

General Direction – section 574

Date: 5/02/2021

Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006

Direction number: 812

To: Woodside Energy Limited
Mitsui E&P Australia Pty Limited

Issue of Direction – section 574 of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006*

Attached is a written notice of a General direction made under section 574 of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006*.

Please provide written acknowledgement of receipt of this direction within 7 days of this notice.

A person commits an offence if:

- (a) the person is subject to a direction under section 574; and
- (b) the person engages in conduct; and
- (c) the person's conduct breaches the direction.¹

Please provide this office with documented evidence of your compliance with the notice of Direction/s within one month of completion of each Direction.

If you have any questions relating to the content of this Direction, please contact me on 08 6188 8704.

Yours sincerely

Cameron Grebe

Head of Division - Environment

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NOTES: (Please see explanatory statement)

¹ Section 576 of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006 (Cth)*.

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I, Cameron Grebe of the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA), make this direction under section 574 of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006* (the Act) pursuant to a delegation dated 17 December 2020.



Cameron Grebe

Head of Division Environment

National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority

Dated: 5 February 2021

DIRECTION

1. Commencement

This General Direction takes effect on the date of signature.

2. Application

This General Direction applies to Woodside Energy Limited (ACN 005 482 986) and Mitsui E & P Australia Pty Ltd (ACN 108 437 529), the registered holder of WA-28-L.

3. Direction

- (1) The registered holders of WA-28-L are given the Directions contained in Schedule 1.
- (2) Each direction in Schedule 1 is a separate Direction.

Schedule 1 – Directions

Direction 1

To plug or close off, to the satisfaction of NOPSEMA, all wells listed in Schedule 2 of this Direction on or before 30 June 2024.

Direction 2

To remove, or cause to be removed, from the title area all property brought into that area by any person engaged or concerned in the Nganhurra operations authorised by the WA-28-L licence, including but not limited to property listed in Schedule 3 of this direction, on or before 31 December 2024.

Direction 3

To provide, to the satisfaction of NOPSEMA, for the conservation and protection of the natural resources in the licence area on or before 31 December 2025.

Direction 4

To make good, to the satisfaction of NOPSEMA, any damage to the seabed or subsoil in the licence area caused by any person engaged or concerned in those operations on or before 31 December 2025.

Schedule 2 – Wells associated with Nganhurra operations in WA-28-L

Wells	
ENA01	ENB02
ENA02	ENB03
ENA03	ENC01
ENA04	ENC02
ENA05	ENC03
ENE01	ENC04
ENE02	ENC05
ENE03	END01
ENB01	END02

Schedule 3 – Property associated with Nghanhurra operations in WA-28-L

Riser Turret Mooring (RTM)
Anchor Chains 1–9
Production Manifold EDC1
Production Manifold EDC2
Production Manifold EDC3
Production Manifold EDC5
Production flowline with riser 1
Production flowline with riser 2
Production test flowline with riser
Two water re- injection flowlines with risers
Gas injection flowline riser
Five Electro-hydraulic umbilicals
All production, water injection and gas injection subsea well xmas tress

Explanatory Statement - Direction number: 812

Background

This Direction relates to property currently in, and wells drilled in the title area pertaining to Nganhurra offshore operations in production licence WA-28-L. The scope of this direction does not apply to property associated with the Cimatti and Vincent fields located in WA-28-L, or the Pipeline Licence WA-28-PL, which geographically overlaps the production licence.

Production commenced from the Enfield field in WA-28-L through the Nganhurra Floating Production Storage and Offloading (FPSO) facility producing in 2006. Production ceased on 7 November 2018 with the Nganhurra FPSO permanently departing the field on 5 December 2018.

NOPSEMA's records indicate that the property associated with the Nganhurra operations remaining in WA-28-L title area may include, but not be necessarily limited to:

- Six (6) horizontal production wells and two (2) deviated production wells, eight (8) water injection wells and two (2) gas injection wells.
- A flowline and riser system which consists of two (2) 9-inch production flowlines, one (1) 8-inch production test flowline, one (1) 10-inch water re-injection flowline, one (1) 6-inch gas injection flowline and one (1) 6-inch gas lift flowline. There are two (2) production dynamic risers, one (1) test dynamic riser, one (1) water reinjection, one (1) gas lift and one (1) gas reinjection dynamic riser;
- A riser turret mooring (RTM) and anchor system; and
- Subsea structures (manifold, rigid spools, electric and hydraulic jumper and other small structures).

In NOPSEMA's opinion, to date, the registered titleholders have not taken adequate action to remove property pertaining to Nganhurra offshore operations in production licence WA-28-L since production activities ceased in 2018.

NOPSEMA's published Section 572 Maintenance and removal of property policy (PL1903) provides further information on section 572 obligations, including how a titleholder may seek to deviate from the requirement to remove property under section 572(7).

Breach of a direction

Pursuant to section 576 of the Act, if a person is subject to a General Direction under section 574 and the person engages in conduct that breaches that Direction, the person commits an offence or contravention:

- **Fault-based offence** – 5 years imprisonment or 2,000 penalty units, or both (10,000 penalty units for a body corporate).
- **Strict liability offence** – 100 penalty units (500 penalty units for a body corporate).
- **Civil penalty provision** – 525 penalty units (2,625 penalty units for a body corporate).
- **Continuing offences** – a person who commits a fault-based or strict liability offence commits a separate offence in respect for each day during which the offence continues. The maximum penalty for each day that the offence continues is 10% of the maximum penalty that can be imposed in respect to that offence.
- **Continuing contraventions of civil penalty provisions** – a person who contravenes the civil penalty provision commits a separate contravention in respect for each day during which the contravention continues. The maximum civil penalty for each day that the contravention continues is 10% of the maximum civil penalty that can be imposed in respect to that contravention.