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NOTICE: REGOPS-841858483-350791

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ESTABLISHMENT OF A PETROLEUM SAFETY ZONE – NOTICE REGOPS-841858483-350791 – GB ENERGY (VIC) PTY LIMITED VIC/L008865(V) GB-3, GB-4, GB-5 WELLS AND ASSOCIATED SUBSEA EQUIPMENT

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OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AND GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE ACT 2006

PROHIBITION OF ENTRY INTO A PETROLEUM SAFETY ZONE

I, Darryl Nottingham, 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/L008865 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 well known as GB-5 (latitude 38°: 14‘: 53.65“South, longitude 147°: 25‘: 01.27“East*).
*Note: the above are GDA94 coordinates.

The safety zone will be valid from **5th November 2026** until revoked by notice published in the gazette.

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 28th day of October 2026.

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

Darry Nottingham, Director – Exploration & Development Safety, Regulatory Operations Division
Pursuant to the Instrument of delegation dated 16 April 2026
National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority