



Australian Government

Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts

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

Development of Natural Gas Liquefaction and Export Park, Curtis Island, Gladstone, Qld –
EPBC No 2008/4057

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

Proposed action

proposed action Development of a proposed natural gas liquefaction and export park on Curtis Island, near Gladstone, Queensland, and as described in the referral received under the Act on 28 February 2008.

Referral decision: Controlled action

status of proposed action The proposed action is a controlled action.
The project will require assessment and approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 before it can proceed.

relevant controlling provisions The project is likely to have a significant impact on:

- World Heritage properties (section 12 & 15A)
- National Heritage places (section 15B & 15C)
- Listed threatened species and communities (sections 18 & 18A)
- Listed migratory species (sections 20 & 20A)

designated proponent Santos Ltd

Decision on assessment approach

assessment approach The project will be assessed under the bilateral agreement with the Queensland Government.

Person authorised to make decision

Name and position Ms Vicki Middleton
Assistant Secretary
Environment Assessment Branch

signature *Vicki Middleton*

date of decision *31 March 2008*