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**The Offshore Petroleum Production and Pipe-lines (Assessment
of Environmental Effects) (Coronavirus) (Amendment)
Regulations 2020**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>21st April 2020</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>22nd April 2020</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>23rd April 2020</i>

The Secretary of State has been designated for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972^(a) in relation to the environment^(b) and matters relating to the conditions for granting and using authorisations for the prospection, exploration and production of hydrocarbons^(c).

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of that Act.

Citation and Commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Offshore Petroleum Production and Pipe-lines (Assessment of Environmental Effects) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 and come into force on 23rd April 2020.

Amendment to the Offshore Petroleum Production and Pipe-lines (Assessment of Environmental Effects) Regulations 1999

2. The Offshore Petroleum Production and Pipe-lines (Assessment of Environmental Effects) Regulations 1999^(d) are amended as follows.

3. After regulation 10, insert—

(a) 1972 c. 68. The European Communities Act 1972 was repealed by section 1 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c.16) with effect from exit day, but saved with modifications until IP completion day by section 1A of that Act (as inserted by section 1 of the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020 (c. 1)). Section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 was amended by section 27(1) of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 (c.51) and by section 3(3) of, and Part 1 of the Schedule to, the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008 (c.7).

(b) S.I. 2008/301.

(c) S.I. 1994/1327.

(d) S.I. 1999/360. Relevant amending instruments are S.I. 2007/933, S.I. 2016/912 and S.I. 2017/582.