Greenhouse Gas Storage Regulation 2021

Human Rights Certificate

Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the Human Rights Act 2019

In accordance with section 41 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, I, Scott Stewart MP, Minister for Resources provide this human rights certificate with respect to the *Greenhouse Gas Storage Regulation 2021* (the Regulation) to be made under the *Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2009*.

In my opinion, the Regulation, is compatible with the human rights protected by the *Human Rights Act 2019*. I base my opinion on the reasons outlined in this statement.

Overview of the Subordinate Legislation

The Regulation replaces the *Greenhouse Gas Storage Regulation 2010*. It is part of the legislative framework that governs the exploration for storage reservoirs, and the storage of greenhouse gases. It plays an important role in supporting the policy objectives of the *Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2009*. The Regulation sets out the requirements for work programs and development plans, reporting, notices, sample collection and prescribed rents and fees.

Human Rights Issues

Human rights relevant to the subordinate legislation (Part 2, Division 2 and 3 Human Rights Act 2019)

The Regulation does not engage with any human rights issues.

Consideration of reasonable limitations on human rights (section 13 Human Rights Act 2019)

As the Regulation does not engage any human rights, it does not limit any human rights and therefore it is not necessary to consider section 13 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

Conclusion

I consider that the *Greenhouse Gas Storage Regulation 2021* is compatible with the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not raise a human rights issue.

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