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Dear Consultee

Consultation on the applicability of integrated pollution prevention and control to onshore oil exploration activities

1. I am writing to invite views on the applicability of integrated pollution prevention and control to onshore oil exploration activities.
2. The following documents may be found on Defra's Citizen Space website:
<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/atmosphere-local-environment-team/oil-exploration>
 - Consultation paper on the applicability of integrated pollution prevention and control to onshore oil exploration activities
3. This consultation concerns the proposed amendment of the interpretation and application of Part A(1) of Section 1.2 of Part 2 of EPR Schedule 1. The proposal seeks to clarify that paragraph 4 of Part A(1)(h), the loading, unloading, handling or storage of, or physical, chemical or thermal treatment of crude oil, Stabilised crude petroleum, does not apply to activities for which a petroleum exploration and development licence has been issued by the Minister pursuant to the Petroleum Act 1998.

Responses

4. Please use Citizen Space to submit your views on the Draft Report (Citizen Space is an on-line consultation tool to which the link is provided above) however you may also send us your views by email to control.pollution@defra.gsi.gov.uk and by post



to Defra, Industrial Pollution, Area 2C, Nobel House 17 Smith Square, London SW1P 3JR

5. The consultation will run from **Monday, 7 April 2014 up to Monday, 2 June 2014. Responses should be received by Monday, 2 June 2014.**

Consultation Criteria

6. This consultation is in line with the Consultations Principles. This can be found at <http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/consultation-principles-guidance>
7. When this consultation ends, we intend to keep a copy of responses. This is so that the public can see them. Also, members of the public may ask for a copy of responses under freedom of information legislation.
8. If you do not want your response - including your name, contact details and any other personal information – to be publicly available, please say so clearly in writing when you send your response to the consultation. Please note, if your computer automatically includes a confidentiality disclaimer, that will not count as a confidentiality request.
9. Please explain why you need to keep details confidential. We will take your reasons into account if someone asks for this information under freedom of information legislation. But, because of the law, we cannot promise that we will always be able to keep those details confidential.
10. We will summarise all responses and place this summary on our website at www.gov.uk/defra. This summary will include a list of names of organisations that responded but not people's personal names, addresses or other contact details.

To see consultation responses and summaries, please contact Nicholas Obe, Defra, Industrial Pollution, 2c Nobel House, London. SW1P 3JR. Telephone: 02072385304. Email: control.pollution@defra.gsi.gov.uk

11. If you have any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please address them to:

Defra Consultation Co-ordinator

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or email consultation.coordinator@defra.gsi.gov.uk.

12. Thank you for your help in this matter. If you have any queries please contact us as above.

Yours Faithfully

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