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## Ichthys LNG Project Reports Its Findings on Environmental Monitoring in Darwin, Australia

<u>INPEX CORPORATION</u> (INPEX), operator of the Ichthys LNG Project, and its joint venture partners have issued a set of scientific findings on the environmental impacts to marine and coastal areas of Darwin Harbour from dredging activities to the local relevant stakeholders. These dredging activities were completed in July 2014 as well as construction activities for the onshore LNG liquefaction plant at Blaydon Point near Darwin.

The findings are part of an ongoing marine environmental monitoring program that the Project participants have been conducting since 2012 in consultation with the Northern Territory and Commonwealth Governments of Australia. The monitoring program consists of 13 environmental programs including the monitoring of corals, mangroves, seagrass, dolphins, dugongs, turtles, fish and the water quality in Darwin Harbour.

We are pleased to report that the findings show that the impacts of the dredging program have been minimal and are either in line with or less than original predictions.

In addition, a study on biodiversity has resulted in the discovery of species not previously recorded as inhabiting the mangroves in Darwin Harbour, providing valuable data not only for INPEX, but also for researchers and the local community.

Results of the monitoring program are available <a href="here">here</a>.

INPEX is committed to operating in an environmentally responsible manner and continues to minimize the impact of its activities on the environment.



Dredging Wrap-up Presentation



Environmental monitoring of Darwin Harbour

## **About INPEX**

INPEX CORPORATION is a worldwide oil and gas exploration and production company based in Tokyo, Japan, with more than 70 active projects across 27 countries. Since 1966, INPEX has been growing steadily, from its core business areas in Australia and Indonesia to the Middle East, the Caspian Sea region, the Gulf of Mexico and North and South America. For more information, visit www.inpex.co.jp/english/index.html.

## **About the Ichthys LNG Project**

The Ichthys LNG Project is a Joint Venture between INPEX group companies (the Operator), major partner TOTAL and the Australian subsidiaries of Tokyo Gas, Osaka Gas, Chubu Electric Power and Toho Gas. Gas from the Ichthys Field, in the Browse Basin offshore Western Australia, will undergo preliminary processing offshore to remove water and raw liquids, including condensate. The gas will then be exported to the onshore processing facilities in Darwin via an 889km pipeline. The Ichthys LNG Project is expected to produce 8.4 million tonnes of LNG and 1.6 million tons of LPG per annum, along with approximately 100,000 barrels of condensate per day at peak. Detailed Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) of the Ichthys LNG Project is ongoing and production is scheduled to commence by the end of 2016.

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