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Dear Sir/Madam,

SHARK-PLAN 2

This is a submission to the above.

This submission pertains to the impact of the project currently known as the **Victorian Desalination Project** on shark species.

A 'search' of the SHARK-PLAN 2 on the website of the DAFF does not reveal a mention of the impact of the project currently known as the **Victorian Desalination Project**.

This is a shortfall of the SHARK-PLAN 2, and must be rectified.

Technical Appendices, by the Proponent, in support of the Environment Effects Statement for the Victorian Desalination Project

Mention is made of **sharks** in Technical Appendices 22, 28 and 31 to the Environment Effects Statement for the Victorian Desalination Project.

**Victorian Desalination Project
Environment Effects Statement
Report of the Inquiry
to:
Minister for Planning
4 December 2008**

Mention is made of **sharks** in this Report.

**Victorian Desalination Project
Assessment
under
Environment Effects Act 1978
Minister for Planning
January 2009**

Mention is made of **sharks** in this Assessment.

**Thiess Suez Degremont
Environmental Management Plan
D + C Marine Area Environmental Management Plan
Sub plan
D + C Marine EMP Att I 4**

The enclosed is the only mention of **sharks** in the Victorian Desalination Project Environmental Management Plan (available at www.aquasure.com.au) and is a poor response by the **Thiess / Suez / Degremont / Aquasure** consortium, to the multiple mentions of **sharks** in the abovementioned Technical Appendices, Report and Assessment.

The SHARK-PLAN 2 is an opportunity to intervene in the construction, operation, and monitoring of the project currently known as the Victorian Desalination Project to ensure no impact on shark species, and a compliance with international obligations.

Yours faithfully,



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