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## NOTICE TO PROCESSORS

## Information on electronic reporting in the Blue Crab Fishery for fish processors accepting consignment of Blue Crab

Dear Registration holder

I write to provide an update on the implementation of electronic reporting for the Blue Crab Fishery.

A simple electronic catch reporting system has now been available for use since 19 May 2023 which enabled fishers to report their catch for Blue Crab electronically. In addition to this, fishers could also access eCatch through their myPIRSA portal and report their catch directly into eCatch. This change has resulted in a more effective an efficient management of the Blue Crab Fishery.

During the transition phase fishers were able to nominate the processor they were consigning their catch to electronically. As from 9 June 2023, this electronic process will replace the hard copy catch disposal record (CDR) currently sent with the consignment to the processor for Blue Crab.

Please be advised that as of 9 June 2023, fishers will no longer be required to submit a paper CDR to the processor and only electronic eCDRs are permitted for Blue Crab. Fish Processors will receive and be required to process their eCDRs via the MyPIRSA Portal eCatch platform.

Please find attached the updated Ministerial determinations for the processing of eCDRs through the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) eCatch electronic database.

If you have any queries, please contact PIRSA Fisheries and Aquaculture, Leasing and Licensing on (08) 8207 5332 or email <u>pirsa.ebusinessfisheries@sa.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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