

Australia Pacific Liquefied Natural Gas project:

Coordinator-General's change report no. 2—Reporting

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Background

The Australia Pacific Liquefied Natural Gas project – Coordinator-General's evaluation report for an environmental impact statement (Coordinator-General's report) was released in November 2010, pursuant to section 35 of the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971 (Qld) (SDPWO Act).

On 18 September 2013, the proponent applied to the Coordinator-General to assess proposed changes to the Australia Pacific Liquefied Natural Gas (APLNG) project, under Division 3A, section 35B of the SDPWO Act. In accordance with section 35I of the SDPWO Act, the Coordinator-General has evaluated the environmental effects of the proposed change, its effect on the project and any other related matters, and prepared this Coordinator-General's change report.

Project				
The project proponent	Australia Pacific LNG (APLNG) (50:50 joint venture between Origin Energy and ConocoPhillips)			
The project	Australia Pacific Liquefied Natural Gas (APLNG) project			
Changes to the project				
Proposed change	roposed change APLNG applied to the Coordinator-General seeking changes to Appen 1, Part 3 (Social impacts), conditions 1, 2B, 2C, 4B, 4C, 4D, 5A and 5E the Coordinator-General's report, in relation to reporting requirements.			
	The proposed changes seek to align the project conditions with recent changes to government policy and the <i>Social impact assessment guideline</i> .			
Decision	The change to the project is approved as follows:			
	Delete Appendix 1, Part 3 (Social impacts), conditions 1 (Reporting, Review and Auditing Arrangements), 2B, 2C, 4B, 4C, 4D, 5A and 5B and replace with the condition specified in Appendix 1 of this report.			
Date of effect	The change to the project takes effect on the date this change report is signed.			
Decision authorised by				
Name and	Barry Broe			
Position	Coordinator-General			
Signature	Bary Boe 29-10-13			

Date of decision 29 October 2013

Pursuant to section 35J of the SDPWO Act, a copy of this report will be given to the proponent and a copy will be made available at: www.dsdip.qld.gov.au/assessments-and-approvals/aplng-project-changes.html

As per section 35K of the SDPWO Act, the Coordinator-General's report on the EIS for the project, and the Coordinator-General's change report, both have effect for the project. However, if the reports conflict, the Coordinator-General's change report prevails to the extent of any inconsistency.

Appendix 1. Amended conditions

Former condition (as stated in the Coordinator-General's evaluation report of November 2010)

New condition

Delete Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 1(2)

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Reporting, Review and Auditing Arrangements

- 2. With respect to the approved SIMPs the proponent must:
 - a) submit an annual progress report incorporating any amendments to the SIMPs. The actual date is to be mutually agreed by the proponent and the Social Impact Assessment Unit, Department of Infrastructure and Planning
 - b) undertake an external audit:
 - at the completion of the construction stage of the project
 - ii. periodically every 5 years after the commencement of the operational stage, and
 - iii. at project closure during the decommissioning phase of the project.
 - c) prepare and submit a report on each audit's findings to the Coordinator-General
 - d) submit all annual, periodical, and audit reports are to be submitted the Coordinator-General within 60 calendar days of completion of the relevant period.

The proponent may also elect to conduct additional internal reviews. The result of SIMP reviews will be reported in APLNG's 'Monitoring, Reporting and Review Program (MRRP)' and forwarded to the Coordinator-General.

Delete Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 2B(1)

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The proponent must:

 Within one month of Final Investment Decision being received by the third LNG project, the proponent must ensure the RCCC ToR includes APLNG's participation in the Industry Leadership Group for CSG Resource Projects and that regular reports will be provided to the RCCCs; and

Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 2B

The proponent must:

