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Dear Mr Rodda


**LOW LEVEL OFFICIAL SUPERVISION OF GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYING  
ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

Please be advised that pursuant to Section 7(1) under the schedule of the Petroleum Act 2000 (the Act), that those geophysical surveying activities undertaken by Origin Energy resources in its license areas within the Otway Basin of South Australia are classified as activities requiring low-level official supervision.

The environmental management objectives and processes that are contained in the Statement of Environmental Objectives for seismic operations in the Otway Basin, Report Book 2000/039 are directly relevant to other geophysical surveying activities such as ground gravimetric and magnetic surveys.

My decision to grant this status is aided by the long-standing satisfactory environmental performance of Origin Energy Resources Ltd in relation to its seismic surveying activities in its license areas in South Australia. I am therefore satisfied that Origin Energy Resources Ltd has clearly demonstrated sufficient competence in adequately complying with the requirements of the Act and its license conditions in respect to these other regulated activities.

Yours sincerely



**BARRY A GOLDSTEIN  
DIRECTOR, PETROLEUM**