



**COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA**

*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, have considered in accordance with section 303FN of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (the EPBC Act) the application from Tycraft Pty Ltd, 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 operation for the harvest of *Tridacna maxima* from the waters of the Cocos (Keeling) Islands by Tycraft Pty Ltd in accordance with the Instrument of Exemption (No. 2353) under section 7 of the *Fish Resources Management Act 1994 (WA)(CKI)*, to be an approved wildlife trade operation in accordance with section 303FN (2) and (10)(b), for the purposes of the EPBC Act.

Unless amended or revoked, this declaration:

- a) is valid until 31 July 2015; and
- b) is subject to the conditions applied under section 303FT specified in the Schedule.

Dated this 21st day of November 2013

..... P Murphy.....  
Delegate of the Minister for the Environment

## SCHEDULE

### **Declaration of the harvest of *Tridacna maxima* by Tycraft Pty Ltd in the waters of the Cocos (Keeling) Islands as an approved Wildlife Trade Operation, November 2013**

#### **ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS (section 303FT)**

##### **Condition 1:**

Operation of Tycraft Pty Ltd will be carried out in accordance with the management regime under the *Fish Resources Management Act 1994 (WA)(CKI)* and the Instrument of Exemption (No. 2353) under Section 7 of this act, signed on 12 November 2013.

##### **Condition 2:**

Tycraft Pty Ltd to inform the Department of the Environment of any material changes to the legislated permit conditions that may affect the assessment against which *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* decisions are made.

##### **Condition 3**

Annual reports must be provided by Tycraft Pty Ltd to the department by 30 September each year. These reports must include:

- a) the number of *Tridacna maxima* harvested from the wild for broodstock
- b) details of any mortalities of broodstock, and
- c) results of mating and rearing trials and the number of specimens reared, lost through brood mortality, numbers sold and those held as stock.