#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The Oil and Gas Authority (Levy and Fees) Regulations 2022

## PART 3

### The Oil and Gas Authority Fees

#### Amendments to the Oil and Gas Authority (Fees) Regulations 2016

- **10.**—(1) The Oil and Gas Authority (Fees) Regulations 2016(1) are amended as follows.
- (2) In regulation 2 (interpretation)—
  - (a) in the definition of "category 2 pipeline works authorisation variation", for "confirming that it has no objection to the permanent cessation of production from the relevant petroleum field or part of a petroleum field" substitute "receiving confirmation in writing of the last day of production from a relevant petroleum field or part of a petroleum field"; and
  - (b) for the definition of "extended well test" substitute—
    - ""extended well test" means any well test which-
    - (a) has a cumulative duration of fluid production of 96 hours or more; or
    - (b) produces a total of more than 2,000 tonnes of oil and, for these purposes, when oil is in a gaseous state 43,000 standard cubic feet is counted as equivalent to one tonne;".
- (3) In regulation 4 (fees payable for consents and pipeline works authorisations)—
  - (a) in the formulae in paragraphs (3), (8) and (11), for "£715" substitute "£670"; and
  - (b) in the table following paragraph (13), in the entry for the fee payable for an application for—
    - (i) a pipeline works authorisation, for "£2,575" substitute "£2,960";
    - (ii) a Category 1 pipeline works authorisation variation, for "£2,575" substitute "£2,960";
    - (iii) a Category 2 pipeline works authorisation variation, for "£1,275" substitute "£1,660";
    - (iv) a variation of holder, user, owner or Operator of a pipeline under a pipeline works authorisation, for "£1,275" substitute "£1,660";
    - (v) a consent to a pipeline deposit proposal, for "£975" substitute "£1,360"; and
    - (vi) a pipeline works authorisation and deposit consents granted following cessation of production from a petroleum field—

- (aa) for "cessation of production from a petroleum field" substitute "the OGA receiving confirmation in writing of the last day of production from the relevant petroleum field"; and
- (bb) for "£1,275" substitute "£1,660".
- (4) In regulation 6 (fixed fees payable for other consents), in the table following paragraph (3), in the entry for the fee payable for an application for—
  - (a) consent to the methodology proposed for the measurement of petroleum, for "£1,445" substitute "£1,380";
  - (b) consent to drill a primary well, for "£610" substitute "£770";
  - (c) consent to drill a sidetrack well branching off from the principal well to a target location different from that of the principal well, for "£590" substitute "£770";
  - (d) consent to fit or refit equipment in a well for the purpose of enabling hydrocarbon production or injection, for "£320" substitute "£420";
  - (e) consent to get petroleum from a licensed area, for "£990" substitute "£1,180";
  - (f) variation of a consent to get petroleum from a licensed area, for "£990" substitute "£1,180";
  - (g) consent to flare or vent petroleum from a well, for "£725" substitute "£930";
  - (h) variation of a consent to flare or vent petroleum from a well, for "£725" substitute "£930";
  - (i) consent for a well suspension, for "£590" substitute "£800";
  - (j) consent to put back into use any well subject to a well suspension, for "£320" substitute "£350":
  - (k) consent to abandon a well permanently, for "£1,025" substitute "£1,120";
  - (1) consent to a change of licensee of a petroleum licence, for "£610" substitute "£880";
  - (m) consent to a change of the beneficiary of rights granted by a petroleum licence, for "£610" substitute "£880";
  - (n) consent to the appointment of an operator under a petroleum licence, "£1,825" substitute "£730";
  - (o) consent to an extension of the initial, second or final term of a petroleum licence, for "£4,640" substitute "£5,480";
  - (p) consent to an extension of the final phase of the initial term of a petroleum licence, for "£4,640" substitute "£5,480";
  - (q) consent to the amendment of a work programme, for "£4,640" substitute "£5,480";
  - (r) consent to flare or vent natural gas from a relevant oil processing facility or a relevant gas processing facility, for "£300" substitute "£390";
  - (s) consent to a drill stem test, for "£400" substitute "£250"; and
  - (t) consent to an extended well test, for "£990" substitute "£860".
- (5) In regulation 6A(1) (fees payable for consent to retention or development area proposals), for "£1,340" substitute "£1,350".
- (6) In regulation 6B(1) (fees payable for determination of oil fields), for "£5,820" substitute "£5,740".
- (7) In regulation 6C (fees payable for metering examinations and tests), in the table following paragraph (3), in the entry for a fee payable for—
  - (a) a metering examination under a seaward area production licence, for "£3,240" substitute "£2,770";

- (b) a metering examination under a petroleum exploration and development licence for "£3,260" substitute "£2,770"; and
- (c) a meter flow calibration, for "£2,020" substitute "£1,380".
- (8) In regulation 7 (fees payable for applications for petroleum licences), in the table following paragraph (2) in the entry for a fee payable for an application for—
  - (a) a landward petroleum exploration licence, for "£1,480" substitute "£2,250";
  - (b) a seaward petroleum exploration licence, for "£1,480" substitute "£2,250";
  - (c) a methane drainage licence, for "£120" substitute "£180";
  - (d) a petroleum exploration and development licence, for "£3,955" substitute "£6,020"; and
  - (e) a seaward area production licence, for "£6,105" substitute "£9,210".
- (9) In regulation 8(1) (fees payable for applications for gas storage licences), for "£5,930" substitute "£9,030".
- (10) In regulation 9(1) (fees payable for applications for carbon dioxide appraisal and storage licences), for "£5,930" substitute "£18,060".