## ENVIRONMENTAL ALERT PROFORMA

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### INCIDENT / ALERT DETAILS:

The purpose of this Environmental Alert is to inform industry of a change to the out of hours incident reporting number for the Met Office. The time the out of hours service provided by the Met office starts has also changed.

### ALERT:

The OPRED out of hours incident reporting service is provided by the Met Office. The service contract was extended in July 2019 for the next three years. Due to a change in telephone systems at the Met Office, a new number has been assigned for the Out of Hours function.

The new Met Office number is: **0330 135 0010**

This number is now live and will replace the previous number (01392 886160), which will be phased out by 31 March 2020. Until 31 March 2020 either number can be used.

All Oil Pollution Emergency Plans (OPEPs) containing the Met Office number must be updated with the new Met Office number by 31 March 2020, which will be considered as a minor change to the OPEP.

Please ensure all required personnel in your organisation are aware of this change.

The out of hours service has now also switched over to the Met Office from 16:00 each working day.

### Further Information

Any queries relating to this alert should be addressed to:

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