

Queensland Curtis LNG project:

Coordinator-General's change report no. 4 — SIMP reporting and auditing arrangements

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Background

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

On 18 October 2013, the proponent applied to the Coordinator-General to assess their proposed changes to the Queensland Curtis Liquefied Natural Gas (QCLNG) 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	Queensland Gas Company Ltd (QGC)
The project	Queensland Curtis Liquefied Natural Gas (QCLNG) project
Changes to the pro	pject
Proposed change	QGC applied to the Coordinator-General seeking changes to Appendix 1 Part 3 (Social impacts), Condition 1(4) of the Coordinator-General's report, in relation to reporting requirements.
	The proposed changes seek to standardise reporting timeframes with existing condition audit requirements, to remove any inconsistencies generated by social impact auditing requirements.
Decision	The change to the project is approved as follows:
	Delete Appendix 1, Part 3 (Social impacts), Condition 1(4b-d)
	Revised conditions are 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 authorise	ed by
Name and Position	Barry Broe
	Coordinator-General
Signature	Bary Bloc Date of decision 5 November 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/qclng-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 perceived inconsistency.

Appendix 1. Amended conditions

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

New condition

Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 1(4)

- 4. 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
 - 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
 - submit all annual, periodical, and audit reports to 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 BG Group's 'Social and Environmental Performance Report' and forwarded to the Coordinator-General.

Appendix 1, Part 3, Condition 1(4)

- 4. The proponent will provide an annual report to the Coordinator-General for five years after the commencement of construction describing:
 - a) the action 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.