



## Regulating Offshore oil and gas Installations during the Coronavirus (Covid-19) Outbreak – 17 April 2020 Update

1. The Offshore Petroleum Regulator for Environment & Decommissioning (OPRED) previously notified stakeholders of the action it was taking to ensure that our important role, as the UK offshore oil & gas environmental regulator, continues effectively during the COVID-19 pandemic. The health of our staff and that of stakeholders is uppermost in our minds, and as such, our approach follows advice from the UK Government, Public Health England and Health Protection Scotland, while taking into account the specific needs and characteristics of the offshore oil & gas industry. The previous notification can be found in the publication, COVID-19 position-Issued 08/04/2020.
2. With the UK Government confirming on 16 April 2020 that the period of lock down will be extended for a further three weeks, **OPRED are notifying stakeholders that they will continue to operate as previously communicated for the duration of this extension.** OPRED will keep the situation under review and updates will be communicated to industry via our website and or full range of online and offline communication channels. Until then, the approach set out in the previous notification, COVID-19 position-Issued 08/04/2020.