



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:

- 1) Subject to paragraph 2 of this direction, the following documents (or any part thereof) shall not be disclosed or published to any person save and except to PTTEP Australasia (Ashmore Cartier) Pty Ltd (including to its legal representatives):
 - (a) any copy of the letter (without enclosures) from Mr Krzywosinski of Chevron Australia Pty Ltd to Mr Jepsen of the Inquiry dated 25 February 2010; and
 - (b) any copy of the letter from Mr Bowman of Esso Australia Pty Ltd to Mr Jepsen of the Inquiry dated 25 March 2010.
- 2) Paragraph 1 of this direction shall not preclude the Inquiry from relying upon, referring to, quoting from or otherwise using any of the documents listed therein in the preparation and presentation of my report to the Minister for Resources and Energy.

Dated this 11th day of June 2010

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

David Borthwick AO PSM
Commissioner