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Mr Stuart Smith *MS 08/09*  
Chief Executive Officer  
National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environment Management Authority  
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Dear Mr Smith

Thank you for your invitation to nominate a public official from a Tasmanian Government department for engagement with NOPSEMA in the event of an oil pollution emergency.

The Director of the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has statutory responsibility for the management of oil pollution in Tasmanian waters. The EPA Director is also the State Marine Pollution Controller and Chair of the State Marine Pollution Committee. As such, for all practical purposes, they will need to be in close communication with NOPSEMA in the event of an oil pollution emergency that may impinge on Tasmanian coastal waters.

Accordingly, I nominate the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment (DPIPWE), for the purpose of designating a public official as specified in section 33A of the Commonwealth *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006* (as recently amended), within which the EPA Director is a Deputy Secretary, and Mr Tim Baker is Secretary.

Yours sincerely

The Hon Guy Barnett MP  
Minister for Resources

cc: Mr Wes Ford – Director, Environment Protection Authority (EPA – Tasmania)  
Mr Tim Baker – Secretary, Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment (DPIPWE)