MDP, namely:
	<ul> <li>the physical presence of the FPSO, WHP and support vessels;</li> <li>commissioning and normal production operations, such as hydrocarbon processing, gas re-injection, processing and vessel</li> <li>and helicopter movements;</li> <li>planned maintenance and shutdown, including the FPSO, WHP and flaring;</li> <li>upset and emergency conditions and contingencies;</li> <li>product storage and offtake;</li> <li>general FPSO operations, including waste and discharge management; and</li> <li>rigless well intervention.</li> </ul>
Decision:	Accepted
Decision date:	04/12/2017
Decision made by:	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 <u>environment@nopsema.gov.au</u>.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;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