



This document provides notification of NOPSEMA's decision made under regulation 10 of the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Environment) Regulations 2009 (Environment Regulations). In this instance, NOPSEMA is providing an opportunity to modify and resubmit the environment plan as it is not reasonably satisfied that the plans meets the acceptance criteria set out in the regulations.

Submission information

Titleholder ¹ :	INPEX Ichthys Pty Ltd	
Environment plan:	Ichthys Project Offshore Facility (Operations) Environment Plan	
Petroleum title(s)/Application number(s):	WA-50-L	
Date submitted to NOPSEMA:	09/02/2016	
Activities type(s) ² :	Operation of a facility used for the recovery or processing of petroleum	
Activity overview: As described on the NOPSEMA website.	Location	Wholly located within Commonwealth waters, approximately 390 km north of Derby, Western Australia in the North-west Marine Region (NWMR) of the Timor Sea.
	Anticipated hydrocarbon	Gas and condensate
	Activities	Preparing the central processing facility (CPF) and the floating production and storage offtake facility (FPSO) for the introduction of reservoir hydrocarbons, inclusive of testing and commissioning with non-field hydrocarbons.
		Preparing subsea infrastructure for the introduction of reservoir hydrocarbons, inclusive of testing and commissioning with non-field hydrocarbons.
		Conveyance of fluids, comprising gas, hydrocarbon condensate, MEG and produced water from the reservoirs by means of the subsea infrastructure to the CPF and FPSO.
		The FPSO regenerates monoethylene glycol (MEG) used during processing so that it can be recycled back to the subsea production system and wells.
		Start-up and operation of the CPF and FPSO using reservoir hydrocarbons, including transfer of condensate via an offtake hose to a shuttle tanker;



		and gas export up to the GEP.
		Inspection, maintenance and repairs (IMR) activities on the CPF, FPSO and subsea infrastructure, excluding well intervention or well workover activities.
	Expected activity commencement	October 2016
	Duration	The Ichthys Project has a design life of 40 years. This EP will cover continuous operations, 24 hours per day, for a period of up to 5 years from acceptance of this EP.
Decision:	Not reasonably satisfied	
Decision date:	26/08/2016	
Resubmission due date ³ :	25/09/2016	
Decision made by:	Representative of NOPSEMA: Environment Manager - Seismic & Production Operations	



Basis of decision

NOPSEMA has assessed the environment plan in accordance with its assessment policies and procedures. On completion of assessment, NOPSEMA has decided that it is not reasonably satisfied that the environment plan meets the criteria below as set out in regulation 10A of the Environment Regulations:

- (b) demonstrates that the environmental impacts and risks of the activity will be reduced to as low as reasonably practicable
- (c) demonstrates that the environmental impacts and risks of the activity will be of an acceptable level
- (d) provides for appropriate environmental performance outcomes, environmental performance standards and measurement criteria

Titleholder requirements

In accordance with regulation 10, the titleholder is required to modify and resubmit the environment plan. Upon resubmission of the plan, NOPSEMA will continue to assess the submission in accordance with its assessment policies and make a decision under regulation 10. After a titleholder has been provided with reasonable opportunity to modify and resubmit an environment plan, NOPSEMA will make a final decision on whether to accept or refuse to accept the environment plan.

How to get further information

If you have any further questions regarding the activity it is suggested you contact the titleholder's nominated liaison person for the activity.

If you would like to access any further information regarding this decision, or would like to contact NOPSEMA please email environment@nopsema.gov.au.

¹ A titleholder includes an applicant for a petroleum access authority, petroleum special prospecting authority, pipeline licence, greenhouse gas search authority or greenhouse gas special authority under sub-regulation 9(2).

² Activity type as listed in the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Regulations 2004

³ NOPSEMA sets the proposed timeframe for resubmission; after which NOPSEMA may determine a reasonable opportunity has been given and NOPSEMA may refuse to accept the plan. Titleholders can request an extended timeframe.