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Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2023 11:58 AM

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FYI you were left out of the email

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From: nopsema.gov.au>

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 26, 2023 11:50 AM

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See attached FYI ahead of this afternoon's discussion.

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From: woodside.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 26, 2023 11:48 AM **To:**<a href="mailto:nopsema.gov.au">nopsema.gov.au</a>

Subject: RE: Letter - Invitation to Comment - Draft Conditions - Scarborough 4D MSS EP



Apologies for the delay in getting this to you, please find attached a marked up copy of proposed condition amendments and associated comments as a basis for the proposed changes.

Please let me know if you require anything else.

Thanks,





Woodside Energy Mia Yellagonga Karlak, 11 Mount Street Perth WA 6000 Australia



From: nopsema.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 26 July 2023 11:19 AM

To: woodside.com.au>

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Hi

Just wondering if you are able to provide an ETA on the comments on conditions as discussed yesterday evening?

**Thanks** 



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From: woodside.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2023 4:47 PM

To: <a href="mailto:nopsema.gov.au">nopsema.gov.au</a>; <a href="mailto:q@woodside.com">q@woodside.com</a>> <a href="mailto:cc">Cc: q@woodside.com</a>

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Thank you for your time today and for the opportunity to comment on the draft Conditions for the Scarborough 4D MSS EP.

Please find attached our proposed amendments to the draft Conditions.

I have attached this as a clean document as it was challenging to read the marked up copy, let me know if you also require the market up edits for consideration.

Please let me know if you have any questions.



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Hi

Thanks for the email requesting an extension to the timeframe for providing comment on the draft Conditions for the Scarborough 4D MSS EP. Happy to grant the extension to COB 25 July 2023. However, please note that the decision is currently due 31 July 2023 and if the comments provided are complex we may need to extend the decision timeframe. As discussed in the meeting, the comments should be focused on the clarity of the Condition wording and it will make our decision finalisation process much more efficient if any new evidence relating to 11A consultation is excluded from the response, noting that this could be collected through inspection or Condition reports post EP acceptance.

Kind regards

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National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority | E: @nopsema.gov.au | W: nopsema.gov.au To assure the protection of lives and the environment offshore. For the latest news and information subscribe here. Acknowledgement of Country NOPSEMA recognises the First Peoples of this nation and their ongoing connection to culture and country. We acknowledge First Nations Peoples as the Traditional Owners, Custodians and Lore Keepers of the world's oldest living culture and pay respects to their Elders past, present and emerging. OFFICIAL From: woodside.com> Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2023 3:16 PM nopsema.gov.au>; To: woodside.com> Cc: nopsema.gov.au>; @nopsema.gov.au>; EnvironmentPlans < EnvironmentPlans@woodside.com>; woodside.com> Subject: RE: Letter - Invitation to Comment - Draft Conditions - Scarborough 4D MSS EP Hi Woodside would like to formally request an extension until COB Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July to provide a response on the draft conditions associated with the Scarborough 4D MSS EP. This is to allow a legal review to be completed and propose any amendments, if required. Please advise whether further justification is required to support this request. Kind Regards, Woodside Energy Mia Yellagonga Karlak, 11 Mount Street www.woodside.com Perth WA 6000 Australia From: nopsema.gov.au> Sent: Thursday, 13 July 2023 4:08 PM To: woodside.com.au>; woodside.com.au> Cc: nopsema.gov.au>; @nopsema.gov.au>; EnvironmentPlans < EnvironmentPlans@woodside.com.au>

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Hi

The assessment of the Scarborough 4D MSS EP has substantially progressed and before we make a decision we are providing an opportunity for Woodside to provide comment on a draft set of Conditions – see attached letter. We are requesting that any comments are provided by Thursday 20 July 2023.

If you have any questions or would like to request additional time please let me know.

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## **NOPSEMA Draft Condition**

1) Prior to commencement of the activity, the titleholder must undertake consultation with all First Nations groups identified in the EP to confirm whether there are people, who in accordance with Indigenous tradition, may have spiritual and cultural connections to the environment that may be affected by the activity and have not yet been consulted and to allow groups that have already been identified to provide any information that may inform the management of the activity. In undertaking this consultation, the titleholder must ensure

### that:

- a. The purpose of the consultation is communicated, and relevant persons are provided with a copy of the NOPSEMA Consultation on offshore environment plans Brochure as part of consultation.
- b. The method of consultation is informed by the relevant persons being consulted.
- c. If additional relevant persons are identified that have spiritual and cultural connections to the environment that may be affected by the activity, consultation with these people is undertaken in accordance with the NOPSEMA Guideline on Consultation in the course of preparing an environment plan (GL2086).

