

EDO-NQ Alert!

6th March 2008

Invitation for public comment on referrals –

- Residential development Bentley Park, near Edmonton – comments by Thursday 13th March 2008.
- Construction of a natural gas liquefaction and export park on Curtis Island, near Gladstone. There are five components to this project. – comments by Friday 14th March 2008.
- Opportunity to nominate a native species, ecological community or threatening process for listing under the EPBC Act - nominations by Monday 31 March 2008.

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Please send your comments on whether the proposed actions should be controlled actions under the EPBC Act quoting the reference number and title of the referral to:

Email: epbc.referrals@environment.gov.au

Post: Referrals Section (EPBC Act)
Approvals and Wildlife Division
Department of the Environment and Water Resources
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Canberra ACT 2601

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For further information on how to comment refer to the attached document provided by the Department of the Environment and Water Resources.

2008/4056	CEC Group Ltd/Residential development/Walker Rd, Bentley Park, near Edmonton, South of Cairns/QLD/Silkwood Ridge Estate Residential Development	Deadline Date 13 Mar 2008
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Residential development of Stages 12 to 15 of existing development site off Walker Road, Edmonton. It is concluded that the proposed action is not likely to have significant impacts, the key reasons are detailed on page 16 of the referral document. Discussion includes other residential developments in the area, cassowary habitat, watercourses and proximity to the World Heritage Area.

2008/4061	Santos Ltd/Energy generation and supply (non-renewable)/Commences Roma, QLD, finishes Curtis Island, near Gladstone /QLD/Gas Transmission Pipeline to supply Natural Gas Liquefaction Park	Deadline Date 14 Mar 2008
2008/4057	Santos Ltd/Energy generation and supply (non-renewable)/Curtis Island, Near Gladstone/QLD/Development of a Natural Gas Liquefaction Park	Deadline Date 14 Mar 2008
2008/4058	Santos Ltd/Energy generation and supply (non-renewable)/Hamilton Point, Curtis Island, Gladstone/QLD/Development of marine facilities to service natural gas liquefaction park	Deadline Date 14 Mar 2008

2008/4059	Santos Ltd/Energy generation and supply (non-renewable)/area around Emerald, Injune, Taroom and Roma townships/QLD/Coal Seam Gas Field Development for Natural Gas Liquefaction Park, Curtis Island	Deadline Date 14 Mar 2008
2008/4060	Santos Ltd/Transport - land/Hamilton Point, Curtis Island, near Gladstone/QLD/Construction of Bridge and Road to Access Proposed Natural Gas Liquefaction Park	Deadline Date 14 Mar 2008

There are five components to the overall project (hereafter referred to as the GLNG Project) which includes:

- a natural gas liquefaction and export park of up to approximately 10 million tonne per annum (MTPA) (LNG park) on Curtis Island, near Gladstone, Queensland (the LNG park is proposed to be developed in stages, the first stage of which will be a development of up to 4 million tonnes per annum (MTPA) capacity);
- development of coal seam gas (CSG) resources in the CSG field around Roma, Queensland;
- a 400+ kilometre long gas transmission pipeline corridor, which will accommodate one or more pipelines, for the delivery of the gas from the CSG resources to the proposed LNG park; and
- marine facilities such as jetty, materials offloading facility and channel dredging to service the LNG park.

Each component of the GLNG Project is a major infrastructure investment in its own right and is submitted with its own referral document under the EPBC Act. Each of the five Referrals cover the specific details of the proposed action and can be viewed by following the links above.

Threatened species lists

Any person can nominate a native species, ecological community or threatening process for listing under the EPBC Act. Nominations must be made before **31 March 2008**.

The Threatened Species Scientific Committee will consider all properly made nominations and prepare a priority assessment list for the Minister to consider. A Final Priority Assessment List is then released and further public and expert comment will be invited during the assessment round commencing in October 2008.

The nomination theme is "*Rivers, wetlands and groundwater dependent species and ecosystems of inland Australia.*" You can nominate any species for assessment, however nominations which relate to this theme will be given priority. For more information about the nomination process, go to www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/threatened.

Regards,

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