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Your Reference: N/A

Mr Barry Broe
Coordinator-General
Office of the Coordinator-General
Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning
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Dear Mr Broe

Application for Change Request: CSG Industry Monitoring Group

Australia Pacific LNG appreciates the opportunity to work with the Coordinator-General to ensure our conditions remain relevant and meaningful for the project and the communities in which we operate.

Australia Pacific LNG seeks to progress a change request in relation to two conditions regarding our participation in the CSG Industry Monitoring Group, which we believe we are satisfying through alternative cumulative impact monitoring programs.

These are Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 2B(2) and Appendix 1, Part 1, Condition 13. As outlined below, Australia Pacific LNG remains committed to full and transparent engagement with our stakeholders and we believe we are more effectively meeting the intent of these conditions through other monitoring programs.

Given the proposed changes are intended to better align with the new Social Impact Assessment guideline and ensure continued relevance of the conditions to our project, Australia Pacific LNG requests your consideration that change report fees be waived on this occasion.

Thank you for the opportunity to review our conditions to ensure continued relevance. Please contact Social Development Manager Allison White on (07) 3867 0726 if you would like to discuss further.

Regards

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Chief Executive Officer
Australia Pacific LNG Pty Ltd

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Attachment 1 : Rationale for proposed change to Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 2B(2), and Appendix 1, Part 1, Condition 13 – Australia Pacific LNG will participate in the CIMG

In the Coordinator-General's Report on the Australia Pacific LNG project, Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 2B(2) and Appendix 1, Part 1, Condition 13 state that the project must participate in the CSG Industry Monitoring Group (CIMG) , once it is established. This includes contributing reports to the CIMG on cumulative impacts. Australia Pacific LNG understands the Coordinator-General is responsible for establishing the CIMG.

Australia Pacific LNG is committed to the intended outcomes of the CIMG, in relation to monitoring cumulative impacts. While the CIMG has not yet been established, Australia Pacific LNG is already participating with other proponents in monitoring cumulative impacts.

1. Gas Industry Social and Environmental Research Alliance (GISERA)
Australia Pacific LNG and CSIRO are founding members of GISERA which is taking a multi-proponent approach to research cumulative impacts of the Queensland CSG industry to inform future regulation and monitoring of natural gas developments. Specific research areas include surface and groundwater, agricultural land management, terrestrial biodiversity, marine environment and socio-economic impacts and opportunities. More information is available at www.gisera.org.au
2. University of Queensland Centre for Coal Seam Gas (CCSG)
Australia Pacific LNG also engages with the UQ Centre for Coal Seam Gas, which was established by UQ, Santos, Arrow and QGC to monitor cumulative impacts. Research focus areas include coal seam water treatment and usage, petroleum engineering, geosciences, social performance and community and environmental impacts. More information is available at www.ccsq.uq.edu.au

Additionally, Australia Pacific LNG participates in a range of other community and stakeholder forums including:

- APPEA;
- The Gladstone Healthy Harbors Partnership (GHHP);
- the Community Leaders Council South (and the North once it is established);
- the Gladstone Infrastructure Working Group (GIWG); and
- the Regional Community Consultative Committees (RCCCs).

Australia Pacific LNG understands the intended outcome of establishing the CIMG was to ensure effective, industry-wide monitoring of cumulative impacts. We believe our participation in the above-mentioned industry and research groups will best meet this outcome and prevent the need for the proposed CIMG.

We propose for the consideration of the Coordinator-General alternative wording for these conditions: Australia Pacific LNG to participate in cumulative impact monitoring program.