2. Participate and contribute to the CSG Industry monitoring Group

Renumbered Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 2B

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		ndition (as stated in the Coordinator- evaluation report of November 2010)	New condition
Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 2C(b) SIMP initiative in line with the draft SIMP commitments			Delete Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 2C(b)
(b)	 The proponent is required to provide not less than six monthly progress reports to all the RCCCs. 		
Ар	Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 4B(3)		Delete Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 4B(3)
3.	3. It is required that the Integrated Housing and Accommodation Strategy provide six monthly reports to year end 2015 to the Gladstone Regional Community Consultative Committee (RCCC).		
Ap	Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 4C(2)		Delete Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 4C(2)
2.	2. It is required that the Integrated Housing and Accommodation Strategy provide 6 monthly reports to the Western Downs and Maranoa RCCCs.		
Ар	Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 4D(4)		Delete Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 4D(4)
4.	It is required that six monthly reports on the affordable and community housing solutions is reported on to the Gladstone, Western Downs, Maranoa and Banana Shire RCCCs.		
Ap	pendix	1, Part 3, Condition 5A(2)	Delete Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5A(2)
The proponent's Community and Stakeholder Plan must include:			
2.	For the life of the project provide regular progress reports to the Gladstone, Banana, Maranoa and Western Downs Regional Community Consultative Committee (RCCCs) on:		
	a.	the Stakeholder Engagement Strategy including providing opportunities for the committees to provide input into community engagement activities in each region	
	b.	details of stakeholder issues and the effectiveness of engagement strategies in addressing these	
	C.	analysis of issues raised in the Issue Register including details on the actions taken by the proponent in addressing these issues, including mitigation strategies to respond to social impacts.	

Former condition (as stated in the Coordinator-General's evaluation report of November 2010)

Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5A

The proponent's Community and Stakeholder Plan must include:

3. For the life of the project, the proponent must gauge community satisfaction in regard to the quality and appropriateness of the project's community engagement strategies including: 1800 free-call service; project website; freepost service. This may include survey instruments; market research; community workshops and public information sessions

Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5A

The proponent's Community and Stakeholder Plan must include:

- 4. For the life of the project, the proponent must deliver consultation strategies such as:
 - a. workshops on key issues
 - b. community information sessions where members of the public can raise issues of concern
 - c. the development and delivery of a 'Project Newsletter' on a regular basis to provide updates, RCCC meeting dates and highlights; community engagement outcomes; contact points for community information and enquiries and the project's dispute resolution mechanisms.

Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5A

The proponent's Community and Stakeholder Plan must include:

 For the life of the project, the proponent must provide details of the engagement strategies that have been established with property owners and regarding land access/use issues.

Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5A

The proponent's Community and Stakeholder Plan must include:

6. For the life of the project, the proponent must provide details of the engagement strategies that have been applied to inform the community of issues and management strategies associated with noise, vibration, hazard and risk activities to people, property and the environment of abnormal events, natural hazards or accidents associated with construction and operation of the gas fields, pipeline and the LNG Facility.

New condition

Renumbered Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5A

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Renumbered Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5A

The proponent's Community and Stakeholder Plan must include:

 For the life of the project, the proponent must provide details of the engagement strategies that have been established with property owners and regarding land access/use issues.

Renumbered Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5A

The proponent's Community and Stakeholder Plan must include:

5. For the life of the project, the proponent must provide details of the engagement strategies that have been applied to inform the community of issues and management strategies associated with noise, vibration, hazard and risk activities to people, property and the environment of abnormal events, natural hazards or accidents associated with construction and operation of the gas fields, pipeline and the LNG Facility.

Former condition (as stated in the Coordinator-General's evaluation report of November 2010)

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The proponent's Community and Stakeholder Plan must include:

 Prior to the project closure and the decommissioning of the project component, APLNG must actively inform the community.

APLNG may provide a case to the Coordinator-General to alter, restructure or extinguish these arrangements after agreement by both government (facilitated through the Coordinator-General) and the proponent, following consultation with key stakeholders, including the Regional Community Consultative Committees (RCCC).

Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5B(4)

The proponent's Grievance and Disputes Resolution Policy must:

 The proponent's performance in management of complaints is to be included in the Progress Reports as specified in Condition 1.

Renumbered Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5A

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Delete Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 5B(4)

Appendix 1, Part 3, Conditions 1(2), 2B(1), 2C(b), 4B(3), 4C(2), 4D(4), 5A(2) and 5B(4)

Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 1(2)

Social Impacts Reporting Requirements

- 2. The proponent will provide an annual report to the Coordinator-General for five years after the commencement of construction describing:
 - a) the actions and adaptive management strategies to avoid, manage or mitigate project-related impacts on local and regional housing markets
 - b) the actions to enhance local employment, training and development opportunities
 - the actions to avoid, manage or mitigate project-related social impacts on local community services, infrastructure and community safety and wellbeing
 - d) the actions to inform the community about project impacts and show that community concerns about project impacts have been taken into account when reaching decisions

The annual report should also report on actions and management strategies addressing direct impacts arising from operational activities undertaken during the five-year reporting period.