Australian Government Director of National Parks

CLASS APPROVAL – MINING (NOT CONTROLLED ACTIONS)

South-east Commonwealth Marine Reserves Network Management Plan 2013-2023 Section 5.2.8

Approved Operations	Mining operations subject to a decision under s.75 of the Environment
	Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act) that
	the operation is not a controlled action.
Approved Persons	Persons conducting mining operations authorised under the Offshore
	Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006 or Offshore
	Minerals Act 1994.
Approved Marine Park Zones	Apollo Marine Park
	Beagle Marine Park
	Boags Marine Park
	East Gippsland Marine Park
	Franklin Marine Park
	Nelson Marine Park
	South Tasman Rise Marine Park
	Zeehan Marine Park
	Flinders Marine Park (Multiple Use zone)
	Freycinet Marine Park (Multiple Use zone)
	Huon Marine Park (Multiple Use zone)
	Murray Marine Park (Special Purpose zone)
	Tasman Fracture Marine Park (Special Purpose and Multiple Use
	zones)
	Note :- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment
	(Commonwealth Marine Reserves Renaming) Proclamation 2017 dated
	October 2017 omitted the former term 'Commonwealth Marine Reserve',
	which is used in the Network Management Plan, and substituted 'Marine
	Park'. The boundaries and zoning of the areas have not changed.
Conditions of approval	1. Mining operations must only be carried on in Approved Marine
	Park Zones.
	2. Mining operations must be conducted in accordance with:
	a. the EPBC Act;
	b. the Network Management Plan;
	c. the EPBC Regulations;
	d. any prohibitions, restrictions or determinations made under
	the Regulations; and
	e. other applicable Commonwealth and State laws (to the extent
	those laws are capable of operating concurrently with the
	laws and instruments described in paragraphs a. to d.).

3	8. Mining operations subject to the Offshore Petroleum and
	Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006 must be conducted in
	accordance with an Environment Plan accepted under the Act for
	those operations.
	. Mining operations subject to the Offshore Minerals Act 1994 Act
	must be conducted in accordance with any approved environment
	management plan for those operations under the Act.
5	. The Director of National Parks must be notified at least 14 days
	prior to the conduct of any operations in the Network.
6	6. If required by the Director of National Parks, provide information
	on operations authorised by this approval.
7	7. All employees, servants, agents and contractors engaged in the
	conduct of mining operations in the Network must be fully
	informed of these conditions before commencing to take part in
	the operations.

Contravention of this approval may result in the approval being varied to remove a person from the Approved Persons under this approval; or conditions to be varied or revoked. Contravention may also result in the imposition of significant civil and criminal penalties.

If a condition above requires a person to contact the Director of National Parks, the following contact should be used;

• marinereserves@environment.gov.au

This approval will come into effect on the date that it is signed and remains in effect for the term of the South-east Commonwealth Marine Reserves Network Management Plan, unless it is suspended, cancelled, varied or revoked sooner by the Director of National Parks.

Assistant Secretary Marine Protected Areas Branch Parks Australia Delegate of the Director of National Parks

Date: 15/12/17

Interpretation

In the approval and these conditions:

- a. Act or EPBC Act means the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and includes any Act which amends or replaces the Act.
- b. Approved Person means a person in the class of persons described as Approved Persons in this approval and, where applicable, includes the employees, servants, agents and contractors of an Approved Person; but does not include a person removed from the approved class of persons by a variation to this approval.
- c. **Approved Marine Park Zone** means a Marine Park Zone in which mining operations are authorised by this approval to be carried on.
- d. **Director of National Parks** means Director of National Parks under the *Environment Protection* and *Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and includes any agency that succeeds to the functions of the Director.
- e. **Mining operations** has the meaning given by section 355(2) of the EPBC Act, and which includes all operations and activities connected with, or incidental to, the mining or recovery of minerals or the production of material from minerals.
- f. **Marine Park Zone** means a management zone established by the South-east Commonwealth Marine Reserves Management Plan.
- g. Regulations or EPBC Regulations mean the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Regulations 2000 (Cth) and includes any Regulations that amend or replace the Regulations.
- h. South-east Network of Marine Parks means, collectively, the following marine parks declared under the EPBC Act and named Apollo, Beagle, Boags East Gippsland, Flinders, Franklin, Freycinet, Huon, Macquarie Island, Murray, Nelson, South Tasman Rise, Tasman Fracture and Zeehan Marine Parks.
- i. South-east Commonwealth Marine Reserves Management Plan (or Network Management Plan) means the management plan for the Network of Marine Parks in operation under the Act.

