



Offshore Petroleum Regulator  
for Environment & Decommissioning

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Good Morning

Today we opened a consultation on the proposed Offshore Chemicals and the Offshore Petroleum Activities (Oil Pollution Prevention and Control) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020

This consultation invites comments on the proposed amendments to the Offshore Chemicals Regulations 2002 and the Offshore Petroleum Activities (Oil Pollution Prevention and Control) Regulations 2005 which address the issue of offshore oil and gas operators being unable to have relevant documents available for inspection at a UK address as a result of coronavirus restrictions.

Those who may be interested include the General Public and representative bodies for the UK offshore oil and gas industry such as Oil and Gas UK. Moreover, parties who are consulted on permit applications such as the Environment Agency, Natural Resource Wales, the Scottish Environment Protection Agency, Marine Scotland and the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science may be interested.

You can find the consultation document here;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/offshore-chemical-regulations-and-oil-pollution-prevention-and-control-regulations-covid-19-related-amendments-exempting-documents-from-being-made-pu>

The consultation closes 6 August 2020.

Regards

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