
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 1497

**The Offshore Oil and Gas Exploration, Production,
Unloading and Storage (Environmental
Impact Assessment) Regulations 2020**

Publication of Secretary of State and OGA decisions

16.—(1) Following the OGA's notification to the developer under regulation 15, the Secretary of State must promptly publish a notice containing the information in paragraphs (2) and (3) on a public website.

(2) The notice must state whether—

- (a) the Secretary of State has agreed to the OGA's grant of consent following the Secretary of State's conclusion regarding the environmental effects of the project, and the OGA has granted consent, so the project may proceed;
- (b) the Secretary of State has refused to agree to the OGA's grant of consent following the Secretary of State's conclusion regarding the environmental effects of the project, so the project may not proceed; or
- (c) the Secretary of State has agreed to the OGA's grant of consent following the Secretary of State's conclusion regarding the environmental effects of the project, but the OGA has not granted consent, so the project may not proceed.

(3) The notice must also state—

- (a) the public website at which the following information can be obtained—
 - (i) the Secretary of State's decision to agree to or refuse to agree to the grant of consent, setting out the information required by regulation 14(3) or (4) as applicable;
 - (ii) information about the public consultation process, including a summary of representations made to the Secretary of State in respect of the project under regulation 11, and regulations 12 and 13 where relevant, together with details of how those representations were taken into account;
- (b) an address, email address and telephone number at which the information in subparagraph (a) can be requested from the Secretary of State.

(4) The Secretary of State must promptly provide a copy of the notice to those authorities specified in regulation 11(1) (authorities likely to be interested).

Commencement Information

II Reg. 16 in force at 31.12.2020 immediately before 11 p.m., see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Offshore Oil and Gas Exploration, Production, Unloading and Storage (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2020, Section 16.