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PREVIEW DOCUMENT

For the attention of the Managing Director

**PETROLEUM ACT 1998
INVITATION TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS UNDER SECTION 31(4)
SUBMARINE PIPELINES**

The Secretary of State is considering giving you a notice, under section 29 of the Petroleum Act 1998 (the "Act"), requiring you, at a date to be subsequently specified, to prepare an abandonment programme in respect of the submarine pipelines, and any associated apparatus, related to the Hamilton North as described in part B of the Schedule attached to this letter. In the event that the submitted programme is approved, each of the persons who submitted it will be jointly liable under section 36 of the Act for securing that the approved programme is carried out and that any conditions to which the approval is subject are complied with. This letter is to provide you with the formal opportunity (in accordance with section 31(4) of the Act) to make written representations as to whether such a notice should be given to you.

Section 29(1) of the Act empowers the Secretary of State, subject to the restrictions set out in sections 30 and 31 of the Act, to give notice to any of a wide group of persons, each of whom would consequently become jointly liable for the carrying out of any abandonment programme jointly submitted in response to the section 29 notice and subsequently approved by the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State is minded to give you a notice as a party falling within section 30(2) of the Act. The obligation to submit a programme would then be a joint obligation among those listed in part A of Schedule 1 attached to this letter.

In the event that a notice under section 29 of the Act is given to your company, you must, jointly with the others to whom such a notice is given, consult with the North Sea Transition Authority ("NSTA")¹, pursuant to section 29(2A) of the Act. The Secretary of State may also require you (again jointly) to carry out further consultations, pursuant to section 29(3) of the Act. A list of any such further consultation requirements will be issued to you prior to the submission of your abandonment

1. The North Sea Transition Authority is the business name of the Oil and Gas Authority

programme. When submitting an abandonment programme, you will be required to report the results of these consultations.

If you consider that you should not be given a section 29 notice in respect of any of the submarine pipelines described in part B of Schedule 1, or if there are persons other than those listed in part A who you believe should be given a section 29 notice in respect of any of the submarine pipelines, you should make representations, in writing, to the Secretary of State within [placeholder for CONSULTATION_PERIOD_DAYS] days of the date of this letter.

Yours faithfully
Section 29 Transaction Officer

Offshore Decommissioning Unit

Schedule 1

Date: 23 January 2025

Storage site: Hamilton North

Part A

Persons to whom notice is given

1. A/S NORSKE SHELL whose registered office address is TANKVEIEN 1 4056 TANANGER NORWAY, overseas company registration in NORWAY (Reg Ref. 914 807 077)

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Part B

Description of pipelines

Pipeline number	Pipeline description	Decommissioning scope
PL1772JK02	PWA ref: 10/W/00 PWA date: 23 Jul 2000	Pipeline and any associated apparatus.
PL1772	PWA ref: 10/W/00 PWA date: 23 Jul 2000	Pipeline and any associated apparatus.
PL1771JK02	PWA ref: 10/W/00 PWA date: 23 Jul 2000	Pipeline and any associated apparatus.
PL1771	PWA ref: 10/W/00 PWA date: 23 Jul 2000	Pipeline and any associated apparatus.

Further information regarding the pipeline(s) detailed above may be found in the applicable Pipeline Works Authorisation(s). For the purpose of this notice, a reference to Pipeline Works Authorisation(s) includes any approved variations which have been made or may be made to that Authorisation.

The notice also applies to:

- any sections of pipeline, which are, or may be taken, out of use,
- any sections of pipeline, which have been renumbered, and
- any replacement sections including those having co-ordinates other than those of the section replaced.