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Dear Sir / Madam

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

**TOLMOUNT, Ensco 123 DRILLING PRODUCER WELL 42/28d-18** 

Your application reference DR/2091/0 (Version 2), dated 22nd March 2021 requested a screening direction for the above project.

The Department has considered that application and decided that an increase in the quantity of hydrocarbons flared does not constitute a 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 on or email the Environmental Management Team at bst@beis.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully

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## COMMENTS ON THE APPLICATION FOR SCREENING DIRECTION

The increase to the quantity of hydrocarbons flared is not considered by OPRED to constitute a project as defined within the 2020 EIA regulations. Accordingly no screening direction is requried.