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Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR WORK-BID GREENHOUSE GAS ASSESSMENT PERMIT APPLICATION - 2021

I, **KEITH JOHN PITT**, the responsible Commonwealth Minister (**the RCM**), pursuant to section 296(1) of the <u>Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006</u> (**the OPGGS Act**), hereby invite applications for the grant of work-bid greenhouse gas assessment permits in respect of the blocks and within the areas described below.

Applications must be received, in the manner prescribed below, from Friday 4 March 2022 9:00 am local time at the place of submission to Thursday 10 March 4:00 pm local time at the place of submission.

Applications for the 2021 Offshore Greenhouse Gas Storage Acreage Release will not be accepted **prior to Friday 4 March 2022 9:00 am local time** at the place of submission.

Provisions and requirements of the <u>Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Titles Administration and Other Measures) Act 2021 (the Titles Administration Act)</u> will come into effect from <u>2 March 2022</u>. Applicants are encouraged to review the Titles Administration Act to ensure they are familiar with these requirements.

Where applicable, applicants are encouraged to include information or documents which will be required following commencement of these provisions in any application. The relevant provisions of the Titles Administration Act are:

- subsections 298(2A) and (2B) (see item 72 of Schedule 3), which provide for decision-making criteria for the grant of a work-bid greenhouse gas (GHG) assessment permit
- paragraphs 309(2)(c) and (d) and subsections 309(3A) and (4A) (see items 86 to 88 of Schedule 3), which provide for decision-making criteria for the renewal of a GHG assessment permit
- subsection 310(3A) (see item 89 of Schedule 3), which provides for new decision-making criteria for the refusal to renew a GHG assessment permit
- subsection 436(2A) (see item 187 of Schedule 3), which provides for new decision-making criteria for the variation or suspension of, or the exemption of compliance from, conditions of a GHG assessment permit, and
- section 695YB (see item 231 of Schedule 3), which provides for matters that a decision-maker must take into account.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

When preparing a bid and planning, applicants should:

- carefully consider the relevant maritime boundaries and international treaties
- take all relevant advice to inform decision-making.

Public consultation comments

Applicants are advised to review public consultation feedback comments received in relation to the 2021 Offshore Greenhouse Gas Storage Acreage Release areas they intend to bid on via Consultation Hub at https://consult.industry.gov.au/2021-ghg-acreage-release.

Trailing liability

Potential bidders should be aware that amendments to the OPGGS Act which implement the Australian Government's expanded trailing liability policy will come into effect on 2 March 2022. Provisions and requirements of the Titles Administration Act provide that past titleholders that held a title on or after 1 January 2021, or related persons, may be called back to undertake remedial works in the former title area should issues arise in future.

Environment Protection (Sea Dumping) Act 1981

Waters surrounding Australia's coastlines are protected from wastes and pollution dumped at sea by the *Environment Protection (Sea Dumping) Act 1981* (the Sea Dumping Act). The Sea Dumping Act regulates the dumping of controlled waste materials at sea, including carbon dioxide (CO₂) for sequestration into the sub-seabed. The Sea Dumping Act fulfils Australia's international obligations as a contracting party under the 1996 Protocol to the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter 1972.

Proponents that wish to sequester CO₂ in the sub-seabed in Australian waters may require a permit under the Sea Dumping Act. Proponents are recommended to contact the sea dumping section at seadumping@awe.gov.au early in their project planning to understand their obligations under the Sea Dumping Act. More information on sea dumping and Australian waters is available at

https://www.awe.gov.au/environment/marine/marine-pollution/sea-dumping.

Australian Marine Parks, Biologically Important Areas and Key Ecological Features

Investors should note that some of the gazetted areas overlap Australian Marine Parks, Biologically Important Areas (**BIAs**) and Key Ecological Features. For more information in relation to these areas please refer to the following:

- https://www.environment.gov.au/marine/marine-species/bias
- https://parksaustralia.gov.au/marine/management/

The Australian Heritage Database provides information on the National Heritage values protected as Matters of National Environmental Significance under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (**EPBC Act**).

