



**NOPSEMA**

Australia's offshore energy regulator

## VARIATION OF A PETROLEUM SAFETY ZONE – NOTICE A1247904 – BEACH ENERGY (OPERATIONS) LIMITED – VIC/L23 & T/L2 – THYLACINE 1 & GEOGRAPHE 1 WELLS

Commonwealth of Australia

### **OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AND GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE ACT 2006**

#### PROHIBITION OF ENTRY INTO A PETROLEUM 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 the registered holders of VIC/L23 and T/L2 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 500m metres, measured from each point of the outer edge of the well known as Geographe 1 (latitude 39° 06' 41.81" South, longitude 142° 55' 43.84" East\*) and the well known as Thylacine 1 (latitude 39° 14' 22.33" South, longitude 142° 54' 49.12" East\*).

\*Note: the above are GDA94 coordinates.

The safety zone will be valid from 1 September 2025 to 1 November 2025.

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.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025.

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

## REVOCATION OF A PETROLEUM SAFETY ZONE

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The previous Notice A1194988 dated 31 March 2025, which appeared in the Commonwealth of Australia Government Gazette on 2 April 2025, Gazette number C2025G00165, is revoked as at 1 September 2025.

Dated this 7th day of August 2025.

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  
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