Application for a Pearl Oyster Farm Lease

Name of Applicant: Cygnet Bay Consolidated Pty Ltd

Details of Proposed Lease

Location of Lease: "West Cary Patch" (coordinates as in Appendix 1)

Size: 0.238 square nautical miles

Proposed Use: Bottom culture

Environmental Considerations (responses are directly from the application)

Benthic Habitat: The seafloor in the area is of a sand and grit composition with scattered areas of light garden (Image 1 & 2).

Water Movement/Circulation: The area has high tidal movement and exchange up to 9m during spring tides. The tide floods from the north west and ebbs in a south westerly direction (tidal flow map at Image 3).

Important Biological Resources: Some pelagic sea life is seen in the area, very little sea life recorded on the sea floor. The area is not a notable area for breeding or feeding of any species. The area has a history of being a pearling patch many decades ago.

Potential Environmental Impacts: As the sea floor is of sand, grit and light garden composition, there will be very little environmental impact on the sea floor.









WEST CARY PATCH (TRIAL SITE) CYGNET BAY CONSOLIDATED PTY LTD PEARL FARM LEASE - SITE PLAN

ALL THAT PORTION OF TERRITORIAL WATER WITHIN THE BOUNDARY DESCRIBED AND COLOURED GREEN ON THE PLAN BELOW COMPRISING A TOTAL WATER AREA OF 0.238 SQUARE NAUTICAL MILES OR 81.473 HECTARES

