



## ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PUBLIC STATEMENT 2017

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report is written to comply with the requirements set out in the OSPAR recommendation 2003/5. The scope of the report is to provide the Verus Petroleum UK Limited (Verus) annual public environmental statement for 2017 and is focussed on the environmental issues associated with operations which were directly under Verus control.

## 2.0 VERUS PETROLEUM UK LIMITED

Verus is a growing exploration and production company focussed on the UKCS. The portfolio is a mix of operated and non-operated production and exploration acreage and is shown in Figure 2-1. The operated Victoria Field ceased production on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016.



Figure 2-1: Verus Petroleum UKCS Assets

## 2.1 REFERENCES

REF	Document Number	Title
1.	VP-01-QZ-100-0001	Verus Petroleum HSE Policy
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## 2.2 DEFINITIONS

Abbreviation	Description
Verus	Verus Petroleum UK Limited
ALARP	As Low As Reasonably Practicable
HSE	Health, Safety and Environment
HSEMS	Health Safety and Environmental Management System
UKCS	United Kingdom Continental Shelf

### 3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Verus has a fit-for-purpose integrated Health, Safety and Environmental Management System (HSEMS) to ensure that all activities are managed in a safe and environmentally responsible way. The HSEMS provides assurance that all Verus activities are conducted in accordance with the company's HSE Policy shown in Figure 3-1.

The management system has been constructed to be compliant with recognised international standards for quality and environmental management (ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 respectively) and aligned with the guidance set out in HSG 65 for safety management systems.

In October 2016 the Environmental Management System contained within the HSEMS went through a successful OSPAR 2003/5 re verification audit which was undertaken by ERM CVS.

# VERUS PETROLEUM

## Health, Safety and Environment Policy

Our vision is to create a successful oil and gas company operationally active on the United Kingdom Continental Shelf. To achieve this, we shall ensure that all operations are performed with a goal of no harm to people, minimum impact on the environment and without damage to assets.

Responsibility for achieving and maintaining high standards of HSE starts with the Board of Directors and carries through line management to every employee and contractor engaged in Verus Petroleum Activities.

**Verus Petroleum shall ensure:**

- Management demonstrate effective leadership to promote a positive HSE culture
- Adequate HSE resources are made available to evaluate projects and deliver well planned and executed operations
- A risk-based methodology is implemented to identify, assess and manage significant HSE risks to levels that are as low as reasonably practicable and to prevent pollution
- Contingency plans for emergency situations are developed for all company assets
- All personnel are trained and competent for their roles
- Engagement with our operating partners, contractors and suppliers reflects the level of risk they bring to the business
- All applicable health, safety and environmental legislative and other requirements are met or exceeded
- The timely reporting and investigation of incidents and near misses to prevent recurrence and share lessons learnt
- HSE management and performance is regularly assessed, reviewed and audited to achieve continuous improvement
- Effective communication is maintained with all stakeholders

It is the responsibility of all employees, contractors and others engaged in work on our behalf, to comply with all principles of our Code.

Employees, contractors and others engaged in work on our behalf will be expected to comply with this policy.



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Chief Executive Officer  
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Figure 3-1: Verus Petroleum UK Limited HSE Policy.

#### 4.0 STRUCTURE

The scope of the HSEMS encompasses all Verus activities both onshore and offshore. The structure and content has been designed to enable critical activities to be identified and effectively managed such that risks to health and safety of personnel and adverse impact to the environment are reduced to a level deemed to be as low as reasonably practicable (ALARP).

Verus management is fully committed to the successful implementation and operation of all aspects of the HSEMS throughout all of its activities.

The system provides a flexible management framework through which the company can systematically identify and manage its HSE risks and opportunities, accommodating individual operational complexities, changing statutory and business requirements and the company's commitment to achieving continuous improvement. The key elements of the Management System Structure are set out below in Figure 4-1.

