




**Notification of
REFERRAL DECISION AND DESIGNATED PROPONENT – controlled action
DECISION ON ASSESSMENT APPROACH**

Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project (EPBC 2010/5736)

This decision is made under section 75 and section 87 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

proposed action	To develop an open –cut and underground coal mine and associated infrastructure over EPC 1690, 160km north west of Clermont, QLD and construction of a rail link as described in the referral received by the department on 18 November 2010.
decision on proposed action	The proposed action is a controlled action. <i>The project will require assessment and approval under the EPBC Act before it can proceed.</i>
relevant controlling provisions	The project is likely to have a significant impact on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• World Heritage properties (section 12 & 15A);• National Heritage places (section 15B & 15C);• Wetlands (Ramsar) (sections 16 & 17B);• Listed threatened species and communities (sections 18 & 18A);• Listed migratory species (sections 20 & 20A); and• GBRMP (sections 24B & 24C).
designated proponent	Adani Mining Pty Ltd, 27 145 455 205
assessment approach	The project will be assessed under the bilateral agreement with the Queensland Government.
Decision-maker	
Name and position	Chris Murphy A/g Assistant Secretary Environment Assessment Branch
Signature	
date of decision	6 January 2011