



Oil & Gas Authority

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Helen Chuntso

By email to: request-513381-917d8083@whatdotheyknow.com

Our ref: FOI-2018-0048

25 September 2018

Dear Ms Chuntso,

Thank you for your email of 28 August 2018, in which you requested the following information:

"Dear Oil and Gas Authority,

I note from the following guidance you sent to me which is available at:

https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.ogauthority.co.uk%2Fmedia%2F4693%2Fmarch-2018%2Fconsolidated-onshore-guidance-compendium_vfinal.pdf&data=02%7C01%7Cfoirequests%40ogauthority.co.uk%7C3b6738f80a4e4e57b9e708d60cca1ebe%7Ce681c59d868e488780face36f1f21b0f%7C0%7C0%7C636710459571542472&sd=NYqXeJsf9aU3L9xf10MY7dN09qHAuDIqCfzE0afiM%3D&reserved=0

that p21 states that you require :

'A Board letter confirming scope of insurance or availability of necessary funds for any required remedial work'

Therefore, as per your previous response :

https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.whatdotheyknow.com%2Frequest%2Fcuadrilla_insurance%23incoming-1145265&data=02%7C01%7Cfoirequests%40ogauthority.co.uk%7C3b6738f80a4e4e57b9e708d60cca1ebe%7Ce681c59d868e488780face36f1f21b0f%7C0%7C0%7C636710459571542472&sd=ixTOulkzX%2F5LkzuFdgxvwah3UO4hrVjN248xSvVFkAI%3D&reserved=0

to my initial request

https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.whatdotheyknow.com%2Frequest%2Fcuadrilla_insurance%23outgoing-745792&data=02%7C01%7Cfoirequests%40ogauthority.co.uk%7C3b6738f80a4e4e57b9e708d60cca1ebe%7Ce681c59d868e488780face36f1f21b0f%7C0%7C0%7C636710459571542472&sd=i7bf%2FxlXsu2fZylT%2FWOGXY0SRvkih05p%2BvIRqV2Njw8%3D&reserved=0

I now make request the following information.

Oil and Gas Authority is a limited company registered in England and Wales with registered number 09666504 and VAT registered number 249433979. Our registered office is at 21 Bloomsbury Street, London, United Kingdom, WC1B 3HF.

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1) Please provide a copy of all email communications between OGA and Cuadrilla (Resources), detailing Cuadrilla's provision of the company insurance, to include

- i) the dates of all communications*
- ii) the extent of the policy cover - including the total total liability covered*
- iii) any exclusions to the policy.*

2) Please detail and explain how the insurance criteria of 'Energy Package - including Onshore Property and Operator's Extra Expense Public Liability, Pollution Liability and Products Liability Excess Public Liability, Excess Pollution Liability and Excess Product Liability'

provides cover for

- i) third party liability,*
- ii) environmental liability*
- iii) loss of well control*

Please provide confirmation

3) that you are satisfied that the insurance criteria on PEDL 165 are met by the operator

4) that 'an additional £40M limit for any one occurrence or series of occurrences' is satisfactory, (if this is still the 2018 limit)."

Your request is being considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 ('the EIRs') on the basis that the information you have sought disclosure of, does in our view, fall within the definition of 'environmental information' as stated in the EIRs.

However, to the extent that any of the information requested may not be environmental, we have also considered your requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). Accordingly, your requests have been dealt with under the terms of the EIRs and the FOIA

We are writing to advise you that the time limit for responding to your request for information needs to be extended.

Under the EIRs, we are required to respond to requests as soon as possible, and in any case no later than 20 working days after receiving a request. However, by regulation 7 the period of 20 working days may be extended up to a total of 40 working days if we reasonably believe that the complexity and volume of the information requested means that it is impractical to comply with a request within the earlier period or to make a decision to refuse to do so.

In respect of your request, we believe that regulation 7 applies. Therefore, although we shall not be able to respond fully to your request within the 20 working day period, we shall do so as soon as possible within the extended period.



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Under the FOIA a public authority is also permitted to extend the period of time in which to reply when it is necessary to consider a test of the public interest.

We hope to provide you with a response by 23 October 2018.

Yours sincerely,

Strategy Directorate