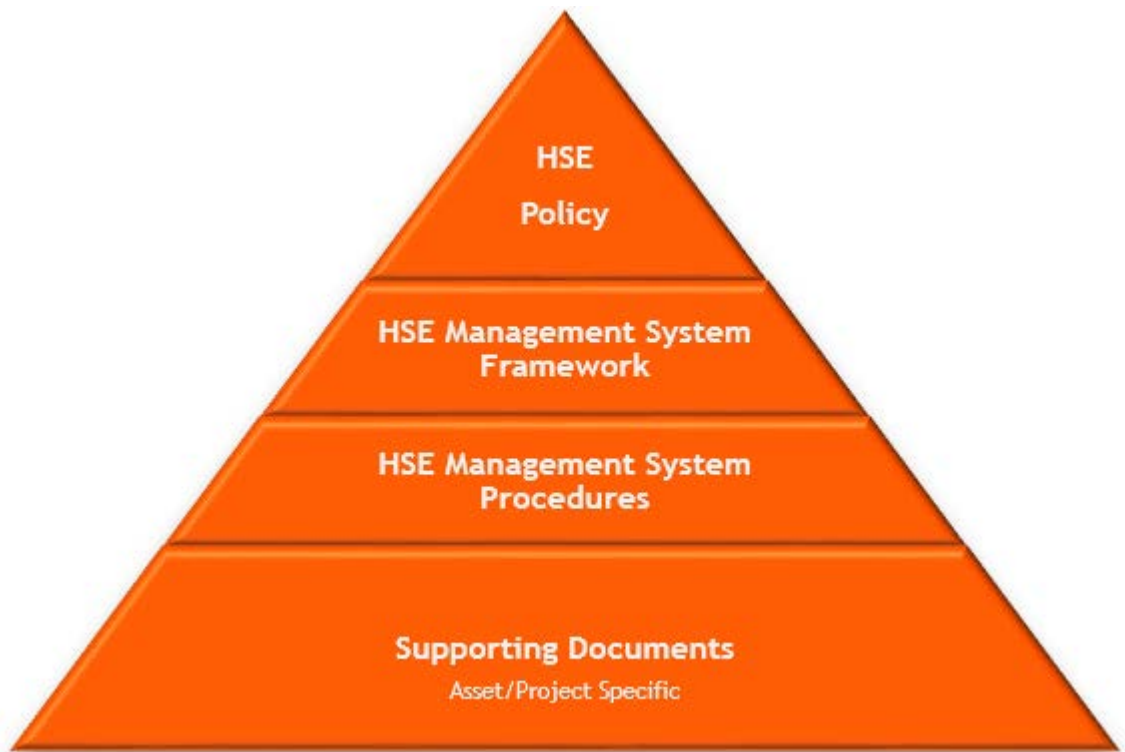


Figure 4-1: Verus Petroleum HSEMS Structure.

## 5.0 ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING

### 5.1 ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES, TARGETS AND PERFORMANCE

As an integral part of the company's continuous improvement process, specific environmental objectives and targets are developed and included in an annual plan. These specific objectives and targets are set in the context of:

- Compliance with existing and future legislation
- Meeting the commitments set out in the company HSE Policy and strategic objectives
- Assessment of risks associated with planned activities
- Past Performance

The 2017 specific Environmental Objectives and Targets are presented in Table 5-1 below.

Issue	Objective	Target	Status
Deliver Proactive Leadership	Ensure appropriate liaison with key stakeholders	Follow stakeholder management plan	Completed as required
	Review Environmental Performance	Board Meetings, Annual Review, Weekly	
Identification and mitigation of HSE risks and impacts	Risk Assessment	Quarterly Enterprise Risk Management Process	Complete as required
	Ensure robust Risk Assessments are completed for all major activities	Complete all necessary risk assessments in a timely manner	
	Full HSEMS Internal Audit	HSEMS review completed	
	Review Non op HSE Evaluation	Bi Annual assessment	
	Support HSE Due Diligence	Ensure E risks are identified	
	OSPAR EMS Reverification	Completed in October 2016	
Implement Intelligent Integrated Management Systems	Departmental shared drive data cleanse	Streamline data and add records to ViMS	Ongoing through 2017
	Review Legislative compliance	Legislation and Aspects and Impacts Registers Reviewed	Complete
Effectively Manage Operational Interfaces	Prepare for Victoria Decommissioning	Strategy and plan developed, Environmental Assessment commenced.	Ongoing
Develop a committed and Learning Organisation	Ensure all HSE related incidents are investigated and closed out	Ensure all high potential HSE incidents have identified root causes, actions are tracked to closure and lessons are learned	No HSE incidents in 2017

Table 5-1: Annual Environmental Objectives and Targets.

## 5.2 VERUS OPERATIONS

The HSE Management System is fully integrated into Verus business processes. On a rolling annual basis Verus develops a plan detailing the extent of its intended operational activities for the coming year.

Details of Verus operational activities for 2017 are listed below in Table 5-2.

Activity	Description	Block	Status
Gas production for the Victoria Field	Subsea Tieback to ConocoPhillips Viking Complex, production permits and consents managed by ConocoPhillips	49/17	Production ceased on 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2016. Asset is shut-in and export route disconnected

Table 5-2: Operational Activities.