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Subject: Browse to North West Shelf Development - s132 further information letter - EPBC 2018-8319 [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Attachments: Browse s132 letter - to proponent.pdf

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii) ,

Please see the attached letter to the Browse VP in relation to a further information request for the Browse to North West Shelf Development, Indian Ocean, WA (EPBC 2018/8319).

This information request was made under s132(d) to the WA Minister for Environment who will be the respondent providing the requested information, rather than Woodside Energy Ltd.

If you have any questions, then please get in touch.

Kind regards,

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Acknowledgement of Country

Our department recognises the First Peoples of this nation and their ongoing connection to culture and country. We acknowledge First Nations Peoples as the Traditional Owners, Custodians and Lore Keepers of the world's oldest living culture and pay respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.



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Dear **s 22(1)(a)(ii)**

Notifying of request for information and suspension of timeframe for decision: Browse to North West Shelf Development, Indian Ocean, WA

I write to you in relation to the Browse to North West Shelf Development (Browse project) to develop and extract hydrocarbons from the Brecknock, Calliance and Torosa reservoirs using two floating production storage and offloading (FPSO) facilities and a 900 km pipeline, located approximately 425 km north of Broome, that was referred under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

As you are aware, the Dampier Archipelago national heritage place, which is listed under sections 15B and 15C of the EPBC Act, is a controlling provision for the Browse project because of potential indirect impacts that may arise from processing Browse project resources at the onshore North West Shelf Project Extension, WA (EPBC 2018/8335 – the 'NWS project') facility.

To ensure a unified and consistent regulatory approach to national heritage matters on the Burrup Peninsula at state and federal levels, the department is seeking to align any proposed EPBC Act approval conditions for the Browse project with any conditions imposed by the WA final Ministerial Statement of the NWS project. To enable this approach, I have written to the delegated contact of the WA Minister for Environment to request the WA Appeals Convenor Report and the final Ministerial Statement for the NWS project to inform the proposed and final EPBC Act decisions on the Browse project.

In accordance with section 130(5) of the EPBC Act, the timeframe for making an approval decision on the Browse project will be suspended until the requested information is received. Once this information is received from the WA Environmental Protection Authority, on behalf of the WA Minister for Environment, the 40-day business day statutory timeframe for making a decision will recommence, and subsequently Woodside Energy Ltd will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed decision and any conditions that may be attached.

If you have any questions about this decision, please contact the assessment officer, ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} by email to ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}[s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)@environment.gov.au](mailto:s 22(1)(a)(ii)@environment.gov.au), or telephone ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} and quote the EPBC reference number shown at the beginning of this letter.

Yours sincerely
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Assistant Secretary
Environment Assessments West (WA, SA, NT) Branch

14 September 2022