



The Hon. John Barilaro MP
Deputy Premier
Minister for Regional New South Wales
Minister for Industry and Trade

Ref: B21/6079

Mr Stuart Smith
Chief Executive Officer
National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environment Management Authority
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Dear Mr Smith

Re: Nomination of a designated public official for engagement with NOPSEMA in the event of an oil pollution emergency originating in Commonwealth waters

Thank you for your correspondence regarding the above matter. Apologies for the delay in my reply – there was some investigation as to the nomination process, and the appropriate designated public official.

I can confirm that the appropriate NSW agency to engage with NOPSEMA in the event of an oil pollution emergency originating in Commonwealth waters is Transport for NSW (“TfNSW”).

In a practical sense TfNSW hosts, within its NSW Maritime branch, the designated Marine Pollution Controller role under the National Plan for Maritime Environmental Emergencies and staff involved in marine pollution response preparation and action.

For the purposes of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006* (Commonwealth) as the “responsible State/NT Minister” I give you written notice under s.33A that the **designated public official** is the **Transport Secretary**. The Transport Secretary is head of Transport for NSW. This Office is presently held by Mr Rob Sharp.

Transport for NSW is a corporation and NSW Government agency constituted under the *Transport Administration Act 1988* (NSW). While Transport for NSW is not a Department, its head is the Secretary of the (NSW) Department of Transport.

For service of notices and expediency in the event of an oil pollution emergency originating in Commonwealth waters, please contact:

- Mr Rob Sharp, Transport Secretary, Transport for NSW
[REDACTED]
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- Mr Mark Hutchings, Executive Director NSW Maritime and Marine Pollution Controller
[REDACTED]
- Mr Shayne Wilde, Manager Marine Pollution & Emergency Response
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Thank you for taking the time to bring this matter to the Government's attention.

Yours sincerely



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CC:

The Hon Andrew Constance MP Minister for Transport and Roads
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Mr Rob Sharp - Transport Secretary, Transport for NSW
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Mr Gary Barnes - Secretary, Department of Regional New South Wales
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Mr Mark Hutchings, Executive Director NSW Maritime
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