

Offshore Petroleum Production and Pipelines (Assessment of Environmental Effects) Regulations 1999 (as amended)

Tain Field Development

The Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy has been informed that Repsol Sinopec Resources UK Limited has submitted an application to the Oil and Gas Authority in relation to the above Tain Field Development located 35 miles from the north Aberdeenshire coastline, at 58° 07' 00.11" N, 01° 24' 01.23" W (Bleo Holm FPSO). In accordance with the above-mentioned Regulations, the project is subject to an environmental impact assessment procedure, and the application is accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Copies of the application for consent and the Environmental Statement may be inspected between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on business days at Repsol Sinopec Resources UK, 163 Holburn Street, Aberdeen, AB10 6BZ until close of business on 13/04/2020. Copies of the Environmental Statement may also be obtained from the address detailed above (subject to a discretionary charge of £2), or may be accessed via the internet at <https://www.repsolsinopecuk.com/operations#Bleo%20Holm>.

Interested parties have until the date specified above to make representations in relation to the Environmental Statement to the Secretary of State. All representations should quote the Department's reference number (D/4245/2019) and may be made by letter or e-mail to:

Business Support Team
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy
Offshore Petroleum Regulator for Environment & Decommissioning
AB1 Building
Crimon Place
Aberdeen
AB10 1BJ
Email: BST@beis.gov.uk

Following review of the Environmental Statement and any representations and/or additional information received, the Secretary of State will either agree to the grant of consent by the Oil and Gas Authority (with or without conditions) or refuse to agree to the grant of consent. Notice of the Secretary of State's and the Oil and Gas Authority's decisions will then be published in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes, and on the GOV.UK website. Copies of any representations received may also be made publicly available.

Within six weeks from the date of publication in the Gazettes of a decision to grant consent, any person aggrieved by the Secretary of State's decision may apply to the Court. The Court may grant an order quashing the grant of consent, an approval or the imposition of a relevant requirement where it is satisfied that the action was done in contravention of the requirement to consider the Environmental Statement, any other relevant information or any representations received from relevant authorities or other interested parties. The court may also grant such an order where the interests of the

aggrieved person have been prejudiced by a failure to comply with any other requirement of the Regulations. Pending determination of the application by an aggrieved person, the court may by interim order stay the operation of the consent, the approval or the relevant requirement.