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Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

NOTICE OF DECISION

Fisheries (Amendment) Regulations 2003

I, Bob Cameron, Minister for Agriculture and Minister responsible for administering the **Fisheries Act 1995**, give notice under section 12 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** as follows:

A Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) was prepared in relation to the proposed Fisheries (Amendment) Regulations 2003. The RIS was advertised to invite public comment. Twenty-five submissions were received and have been considered.

I have decided that the proposed Regulations should be made with the following amendments:

- amendment to the proposed offence to possess or to land dismembered rock lobster so that a person must not in, on or next to Victorian waters possess or land any rock lobster unless the tail and carapace of that rock lobster are attached to each other;
- removal of the proposed definition for “dismembered”;
- removal of the proposed offence to possess or use a coff for rock lobster by any person other than a person authorised to do so as the holder of a rock lobster fishery access licence;
- removal of the proposal in relation to tail clipping a lobster from boat based recreational fishing that would require rock lobster to be tail clipped before it is placed into a bag, basket or receptacle on board a boat;
- removal of the proposal to allow rock lobster and giant crab taken under a fishery access licence from Victorian waters to be landed at Currie, Tasmania; and
- amendment to the proposal to declare a drum with line and squid jigs attached as prohibited equipment in the ocean fishery to refer to a “mechanically powered” drum.

Dated 5 November 2003

BOB CAMERON, MP
Minister for Agriculture

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