



# Prohibition Notice

(paragraph 33(d))

*Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006  
Petroleum (Submerged Lands) (Occupational Health and Safety) Regulations 1993*

**Notice Number: 0222**

## PROHIBITION NOTICE

To: The operator's representative  
Montara Wellhead Platform facility

I, Simon Schubach, an OHS inspector appointed under section 390 of the Act, am satisfied that it is necessary to issue a prohibition notice to the operator of the Montara Wellhead Platform facility in order to remove an immediate threat to the health or safety of a person.

The activity that is a threat to safety or health is: any activity that would involve placing personnel at the Montara Wellhead Platform facility.

The reasons for my opinion are as follows:

The hazards and risks to the health and safety of persons arising from the loss of well control event that commenced on 21 August 2009 and the yet to be determined hazards and risks associated with the adjacent wells in light of the loss of well control event of 21 August 2009.

I THEREFORE DIRECT PTTEP Australasia (Ashmore Cartier) Pty Ltd to ensure that the following activity or activities is/are not engaged in:

Any activity that would involve placing personnel at the West Atlas facility

(a) at this workplace or part of workplace:

Any workplace at the Montara Wellhead Platform facility

(b) using this plant or substance:

Any plant or substance

(c) following this procedure:

Any procedure

Action that may be taken that will be adequate to remove the threat to health or safety is:

A written demonstration to the satisfaction of the Safety Authority that for any proposed activity involving placing personnel at the Montara Wellhead Platform facility all hazards have been identified, the risks have been thoroughly and comprehensively assessed and that control measures to reduce the risks to a level that is as low as reasonably practical have been identified and implemented.

**Signed:**


**Simon Schubach**

**OHS inspector**

**Dated: 22 August 2009**

NOTES: (Please see back of form)

**NOTES:**

1. Under clause 77 of Schedule 3 to the Act, an operator who fails to ensure that this notice is complied with may be liable to a penalty of 250 penalty units.
2. ~~This notice must be displayed in a prominent place at the workplace and must not be tampered with or removed before the notice has ceased to have effect.~~ 
3. This notice ceases to have effect when the OHS inspector notifies the responsible person that he or she is satisfied that the responsible person has taken adequate action to remove the threat to health or safety that caused the notice to be issued.
4. Under clause 81 of Schedule 3 to the Act, any of the following persons may request the Australian Industrial Relations Commission in writing to review the OHS inspector's decision:
  - the operator of the facility or an employer who is affected by the decision;
  - the health and safety representative for a designated work group that includes a group member affected by the decision;
  - a workforce representative in relation to the designated work group that includes a group member affected by the decision;
  - if there is no designated work group — a workforce representative in relation to a member of the workforce affected by the decision.