

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 225

REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, CHAP. 35:05

NOTIFICATION

MADE UNDER SECTION 35 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT

NOTICE OF SUBMISSION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON AN
APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL
CLEARANCE WHICH REQUIRES AN ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT ASSESSMENT SUBMITTED BY BHP BILLITON
PETROLEUM LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given that BHP Billiton Petroleum Limited (BHP Billiton) is desirous of drilling twenty (20) oil and gas exploration wells including associated subsurface evaluations within Blocks TTDA 14, 28, 29 and Blocks 23(a) and 23(b), Offshore, East Coast, Tobago, and that this project is deemed a designated activity pursuant to the Certificate of Environmental Clearance (Designated Activities) Order (as amended), thus requiring a Certificate of Environmental Clearance pursuant to section 35 of the Environmental Management Act, Chap. 35:05 (“the Act”). BHP Billiton has applied for a Certificate of Environmental Clearance (“the Certificate”) from the Environmental Management Authority (“the Authority”) for this project.

And take notice that the comments of the public are hereby invited on the application for drilling twenty (20) oil and gas exploration wells including associated subsurface evaluations within Blocks TTDA 14, 28, 29 and Blocks 23(a) and 23(b), Offshore, East Coast, Tobago, which requires an Environmental Impact Assessment.

And take notice that the Authority has, for the purposes of the Certificate and pursuant to section 28(1)(b) of the Act, established an Administrative Record that includes a written description of the proposed action, the major environmental issues involved in the matter under consideration, copies of relevant documents or other supporting materials which the Authority believes would assist the public in developing a reasonable understanding of those issues and of the Authority's reasons for the proposed action.

Notice of Submission for Public Comment on an Application for a Certificate of Environmental Clearance which requires an Environmental Impact Assessment submitted by BHP Billiton Petroleum Limited

And take notice that the Administrative Record is available to the public for viewing at the following locations from Monday 4th January, 2016 to Friday 5th February, 2016:

- (a) Environmental Management Authority, No. 8 Elizabeth Street, St. Clair, Port-of-Spain from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday;
- (b) Environmental Management Authority, 3rd Floor, Agate Building, No. 2 Adesh Drive, San Fernando-Siparia-Erin Road, Duncun Village, San Fernando from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday;
- (c) Department of Natural Resources and the Environment, Montessori Drive, Glen Road, Scarborough, Tobago from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday to Friday;
- (d) Roxborough Public Library, No. 24A Bloody Bay Road, Roxborough, Tobago from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Mondays, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday to Thursday and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Fridays;
- (e) Charlotteville Public Library, Corner New and Church Streets, Charlotteville, Tobago from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday; and
- (f) Scarborough Public Library, No. 11–13 Gardenside Street, Scarborough, Tobago from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday to Friday.

And take notice that the comments of the public are hereby invited on the application and that any person wishing to submit comments must do so in writing addressed to the Corporate Secretary, Environmental Management Authority, No. 8 Elizabeth Street, St. Clair, Port-of-Spain.

The Authority will receive public comments on the application from Monday 4th January, 2016 to Friday 5th February, 2016.

Dated this 31st day of December, 2015.

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