DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*

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actions determined as NOT requiring approval (*EPBC Act* s.75)

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| **Reference** | **Title** | **Date** |
| 2014/7314 | Regional Power Corporation/Energy generation and supply (non-renewable)/Onslow, Shire of Ashburton, WA/WA/Onslow Power Infrastructure Upgrade Project, Onslow, WA | 03/10/2014 |
| 2014/7265 | Parks Victoria /Natural resources management/Macleod Morass Wildlife Reserve, Gippsland Lakes Ramsar Site, VIC/VIC/Vegetation Management, Macleod Morass Wildlife Reserve, Gippsland Lakes Ramsar Site, VIC | 10/10/2014 |
| 2014/7325 | Mr G.J. McHale and P.J. McHale/Residential development/Ipswich/QLD/Master planned residential community, Ripley Valley, QLD | 10/10/2014 |

DECISION ON APPROVAL (*EPBC Act* s.133)

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| **Reference** | **Title** | **Approval Decision** | **Date** |
| 2013/6837 | Coogee Energy Pty Ltd/Commercial development/Laverton North/VIC/Expansion of the Methanol Plant at 171-181 Fitzgerald Road | Approved with conditions | 14/10/2014 |

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF TIME (*EPBC Act* s.130(4))

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| **Reference** | **Title** | **Extended to** | **Date** |
| 2013/7002 | Yass Valley Wind Farm Pty Limited/Energy generation and supply (renewable)/Yass/NSW/Yass Valley Wind Farm | 13/10/2014 | 24/09/2014 |

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NOTICE OF EXemption from a provision of part 3 (*EPBC Act* section 158(7))

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**Commonwealth of Australia**

**Exemption under section 158 of the**

***Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth)**

I, Greg Hunt, Minister for the Environment, being satisfied that it is in the national interest to do so, exempt, under section 158 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (**EPBC Act**), the State of Western Australia and those acting on behalf of the State of Western Australia, from the application of all of the provisions of Part 3 and from section 74AA of the EPBC Act in relation to the following action:

The deployment of fishing gear in Western Australian state waters to catch a shark posing an imminent threat to public safety as defined in the Western Australian Department of Fisheries *Guidelines for fishing for sharks posing an imminent threat to public safety*, and that is to be monitored throughout their deployment, for up to three (3) days (which includes the date of this notice).

SIGNED

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**Minister for the Environment**

Dated this 2nd day of October 2014

A copy of the Minister’s statement of reasons for this decision is publicly available at the following internet address: http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/notices/exemptions.html