## PUBLIC CONSULTATION NOTICE

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

## Teal West Development

Anasuria Hibiscus UK Ltd (AHUK) has made an application for consent to the Oil and Gas Authority ("the OGA") in relation to the above project. The OGA now operates under the business name of the North Sea Transition Authority (NSTA).

# Summary of Project

#### Proposed Location of the Project

UKCS Block 21/24d

•Water depth of 90m

•The distance to the nearest UK coastline (North East Scotland) is 155 km

•The distance to nearest international median line (Norwegian waters) is 87 km

#### Proposed Activities

•The proposed Teal West development is a new project in the Central North Sea (CNS).

•The Teal West prospect is proposed to be developed over three phases and involves the drilling of up to 2 production subsea wells in the Teal West field to extract oil and gas and one water injection well. The wells will be tied back to the existing Anasuria Floating, Production, Storage and Offloading (FPSO) vessel by 3.4 km flowlines. Oil will be exported to shore via offtake tankers and gas produced will be used as fuel offshore and the remaining gas will be exported to shore via the existing Fulmar Gas Line.

•The host facility will be the purpose built Anasuria FPSO, which was installed and commissioned in 1996. The Anasuria FPSO supports oil production, storage and gas export from the Guillemot A, Teal and Teal South and Cook Fields.

#### Proposed Timeline for Activities

•Drilling of first oil production well – Q3 2023 •Subsea installation – Q2 2024 •First Oil – Q2 2024 •Drilling of Water Injection well – Q3 2025 •Drilling of second oil production well – Q1/Q2 2027

•First oil (second producer) – Q3 2027

# **Environmental Impact Assessment and Consent Process**

The OGA is responsible for deciding whether or not to grant consent for the project, but agreement to the grant of consent must be obtained from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy ("the Secretary of State") prior to consent being granted. The Secretary of State's decision on whether to agree to the grant of consent is based on the environmental impact assessment for the project.

The range of possible decisions in response to the application of consent is:

(a) the Secretary of State agrees to the OGA's grant of consent following the Secretary of State's conclusion regarding the environmental effects of the

project, and the OGA grants consent, so the project may proceed; (b) the Secretary of State refuses to agree to the OGA's grant of consent following the Secretary of State's conclusion regarding the environmental effects

of the project, so the project may not proceed; or

(c) the Secretary of State agrees to the OGA's grant of consent following the Secretary of State's conclusion regarding the environmental effects of the project, but the OGA does not grant consent, so the project may not proceed.

Where the Secretary of State agrees to the grant of consent, conditions that AHUK must comply with may be attached to the agreement, including environmental conditions to avoid, prevent, reduce or offset any significant adverse effects on the environment, and measure to monitor such conditions.

Notice of the decisions of the Secretary of State and OGA decisions for the project will be published at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-2020-eia-regulations#environmental-impact-assessments-eia">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-2020-eia-regulations#environmental-impact-assessments-eia</a> where information on the Secretary of State's decision to agree to or refuse to agree to the grant of consent will also be made available.

#### Access to Further Information

Copies of this notice, the summary of the project and the Environmental Statement can be viewed and downloaded at <u>https://www.hibiscuspetroleum.com/asset-portfolio/united-kingdom</u> and at <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-2020-eia-regulations#environmental-impact-assessments-eia.</u> Access shall remain at least three months after the date on which the Secretary of State publishes the notice under Regulation 16(1) (publication of consent decisions).

A copy of the Environmental Statement and summary of the project may also be obtained by post or email.

Requests should be made to:

Anasuria Hibiscus UK Limited 210 - 214 Union Street Aberdeen AB10 1TL

Or by email to: john.fleming@hibiscuspetroleum.com Or by telephone on: 07513 018878

Any requests should be made by 15/10/2022.

#### **Public Consultation**

Representations, comments or questions relating to the project may be made to the Secretary of State by 15/10/2022 (as above). All representations should quote reference number ES/2022/006 and may be made by letter or by email to:

Business Support Team Offshore Petroleum Regulator for Environment & Decommissioning Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy AB1 Building Crimon Place Aberdeen AB10 1BJ

BST@beis.gov.uk

#### Judicial Review

A person aggrieved by the grant of consent for a project may apply to the Court for leave / permission to apply for judicial review of the relevant decision or decisions. The United Kingdom has three separate legal systems; one each for England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. The rules for any application for leave / permission to apply for judicial review may vary depending on where that application is made, but it is important to note that there are time limits for making any application and judicial review may only be available if the applicant has standing / a sufficient interest in the subject matter of the application. Further information about the process for seeking judicial review can be obtained from the Administrative Court (for England and Wales), the Court of Session (for Scotland) or the Judicial Review Office (Northern Ireland).