

## QUARANTINE EXPERT PANEL

### SUMMARY OF INTRODUCTORY MEETING

**Date:** 24th November 2008, 1.00pm to 4.30pm  
**Location:** QV1 Building, Level 24 – Conference Room 24:36  
**Subject:** Gorgon Quarantine Expert Panel – Introductory Meeting  
**Attendees:** All panel members other than those for whom apologies are noted. Mr Colin Beckett and Dr Bernard Bowen attended as guests.  
**Apologies:** Dr Andrew Burbidge, Dr Darryl Hardie and Mr Richard Stocklosa

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#### Welcome from General Manager - Greater Gorgon Area

The Chair welcomed attendees to the Quarantine Expert Panel introductory meeting and also introduced Chevron Australia's General Manager for the Greater Gorgon Area, Mr Colin Beckett and Mr Bernard Bowen. Mr Beckett welcomed and thanked Panel Members for their involvement before providing an overview of the Gorgon Project, its significance to Australia and Chevron, and Chevron Australia's expectations regarding the Panel's activities.

#### Project Update and Background to Expert Panel

A background to the Expert Panels and past Gorgon Quarantine Expert Panel and Advisory Committee was provided. The importance of the Expert Panels, the financial and resource commitment made by Chevron Australia to the Panels and the Gorgon Project was outlined.

An update on the status of the Gorgon Project was provided, including the reason behind the shift from the approved 10 million tonnes per annum (MTPA) development concept to the current 15 MTPA development concept. Clarification was sought by Panel members in relation to various aspects of the Project including the land take required by the revised development concept. Land take on Barrow Island is restricted to no more than 300 hectares of uncleared land, irrespective of Project capacity.

#### Lessons Learnt from Past Gorgon Expert Panel

Mr Bernard Bowen, the past Gorgon Quarantine Expert Panel and Advisory Committee Chair, provided the Panel with his views of the success and lessons learnt from the past Quarantine Expert Panel and Advisory Committee and how these have or should be applied to the new Expert Panels.

#### Terms of Reference and Operating Guidelines

The QEP Terms of Reference were reviewed and agreed upon with minor amendments. The Secretariat recorded these changes and will circulate the amended version to Panel members.

Once endorsed by the other Expert Panel Chairs the Operating Guidelines will be provided to Panel members for their review. In their review of the Operating Guidelines the Panel members were asked to only table any items of significance as the Operating Guidelines can only be amended by the unanimous support of all Expert Panel Chairs.

#### Quarantine Management System Basis of Design & Framework Documents

An overview of the Quarantine Management System (QMS) Basis of Design document and the QMS Framework document was presented. The document structure and key elements were briefly referred to in discussion and explanation provided where required. It was stressed that the two documents must be read in conjunction with each other to gain a full appreciation of the purpose, scope and structure of the QMS.