<u>Underwater Cultural Heritage (UCH)</u>

The Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (**DAWE**) administers the <u>Underwater Cultural Heritage Act 2018</u> (**UCH Act**). The requirements of the UCH Act are separate to those of the EPBC Act. Any potential titleholder who is planning to undertake works in the offshore environment should consult heritage@awe.gov.au for advice on how to mitigate risks associated with UCH.

Unexploded ordnance

There is potential for unexploded ordnance (UXO) on or in the sea floor in areas where Defence operates and especially in Air Weapons Range Areas. Proponents should be aware of the risks involved in conducting offshore exploration and development activities. The potential presence of UXO carries with it an associated risk of detonation. Defence takes no responsibility for:

- reporting the location and type of ordnance dropped in the areas of interest to the permit holders
- identification of or removal of any UXO
- any loss or damage suffered or incurred by the company or any third party arising out of, or directly related to, UXO.

As a consequence, the Australian Government provides no guarantee or indemnity regarding the safety or whereabouts of UXO.

Storage Formation Integrity

Potential bidders should be aware that the integrity of a storage formation may be affected by the presence of wells drilled within the title area or surrounding area, regardless of whether they intersect a storage formation or not. This includes any pre-title petroleum, greenhouse gas storage or stratigraphic wells and any wells drilled under an active GHG assessment permit.

Potential bidders may need to consider the impact of wells on the integrity of the storage formation and how this affects the *fundamental suitability determinants* of a storage formation under the OPGGS Act.

Potential bidders may be required to remediate wells to a suitable standard to allow for the safe injection and permanent storage of CO₂ into a storage formation.

Foreign Investment Review Board

International investors may need to seek approval from the Australian Treasurer. See the Foreign Investment Review Board (**FIRB**) website (https://firb.gov.au/) for more information. If FIRB approval is not available at the time of submission, it will need to be provided separately before any new permit award.

Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Environment) Regulations 2009

A 'greenhouse gas activity' is defined in the <u>Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage</u> (Environment) Regulations 2009 (Environment Regulations).

'Seismic or exploratory drilling activity' is also a term defined in the Environment Regulations and includes some greenhouse gas activities.

The Environment Regulations require that an environment plan (**EP**) for a greenhouse gas activity must be accepted by the National Offshore Safety and Environmental Management Authority (**NOPSEMA**) before the activity can commence. EPs for seismic or exploratory drilling activities are subject to a 30 day public comment period before NOPSEMA can commence assessment of those environment plans. A titleholder commits an offence if they undertake an activity and there is no environment plan in force for the activity.

Information regarding environment plans, including but not limited to assessment policy, content requirements and decision-making, is available on the environmental management section of NOPSEMA's website.

In February 2014, NOPSEMA's environmental management authorisations process was endorsed by the Commonwealth Environment Minister as a Program that meets the requirements of Part 10 of the EPBC Act. This endorsement of the NOPSEMA Program streamlines the environmental approval processes for most offshore petroleum and greenhouse gas activities proposed in Commonwealth waters.

While titleholders for greenhouse gas exploration activities can access the streamlined environmental management authorisation arrangements under the endorsed NOPSEMA Program, titleholders of activities that include injection and/or storage of greenhouse gas **cannot** access the streamlined arrangements.

This means that additional environmental approvals under the EPBC Act may be required in addition to an environment plan accepted by NOPSEMA for greenhouse gas injection and / or storage activities. The NOPSEMA website provides additional information regarding the NOPSEMA EPBC Act Program, including further details on activities included within, and excluded from, the endorsed streamlined arrangements.

Duty holders should also be aware that additional safety and integrity authorisations from NOPSEMA may be required for greenhouse gas activities and associated facilities.

Seismic survey data

Potential bidders are strongly encouraged consider all available seismic data over an area to determine if further seismic acquisition is necessary in order to form a more targeted work program bid. If required potential bidders are encouraged to use new technology to formulate a more targeted proposal for work in the area.

