

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

DECLARATION OF AN APPROVED WILDLIFE TRADE OPERATION

I, PAUL MURPHY, Assistant Secretary, Wildlife Trade and Biosecurity Branch, as Delegate of the Minister for the Environment and Energy, hereby vary under paragraph 303FT(7)(b) of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act), the declaration of an approved wildlife trade operation dated 18 March 2016 for the South Australian Marine Scalefish Fishery, as defined in the management plan in force under the *Fisheries Management Act 2007*, the Fisheries Management (Marine Scalefish Fisheries) Regulations 2006 and the Fisheries Management (General) Regulations 2007 such that the condition specified in the Schedule to that declaration is varied as follows:

In Condition 1, delete the words

"Unless otherwise amended or revoked, this declaration is valid until 22 July 2016."

and replace with the words

- Operation of the fishery will be carried out in accordance with the management regime under the SA *Fisheries Management Act 2007*, the Fisheries Management (Marine Scalefish Fisheries) Regulations 2006 and the Fisheries Management (General) Regulations 2007.
- 2. PIRSA to inform the Department of the Environment and Energy of any intended material changes to the SA Marine Scalefish Fishery management arrangements that may affect the assessment against which *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* decisions are made.
- 3. PIRSA to produce and present reports to the Department of the Environment and Energy annually as per Appendix B of the *Guidelines for the Ecologically Sustainable Management of Fisheries 2nd Edition* (the Guidelines).
- 4. Following the updated scientific assessments of stock levels for snapper, King George whiting and garfish (expected in 2016, 2017 and 2018 respectively) and in response to findings in those assessments, PIRSA to:
 - a) ensure findings of the updated scientific assessments are publicly available, and include an evaluation of the success of changes to management arrangements implemented since the last fishery assessments
 - b) finalise, publicly release and implement recovery strategies to rebuild primary species stocks to ecologically viable levels, within a specific time period, appropriate to the biology of the stocks
 - c) continue to ensure that stock levels of these species are well understood.