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27 March 2015

Mr Nathan Childs General Manager Upstream SA EABU – Central Australia Santos Ltd 60 Flinders St Adelaide SA 5000

Attention: Louise Swann

Dear Nathan,

Re - Regulation 14 - Statement of Environmental Objectives (SEO) - Request for 5 Yearly Review - Extension Requests

DSD on the 12 March 2015 received a request from Santos Ltd (signed by Colin Cruickshank) for an extension date of the 30 June 2015 for the submission of the draft South Australian Cooper Basin Drilling and Well Operations EIR/SEO, Production and Processing EIR/SEO and PL2 Pipeline EIR/SEO five year review documents. This request was to ensure the documents are cohesive, allow for appropriate consultation, adequately reflect changes in the assessment of environmental receptors, incident definitions, updates to risk based classifications, and meets DSD's expectations.

DSD are prepared to grant the extension for the submission of the draft *Production and Processing EIR/SEO* and *PL2 Pipeline EIR/SEO* to the proposed date of 30 June 2015. It is expected that these documents will have been consulted on with relevant stakeholders prior to formal submission to DSD for consideration under the *Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Act* (the Act).

DSD is not prepared to grant the proposed extension for the *Cooper Basin Drilling and Well Operations EIR/SEO* on the basis that these draft documents were originally due for submission on the 30 June 2014 and DSD has since granted two separate extensions for the submission of these documents. DSD will provide an extension until the **24 April 2015**, no further extensions will be granted and if not received by this date DSD may issue a noncompliance with Regulation 14(1) of the Act.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact Jarrod Spencer via email at jarrod.spencer2@sa.gov.au or on (08) 8463 3588.

Yours sincerely

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