Investors are encouraged to consider all available seismic data over an area to determine if further seismic acquisition is necessary in and to form a more targeted work program bid. Geoscience Australia's National Offshore Petroleum Information Management System (**NOPIMS**) can assist with determining what data is available. NOPIMS is available at https://www.ga.gov.au/nopims.

GRATICULAR BLOCK LISTINGS

Greenhouse Gas Release Area GHG21-1 Bonaparte Basin, Petrel Sub-basin

Map Sheet SC52 (Melville Island)

3406	3407	3408	3409	3410	3411	3412	3413
3414	3415	3416	3417	3418	3419	3420	3421
3422	3423	3424	3425	3426	3427	3428	3429
3430							

Map Sheet SD52 (Darwin)

0023	0024	0025	0026	0027	0028	0029	0030
0031	0032	0033	0034	0035	0036	0037	0038
0039	0040	0041	0042	0043	0044	0045	0046
0095	0096	0097	0098	0099	0100	0101	0102
0103	0104	0105	0106	0107	0108	0109	0110
0111	0112	0113	0114	0115	0116	0117	0118
0168	0169	0170	0171	0172	0173	0174	0175

0176	0177	0178	0179	0180	0181	0182	0183
0184	0185	0186	0187	0188	0189	0190	0240
0241	0242	0243	0244	0245	0246	0247	0248
0249	0250	0251	0252	0253	0254	0255	0256
0257	0258	0259	0260	0261	0262	0313	0314
0315	0316	0317	0318	0319	0320	0321	0322
0323	0324	0325	0326	0327	0328	0329	0330
0331	0332	0333	0334	0386	0387	0388	0389
0390	0391	0392	0393	0394	0395	0396	0397
0398	0399	0400	0401	0402	0403	0404	0405
0406	0458	0459	0460	0461	0462	0463	0464
0465	0466	0467	0468	0469	0470	0471	0472
0473	0474	0475	0476	0477	0478	0531	0532
0533	0534	0535	0536	0537	0538	0539	0540
0541	0542	0543	0544	0545	0546	0547	0548
0549	0550	0607	0608	0609	0610	0611	0612
0613	0614	0615	0616	0617	0618	0619	0620
0621	0622	0680	0681	0682	0683	0684	0685
0686	0687	0688	0689	0690	0691	0692	0693
0694	0753	0754	0755	0756	0757	0758	0759
0760	0761	0762	0763	0764	0765	0766	0825
0826	0827	0828	0829	0830	0831	0832	0833
0834	0835	0836	0837	0838	0894	0895	0896
0897	0898	0899	0900	0901	0902	0903	0904
0905	0906	0907	0908	0909	0910	0966	0967
0968	0969	0970	0971	0972	0973	0974	0975
0976	0977	0978	0979	0980	0981	0982	1038
1039	1040	1041	1042	1043	1044	1045	1046
1047	1048	1049	1050	1051	1052	1053	1054
1110	1111	1112	1113	1114	1115	1116	1117
1118	1119	1120	1121	1122	1123	1124	1125
1126							

Assessed to contain 330 full blocks.

Australian Marine Parks

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-1 was known to overlap the Oceanic Shoals Marine Park Multiple Use Zone (IUCN VI).

Biologically Important Areas

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-1 was known to overlap the following BIAs (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

- Flatback Turtle
- Green Turtle
- Loggerhead Turtle
- Olive Ridley Turtle

Key Ecological Features

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-1 was known to overlap the following key ecological features (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

- Carbonate bank and terrace system of the Sahul Shelf
- Carbonate bank and terrace system of the Van Diemen Rise
- Pinnacles of the Bonaparte Basin

Department of Defence (Defence)

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-1 was known to overlap the North Australia Exercise Area (NAXA) and the Darwin Air Weapons Range (Central & West). GHG21-1 also coincides with military restricted airspace. Non-Defence flying operations in these areas are required to be conducted in accordance with Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) restrictions.

