



VARIATION OF A PETROLEUM SAFETY ZONE – NOTICE A1132134 – ESSO AUSTRALIA RESOURCES PTY LTD – VIC/L6 & VIC/L20

Commonwealth of Australia

OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AND GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE ACT 2006

PROHIBITION OF ENTRY INTO A PETROLEUM GAS SAFETY ZONE

I, Chris Bourne, a representative of the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority [NOPSEMA], pursuant to section 616 of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006* (the Act), hereby prohibit all vessels other than vessels under the control of Esso Australia Resources Pty Ltd and vessels operated by **authorised persons** who are exercising powers under Division 5 of Part 6.6 of the above Act from entering or being present in the area of the safety zone without the consent in writing of NOPSEMA.

This petroleum safety zone extends to a distance of 500 metres, measured from each point of the outer edge of the wells in the title areas VIC/L6 and VIC/L20, as described in table 1.

| Name | Title area | Latitude* | Longitude* |
|-----------------|------------|---------------|----------------|
| Gudgeon 1 well | VIC/L6 | 38° 30' 54" S | 148° 28' 05" E |
| Terakihi 1 well | VIC/L20 | 38° 30' 21" S | 148° 32' 43" E |

*Note: the above are GDA94 coordinates.

The safety zone will be valid from 19 September 2024 to 4 October 2024.

Where an unauthorised vessel enters or remains in the safety zone specified in contravention of this notice, the owner and the person in command or in charge of the vessel are each guilty of an offence against Section 616 of the Act and are punishable, upon conviction, by imprisonment for a term:

- not exceeding 15 years if the breach is determined as intentional.
- not exceeding 12.5 years if the breach is determined as recklessness.
- not exceeding 10 years if the breach is determined as negligence.
- not exceeding 5 years if the breach is determined as an offence of strict liability.

REVOCATION OF A PETROLEUM SAFETY ZONE

The previous Notice A1070415 dated 11 April 2024, which appeared in the Commonwealth of Australia Government Gazette on 18 April 2024, Gazette number, is revoked as at 19 September 2024.

Dated this 19th day of September 2024.

Made under the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006* of the Commonwealth of Australia.

Chris Bourne, Director – Exploration & Development Safety
Pursuant to the Instrument of delegation dated 31 January 2024
National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority