



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006

Royal Commissions Act 1902

COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

MONTARA WELLHEAD PLATFORM UNCONTROLLED HYDROCARBON
RELEASE

DIRECTION NOT TO PUBLISH

I, DAVID BORTHWICK AO PSM, appointed pursuant to section 780A of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006* to conduct a Commission of Inquiry (the **Inquiry**) into the uncontrolled release of hydrocarbons at the Montara Wellhead Platform on 21 August 2009 and subsequent events (the **Uncontrolled Release**), pursuant to 6D(3) of the *Royal Commissions Act 1902*, hereby direct that:

Save and except with the prior written consent of the Inquiry, the content of any draft section (or a part thereof) of the Inquiry's proposed report provided to any person/organisation (or their legal representative if they have one) in accordance with Revised Practice Note 3 shall not be disclosed or published to any person save and except for the sole purpose of enabling the person/organisation to make comments/submissions in response to the Inquiry's draft preliminary findings.

Dated this 13th day of May 2010

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Borthwick', written over a horizontal line.

David Borthwick AO PSM
Commissioner