Proposed bidders should follow all procedures and restrictions relating to Notices to Mariners (**NOTMAR**) and NOTAM. Further information is available from the Australian Hydrographic Service and Airservices Australia.

Proponents are advised that the Minister for Defence has the authority, under the Defence Force Regulations 1952, to gazette any area of sea or airspace as a Defence Practice Area (**DPA**) for carrying out Defence operations or practices. Operations in these areas are required to be conducted in accordance with NOTMAR restrictions. A deed of access may be required by Defence when operating within a DPA.

To mitigate any potential risk to the safety of personnel conducting defence activities and of defence assets, the following preventable control conditions may need to be satisfied by any potential titleholders of GHG21-1:

- Abnormal operating conditions are monitored and notified within an agreed response and protocol to Marine operations (MAROPS) and the Air Operations Centre at Headquarters Joint Operations Command (HQJOC) to alert enhanced risk potential to vessels and aircraft operating in the NAXA and / or the North West Exercise Areas (NWXA) region impacted
- Seismic activities, such as earthquakes, are monitored and notified to the same protocols as above
- The Australian Government is indemnified for UXO events or disturbances through explosive ordnance (**EO**).

Wells within the area

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-1 was known to overlap the following wells (noting that this list may not be exhaustive) (source: NOPIMS):

- Flat Top 1 (1970)
- Gull 1 (1970)

Greenhouse Gas Release Area GHG21-2 Bonaparte Basin, Petrel Sub-basin

Map Sheet SC52 (Melville Island)

3398	3399	3400	3401	3402	3403	3404	3405
Map She	et SD52 (D	arwin)					
0014	0015	0016	0017	0018	0019	0020	0021
0022	0086	0087	0088	0089	0090	0091	0092
0093	0094	0158	0159	0160	0161	0162	0163
0164	0165	0166	0167	0230	0231	0232	0233
0234	0235	0236	0237	0238	0239	0302	0303
0304	0305	0306	0307	0308	0309	0310	0311
0312	0374	0375	0376	0377	0378	0379	0380
0381	0382	0383	0384	0385	0446	0447	0448
0449	0450	0451	0452	0453	0454	0455	0456
0457	0518	0519	0520	0521	0522	0523	0524
0525	0526	0527	0528	0529	0530	0590	0591
0592	0593	0594	0595	0596	0597	0598	0599
0600	0601	0602	0603	0662	0663	0664	0665
0666	0667	0668	0669	0670	0671	0672	0673
0674	0675	0730	0731	0732	0733	0734	0735
0736	0737	0738	0739	0740	0741	0742	0743
0744	0745	0746	0747	0802	0803	0804	0805
0806	0807	0808	0809	0810	0811	0812	0813
0814	0815	0816	0817	0818	0819	0820	0821
0874	0875	0876	0877	0878	0879	0880	0881
0882	0883	0884	0885	0886	0887	0888	0889
0890	0891	0892	0893	0946	0947	0948	0949
0950	0951	0952	0953	0954	0955	0956	0957
0958	0959	0960	0961	0962	0963	0964	0965
1019	1020	1021	1022	1023	1024	1025	1026
1027	1028	1029	1030	1031	1032	1033	1034
1035	1036	1037	1092	1093	1094	1095	1096
1097	1098	1099	1100	1101	1102	1103	1104
1105	1106	1107	1108	1109	1167	1168	1169
1170	1171	1172	1173	1174	1175	1176	1177
1178	1179	1180	1181	1241	1242	1243	1244

1245	1246	1247	1248	1249	1250	1251	1252
1253	1314	1315	1316	1317	1318	1319	1320
1321	1322	1323	1324	1325	1388	1389	1390
1391	1392	1393	1394	1395	1396	1397	1461
1462	1463	1464	1465	1466	1467	1468	1469
1534	1535	1536	1537	1538	1539	1540	1541

Assessed to contain 304 full blocks.

Marine parks

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-2 was known to overlap the Oceanic Shoals Marine Park Multiple Use Zone (IUCN VI).

