# Manual Failover to a Physical Standby Database:

**1. Initiate the failover by issuing the following on the target standby database:**SQL> ALTER DATABASE RECOVER MANAGED STANDBY DATABASE FINISH FORCE;  
  
**2. Convert the physical standby database to the production role:**SQL> ALTER DATABASE COMMIT TO SWITCHOVER TO PRIMARY;  
  
  
**3. shut down the target standby database and restart it:**SQL> SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE;  
SQL> STARTUP;