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Dear Secretary,

Please find below links to two publicly available peer-reviewed Government Records that complete <u>Attachment A</u> of Geoscience Australia's Answers to Questions on Notice to the Environment and Communications Reference Committee's Inquiry on the impact of seismic testing on fisheries and the marine environment, 19 February 2020.

2014-041 "Potential impact of low-frequency sound from seismic operations on benthic communities in the Gippsland Basin"

Examining Fisheries Catches and Catch Rates for Potential Effects of Bass Strait Seismic Surveys

Please let me know if you require any additional information and thank you again for the opportunity to contribute to this inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

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