**Proposed Woodside Amendment** 

Propose split Condition in 3 as follows:

- 1. Prior to commencement of the activity, the titleholder must engage registered native title bodies corporate and representative Aboriginal / Torres Strait Islander bodies undertake consultation with all First Nations groups identified in the EP to confirm whether:
- a. They are aware of any there are people, who in accordance with Indigenous tradition, may have spiritual and cultural connections to the environment that may be affected by the activity that and have not yet been afforded the opportunity to consulted and to allow groups that have already been identified to provide feedback. any information that may inform the management of the activity. In undertaking this consultation, the titleholder must ensure that:
- b. There is any feedback on cultural features and/or heritage values.
- 2. The purpose of the engagement outlined in Condition 1 is to be communicated as part of the request, and relevant persons are provided with a copy of the NOPSEMA Consultation on offshore environment plans Brochure as part of consultation.

Woodside Comment

Suggest amendments to Condition 1 to clarify the steps required prior to commencing the proposed activity. This will enable Woodside to evidence compliance with the conditions if requested by NOPSEMA. We have suggested use of the word "engage" rather than "consult" to distinguish between consultation in the course of preparing an EP under reg. 11A with the further opportunity to provide feedback that is afforded by this condition.

Suggest the use of registered native title bodies corporate and representative Aboriginal / Torres Strait Islander bodies to be consistent with the Native Title Act and Woodside's EP.

Suggest removal of "The method of consultation is informed by the relevant persons being consulted" as this is already contained in the Brochure that is attached,

2) If new cultural and/or heritage features of the	<ul> <li>3. If at any time, as a result of compliance with Condition 1, relevant persons must be consulted in accordance with the NOPSEMA Guideline on Consultation in the course of preparing an environment plan (GL2086).</li> <li>4. At any time, prior to or during the activity, if If</li> </ul>	Suggest amendment to align with the
environment are identified that are not described in the EP, the titleholder must:  a. Ensure the environmental impacts and risks of the activity continue to be managed to as low as reasonably practicable and an acceptable level.  b. Notify NOPSEMA in writing within 7 days of these cultural and/or heritage features and the potential environmental impacts and risks.	new cultural and/or heritage features and/or heritage value of places within the environment that may be affected by the activity are identified that are not described in the EP, the titleholder must:  (a) Ensure the environmental impacts and risks of the activity continue to be managed to as low as reasonably practicable and an acceptable level.  (b) Notify NOPSEMA in writing within 7 days of these cultural and/or heritage features and/or heritage values of places and the potential environmental impacts and risks of the activity relevant to them.	definition of 'environment' in the Environment Regulations.  Condition 4 may or may not be triggered by Condition 1, hence it is proposed not to treat as a pre-requisite to the commencement of activities, as a 3 <sup>rd</sup> parties priorities and timing is subject to voluntary involvement.
3) The titleholder must submit a report to NOPSEMA no later than 14 days after the notification in Condition 2 which confirms the following:  a. The control measures that have been adopted to ensure that the environmental impacts and risks of the activity will be reduced to as low as reasonably practicable and an acceptable level.  b. The consultation that occurred with the relevant persons to develop these control measures,	<ul> <li>5. The titleholder must submit a report to NOPSEMA no later than 14 days after the notification in Condition 4 2 which confirms the following in relation to the new cultural features and/or heritage value of places:         <ul> <li>(a) The control measures that have been, or will be, adopted to ensure that the environmental impacts and risks of the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Suggest amendment to align with the definition of 'environment' in the Environment Regulations.  We have suggested this amendment to allow for reference to existing control measures as well as any additional measures.

including identifying measures that they considered as reasonably necessary to manage impacts on spiritual and cultural values in accordance with Indigenous tradition and the views of the relevant persons in relation to the control measures.	activity will be reduced to as low as reasonably practicable and an acceptable level.  (b) The consultation undertaken that occurred with any the-relevant persons to develop these control measures, including:  i. the control identifying measures that those persons they considered as reasonably necessary to manage impacts on the cultural features and/or heritage values spiritual and cultural values in accordance with Indigenous tradition; and  ii. the views of the relevant persons in relation to the control measures	
4) Adopt appropriate measures in response to the claim from the Buurabalayji Thalanyji Aboriginal Corporation as to the need for collaboration with BTAC on the identification, management and protection of the Thalanyji people's cultural features of the environment that may be affected by the activity;	which have been, or will be, adopted.  6. At any time, prior or during the activity, the titleholder is to adopt appropriate measures in response to the claim from the Buurabalayji Thalanyji Aboriginal Corporation as to the need for collaboration with BTAC on the identification, management and protection of the Thalanyji people's cultural features of the environment that may be affected by the activity.	Condition 6 is not a pre-requisite to the commencement of activities, as a 3 <sup>rd</sup> parties priorities and timing is subject to voluntary involvement.
5) The titleholder must ensure that the proposed spotter vessel with two trained and experienced marine fauna observers on board is utilised at all times during the survey.	Accept	No comments