



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

DECLARATION OF AN APPROVED WILDLIFE TRADE OPERATION

I, NIGEL ROUTH, Assistant Secretary, Marine Biodiversity Policy Branch, as Delegate of the Minister for Environment Protection, Heritage and the Arts, have considered in accordance with section 303FN of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) the application from the Department of Fisheries, Western Australia, public comments on the proposal as required under section 303FR, and advice on the ecological sustainability of the operation. I am satisfied on those matters specified in section 303FN of the EPBC Act. I hereby declare the operations for the harvesting of specimens that are, or are derived from, fish or invertebrates, other than specimens of species listed under Part 13 of the EPBC Act, taken in the West Coast Deep Sea Crustacean Interim Managed Fishery, as defined in the *West Coast Deep Sea Crustacean (Interim) Management Plan 2007*, made under the *Fish Resources Management Act 1994* and the *Fish Resources Management Regulations 1995*, to be an approved Wildlife Trade Operation, in accordance with subsection 303FN (2) and paragraph 303FN(10)(d), for the purposes of the EPBC Act.

Unless amended or revoked, this declaration:

- a) is valid until 7 May 2013 and;
- b) is subject to the conditions applied under section 303FT specified in the Schedule (dated April 2010).

Dated this 29th day of April 2010

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Routh', written over a dotted line.

Delegate of the Minister for Environment Protection, Heritage and the Arts

SCHEDULE

Declaration of the Harvest Operations of the West Coast Deep Sea Crustacean Interim Managed Fishery as an approved Wildlife Trade Operation, April 2010**ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS (section 303FT)**

Relating to the harvesting of fish specimens that are, or are derived from, fish or invertebrates, other than specimens of species listed under Part 13 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act), taken in the West Coast Deep Sea Crustacean Interim Managed Fishery:

1. Operation of the Western Australia (WA) West Coast Deep Sea Crustacean Interim Managed Fishery (WCDSCIMF) will be carried out in accordance with the *West Coast Deep Sea Crustacean Fishery (Interim) Management Plan 2007* in force under *WA Fish Resources Management Act 1994* (FRM Act) and the *WA Fish Resources Management Regulations 1995* (FRM Regulations).
2. The Department of Fisheries Western Australia (DFWA) to advise the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts (DEWHA) of any intended change to the WCDSCIMF management arrangements that could affect the assessment of the fishery against the criteria on which *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) decisions are based.
3. DFWA to produce and present reports to DEWHA annually as per Appendix B to the '*Guidelines for the Ecologically Sustainable Management of Fisheries - 2nd Edition*'.