Biological important areas

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-2 was known to overlap the following BIAs (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

- Flatback Turtle
- Green Turtle
- Lesser Crested Tern
- Loggerhead Turtle
- Olive Ridley Turtle

Key Ecological Features

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-2 was known overlap the following key ecological features (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

- Carbonate bank and terrace system of the Sahul Shelf
- Pinnacles of the Bonaparte Basin

Department of Defence

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-2 was known to overlap the NAXA and the Darwin Air Weapons Range (West). GHG21-2 coincides with military restricted airspace. Non-Defence flying operations in these areas are required to be conducted in accordance with NOTAM restrictions.

Proposed bidders should follow all procedures and restrictions relating to NOTMAR and NOTAM. Further information is available from the Australian Hydrographic Service and Airservices Australia.

Proponents are advised that the Minister for Defence has the authority, under the Defence Force Regulations 1952, to gazette any area of sea or airspace as a DPA for carrying out Defence operations or practices. Operations in these areas are required to be conducted in accordance with NOTMAR restrictions. A deed of access may be required by Defence when operating within a DPA.

To mitigate any potential risk to the safety of personnel conducting defence activities and of defence assets, the following preventable control conditions will need to be satisfied by any potential titleholders of GHG21-2:

 Abnormal operating conditions are monitored and notified within an agreed response and protocol to MAROPS and the Air Operations Centre at HQJOC to alert enhanced risk potential to vessels and aircraft operating in the NAXA and / or the NWXA region impacted

- Seismic activities, such as earthquakes, are monitored and notified to the same protocols as above
- The Australian Government is indemnified for UXO events or disturbances through EO.

Wells within the area

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-2 was known to overlap the following wells (noting that this list may not be exhaustive) (source: NOPIMS):

- Billabong 1 (1992)
- Fishburn 1 (1992)
- Frigate 1 (1978)
- Frigate Deep 1 (2008)
- Marina 1 (2007)
- Marsi 1 (1996)
- Marsi 1/ST1 (1996)
- Sandpiper 1 (1971)
- Schilling 1 (1997)
- Tern 1 (1971)
- Tern 2 (1981)
- Tern 3 (1982)
- Tern 4 (1994)
- Tern 5 (1997)

Greenhouse Gas Release Area GHG21-3

Browse Basin, Caswell and Barcoo Sub-basins

Map Sheet SD51 (Brunswick Bay)

2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2105	2106
2107	2108	2109	2110	2177	2178	2179	2180
2181	2182	2249	2250	2251	2252	2253	2254
2321	2322	2323	2324	2325	2326	2393	2394
2395	2396	2397	2398	2465	2466	2467	2468
2469	2470						

Assessed to contain 42 full blocks.

Biologically Important Areas

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-3 was known to overlap the following BIAs (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

• Pygmy Blue Whale

Key Ecological Features

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-3 was known overlap the following key ecological features (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

• Continental Slope Demersal Fish Communities

Wells within the area

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-3 was known to overlap the following wells (noting that this list may not be exhaustive) (source: NOPIMS):

- Brecknock 1 (1979)
- Brecknock 2 (2005)
- Brecknock 3 (2006)
- Brecknock 4 (2009)
- Brecknock South 1 (2000)
- Calliance 1 (2005)
- Calliance 2 (2007)
- Calliance 3 (2008)
- Snarf 1 (2008)
- Snarf 1 Top Hole (2007)

Greenhouse Gas Release Area GHG21-4

Northern Carnarvon Basin, Dampier Sub-basin

Map Sheet SE50 (Rowley Shoals)

2910	2911	2912	2913	2914	2980	2981	2982
2983	2984	2985	2986	3052	3053	3054	3055
3056	3057	3058	3124	3125	3126		

Assessed to contain 22 full blocks.

