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Dear Sir / Madam

**THE OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION, PRODUCTION, UNLOADING  
AND STORAGE (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS  
2020  
PIPELINE PLU5062**

Your application reference PL/2060/0 (Version 5), dated 23rd March 2021 requested a screening direction for the above project.

The Department has considered that application and decided that a direction under the EIA 2020 regulations is not required for the above project. The attached comments set out the main reasons why a screening direction has not been issued. A copy of this notification will be forwarded to the application consultees, the Oil and Gas Authority and published on the gov.uk website.

If you have any queries in relation to this notification or the attachments, please do not hesitate to contact [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] or email the Environmental Management Team at [bst@beis.gov.uk](mailto:bst@beis.gov.uk).

Yours faithfully



## COMMENTS ON THE APPLICATION FOR SCREENING DIRECTION

The associated consent from the OGA for this project was submitted in 2020 which is prior to the **THE OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION, PRODUCTION, UNLOADING AND STORAGE (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2020** coming into force. This Direction application has therefore been rejected and an email direction approval under **THE OFFSHORE PETROLEUM PRODUCTION AND PIPE-LINES (ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS) REGULATIONS 1999 (AS AMENDED)** has been issued to APACHE NORTH SEA LIMITED.