



Commonwealth of Australia

*Exemption under section 158 of the  
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth)*

I, Sussan Ley, Minister for the Environment, acting under section 158 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (EPBC Act) and being satisfied that it is in the national interest to do so, exempt EnergyAustralia Yallourn Pty Ltd and all persons acting on behalf of EnergyAustralia Yallourn Pty Ltd, from the application of all provisions of Part 3 (other than sections 21, 22A, 24B, 24C, 27B and 27C) of the EPBC Act, in relation to the following action:

The taking of **Emergency Works** and **Rectification Works** associated with the potential flooding of the Yallourn coal mine.

In this notice:

**Emergency Works** and **Rectification Works** mean the activities described as such in the request for exemption dated 2 August 2021 including:

- diverting Morwell River flows around the existing Morwell River Diversion via pipelines directly to the Latrobe River
- channelling water into the disused Hazelwood mine
- diverting water through an engineered spillway into part of the Yallourn mine
- completing permanent rectification works to the Morwell River Diversion.

This exemption takes effect on the date of this notice.

Minister for the Environment

Dated the 5th day of August 2021