Biologically Important Areas

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-4 was known to overlap the following BIAs (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

- Whale Shark
- Wedge-Tailed Shearwater
- Pygmy Blue Whale

Key Ecological Features

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-4 was known overlap the following key ecological features (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

- Ancient coastline at 125 m depth contour
- Glomar Shoals

Wells within the area

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-4 was known to overlap the following wells (noting that this list may not be exhaustive) (source: NOPIMS):

- Achernar 1 (2019)
- Angel 1 (1971)
- Angel 1A (1971)
- Angel 2 (1972)
- Angel 3 (1973)
- Angel 4 (1990)
- Angel AP 2 (2007)
- Angel AP 3 (2007)
- Angel AP 4 (2006)
- Angel AP 4H (2006)
- Carteret 1 (2003)

- Cavalier 1 (2000)
- Cossack 1 (1989)
- Cossack 2 (1991)
- Cossack 3 (1992)
- Cossack 4 (1994)
- Cossack 5 (2005)
- Cossack 6 (2005)
- Cossack 6/ST1 (2005)
- Eaglehawk 1 (1972)
- Egret 1 (1972)
- Egret 2 (1998)
- Egret 3 (2003)
- Lambert 1 (1973)
- Lambert 1/ST1 (1974)
- Lambert 2 (1996)
- Lambert 3 (1997)
- Lambert 4 (1998)
- Lambert 5 (2000)
- Lambert 5/ST1 (2000)
- Lambert 6 (2004)
- Lambert 7 (2006)
- Lambert 8 (2008)
- Lambert 8A (2008)
- Lambert 8B (2008)
- Lambert 9 (2009)
- Madeleine 1 (1969)
- Maia 1 (2001)
- Montague 1 (1984)
- Montague 1/ST1 (1985)
- Montague 1/ST2 (1985)
- Nereus 1 (2008)
- Patriot 1 (2001)
- Seraph 1 (2011)
- Seraph 1/ST1 (2011)
- Spica 1 (1996)
- Walcott 1 (1979)
- Walcott 1/ST1 (1979)
- Wanaea 1 (1988)
- Wanaea 1/ST1 (1989)
- Wanaea 10 (2006)
- Wanaea 10/ST1 (2006)
- Wanaea 11 (2009)
- Wanaea 11A (2009)
- Wanaea 2 (1990)
- Wanaea 2A (1990)
- Wanaea 3 (1990)
- Wanaea 4 (1992)
- Wanaea 5 (1992)
- Wanaea 6 (1994)

- Wanaea 7 (1994)
- Wanaea 7/ST1 (1994)
- Wanaea 8 (2004)
- Wanaea 9 (2005)
- Wanaea 9H (2006)
- Wanaea 9H/ST1 (2006)

Greenhouse Gas Release Area GHG21-5

Northern Carnarvon Basin, Dampier Sub-basin

Map Sheet SE50 (Rowley Shoals)

3127	3197	3198	3199	3265	3266	3267	3268
3269	3270	3271	3272	3273	3337	3338	3339
3340	3341	3342	3343	3344	3345	3407	3408
3409	3410	3411	3412	3413	3414	3415	3416
3417							

Map Sheet SF50 (Hamersley Range)

0023	0024	0025	0026	0027	0029	0030	0031
0032	0033	0098	0099				

Assessed to contain 45 full blocks.

Biologically Important Areas

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-5 was known to overlap the following BIAs (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

- Flatback Turtle
- Whale Shark
- Wedge-Tailed Shearwater
- Humpback Whale
- Pygmy Blue Whale

Key Ecological Features

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-5 was known overlap the following key ecological features (noting that this list may not be exhaustive):

Glomar Shoals

Wells within the area

At the time of gazettal, GHG21-5 was known to overlap the following wells (noting that this list may not be exhaustive) (source: NOPIMS):

- Antelope 1 (2000)
- Argos 1 (2002)
- Baleena 1 (1993)
- Bellerophon 1 (1995)
- Bloodwood 1 (2002)
- Cherring 1 (1997)
- Cognac 1 (1996)
- Cognac 1/ST1 (1996)
- Cognac 1A (1996)

