


NOTICE OF DECISION

This notice of decision is made under regulation 50(1) of the Environment Protection Regulations 2020 (EP Regulations)

Proposed action name	Ichthys LNG AGRU Upgrades and CCS Preparedness Project
Proponent name	INPEX Operations Australia Pty Ltd
NT EPA reference	EP2025/045
Nature of proposed action	Oil and Gas
Description of proposed action	<p>The proposal is for Stage 1 of development of a carbon dioxide (CO₂) compression and export system at Bladin Point. Works proposed in stage 1 include site-preparation, construction (including civil works, piling, drainage installation), and installation, pre-commissioning and cold commissioning of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • modularised equipment to upgrade the two existing acid gas removal units (AGRUs) • CO₂ compressor modules (including auxiliary vents) • an in-plant section of CO₂ export pipeline, export metering, and pipeline inspection gauge launcher • a modular building with combined electrical and control equipment to power and control the new facilities • a common dehydration module • a water treatment system/s, including water tanks, to treat and re-use water recovered from the CO₂ stream • supplementary power infrastructure (i.e. a small battery energy storage system, electrical power distribution system and cabling). <p>Once cold commissioning has been performed, the new CO₂ compression and export system equipment and infrastructure would remain in place, preserved until such time it could be connected to future offsite carbon capture and storage (CCS) infrastructure.</p> <p>Hot commissioning and operation of facilities will be subject to future referrals and are outside the scope of this proposal.</p>
Person authorised to make decision	<p>Lauren Townsend A/Executive Director Environment and Heritage Delegate of the NT EPA under section 36(1) of the Northern Territory <i>Environment Protection Authority Act 2012</i></p>
Decision	To accept the referral of a proposed action (Ichthys LNG AGRU Upgrades and CCS Preparedness Project) for standard assessment in accordance with regulation 44(1) of the EP Regulations.
Signature	
Date of decision	19 November 2025

Note

After this decision, the referral undergoes public consultation and consideration to inform the NT EPA's decision under regulation 58 of the EP Regulations on whether environmental impact assessment is required.