- Cognac 1B (1996)
- Coojong 1 (1992)
- Dampier 1 (1968)
- Eliassen 1 (1991)
- Gungurru 1 (2004)
- Helicon 1 (1996)
- Helicon 1/CH1 (1996)
- Hoss 1 (2012)
- Hyacinthus 1 (1999)
- Jalfrezi 1 (2012)
- Janus 1 (1997)
- Lauchie 1 (1990)
- Lepus 1 (1998)
- Lewis 1 (1975)
- Lewis 1A (1975)
- Libris 1 (2006)
- Libris 1/ST1 (2006)
- Lynx 1 (1996)
- Lynx 1A (1996)
- Muggles 1 (2004)
- Nickol 1 (2003)
- Nickol Bay 1 (1988)
- Norbil 1 (2007)
- Orion 1 (1990)
- Quandong 1 (2002)
- Rosemary 1 (1972)
- Rosemary North 1 (1982)
- Saffron 1 (1994)
- Sage 1 (1999)
- Spinner 1 (1995)
- Supel 1 (2007)
- Unicorn 1 (2006)

APPLICATIONS

In accordance with subsection 296(3) of the OPGGS Act, applications must be accompanied by details of:

- a. the applicant's proposals for work and expenditure in relation to the block or blocks specified in the application; and
- b. the technical qualifications of the applicant and of the applicant's employees; and
- c. the technical advice available to the applicant; and
- d. the financial resources available to the applicant.

For further details of the expectations of the RCM in relation to the content of applications and used as the criteria for ranking of competing applicants in accordance with section 299 of the OPGGS Act, please refer to the Guideline: Offshore Greenhouse Gas Work-bid Assessment Permits, available at https://www.nopta.gov.au/guidelines-and-factsheets/index.html.

FEE

An application must be accompanied by the appropriate application fee and evidence of payment. The amount of the fee is prescribed in schedule 6 of the RMA regulations¹. Details on how to pay the prescribed fee are on NOPTA's website.

If paying by cheque, please write the full company name and Australian Business Number of each applicant and work-bid release area number on the back of the bank cheque. Cheques should be made payable to 'NOPTA – Commonwealth of Australia'.

If paying by electronic funds transfer, please make payment to the following account:

Bank Name	Reserve Bank of Australia
Account Name	Dept of Industry Science Energy and Resources Official Administered Receipts Account Resources (RET)
BSB	092-009
Account Number	119585
Swift Code	RSBKAU2S

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

The application must be on the approved application form and signed by all applicants. The application form is available for download from the NOPTA website at http://www.nopta.gov.au/forms/forms.html.

One bound paper copy and one electronic copy in text search format (on CD, DVD or USB) of the application, together with evidence of payment of the application fee, must be submitted to the NOPTA in the following manner:

¹ Please note that application fees are subject to change. Applicants should refer to the application fee stated in Schedule 6, Part 1 of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Resource Management and Administration) Regulations 2011* or confirm with NOPTA prior to submitting an application https://www.nopta.gov.au/documents/schedule-of-fees.pdf)

- the application should be sealed and clearly marked as "Application for Area [Release Area Number as appropriate] Commercial-in-Confidence" and
- this envelope or package should then be enclosed in a plain covering envelope or package and <u>delivered by hand (couriers accepted)</u> to the below address:

To submit an application please make an appointment with the NOPTA by emailing ghg@nopta.gov.au or phoning (08) 6424 5317.

Please check the NOPTA website prior to submitting an application for further updates on submissions.

Location	Address	Date
Perth Office	National Offshore Petroleum Titles Administrator	Bids are to be submitted between:
	Level 8, Alluvion Building 58 Mounts Bay Road	Friday 4 March 2022 9:00 am (AWST)
	Perth WA 6000 +61 8 6424 5317	and
		Thursday 10 March 2022 4:00 pm (AWST)
Melbourne Office	National Offshore Petroleum Titles Administrator	Bids are to be submitted between:
	Level 25, 140 William Street Melbourne VIC 3000 +61 3 8199 0300	Friday 4 March 2022 9:00 am (AEDT)
		and
		Thursday 10 March 2022 4:00 pm (AEDT)