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DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY

NO. 6123 **14 April 2025**

PUBLICATION OF THE DRAFT REGULATIONS OF UPSTREAM PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2024 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

I, **SAMSON GWEDE MANTASHE**, **MP**, Minister of Mineral and Petroleum Resources, hereby publish the draft Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, No 23 of 2024 regulations for public comment.

Interested and affected parties are invited to submit written comments on the draft Regulations. The aforesaid comments must be marked for the attention of **Ms Stella Mamogale** and hand-delivered, emailed, or sent by post within 30 days of publication of this notice to the following addresses:

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Comments may also be sent via email to **Representations@dmre.gov.za**

A copy of the draft regulations of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 is attached hereto.

MR SAMSON GWEDE MANTASHE
DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES
DATE: 27/03/2025

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CHAPTER 1

DEFINITIONS

Definitions

1. In these Regulations, a word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act bears the meaning so assigned and, unless the context otherwise indicates—

"Act" means the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024);

"certification" shall refer to the approval documentation obtained from a recognized organization which has the necessary authority to assess if the applicant`s processes, systems, expertise, and experience is in accordance with set standards and processes from the standardization organization

"closure certificate" means a closure certificate issued in terms of section 84 of the Act;

"**Form"** means a document or standard form attached to the regulations as an Annexure;

"Gazette" refers to Government Gazette as defined in section 1 of the Interpretation Act, 1957 (Act No.33 of 1957);

"interested and affected party" means a natural or juristic person or an association of persons with a direct interest in the proposed or existing reconnaissance, exploration or production operation or who may be affected by the proposed or existing reconnaissance, exploration or production operation;

"lawful occupier" means a person who lawfully controls the property subject to an application;

"recognized organization or person(s)" refers to the person(s) or organization duly authorized and/or qualified to provide the assessment of the processes and/or systems

employed in executing a particular task or operation, or person(s) or organization duly authorized to issue the certification in accordance with the requirements of the standardization organization in question.

CHAPTER 2

PETROLEUM REGULATION

Manner of lodging application

2.(1) An application made in terms of the Act for a permit or right must be lodged with the Petroleum Agency by submitting the prescribed Form and the prescribed annexures, completed in a compatible electronic format to the Petroleum Agency's official website or by delivering to the specified physical address a printed copy of the prescribed Form and the prescribed annexures either by hand; or by registered post.

(2) An application contemplated in sub-regulation (1) must be accompanied by a signed and dated detailed plan of the block or blocks to which the application relates, in accordance with generally accepted standards, and must contain—

(a) the co-ordinates and spheroid of the block or blocks to which the application relates;

(b) the north point;

(c) the scale to which the plan has been drawn;

(d) the location and where applicable, the name and number of the block or blocks to which the application relates;

(e) the extent of the block or blocks to which the application relates:

(f) the boundaries of the block or blocks to which the application relates:

(g) surface structures and registered servitudes where applicable; and

(h) the topography of the block or blocks to which the application relates.

Notice to interested and affected persons by Petroleum Agency

3.(1) The Petroleum Agency, must after acceptance of an application contemplated in regulation 2, notify interested and affected parties of the application-

(a) by posting a notice at the Magistrate's Court of the magisterial district in which the land subject to the application is situated;

(b) by posting notices on notice boards at public libraries, municipal offices, and traditional council offices in the municipality in which the land subject to the application is situated;

(c) in the case where the land subject to the application is situated in—

(i) more than one province, by publishing a notice in a national newspaper;

(ii) more than one municipality, by publishing a notice in a newspaper that is circulated in the province where the municipalities are situated;

(iii) one municipality, by publishing a notice in a local newspaper circulated in that municipality.

(2) The Petroleum Agency may, in addition to the notices published in terms of sub-regulation (1), publicise the notice by way of press releases, the Internet, radio or television broadcasts, posters or leaflets.

(3) The notices referred to in sub-regulation (1) must be published in English and at least one other official language used by the majority of persons in the area where the land subject to the application is situated and must include—

(a) details of the applicant;

(b) the proposed exploration or production work activities including—

(i) methods of exploration or production;

(ii)the structures and equipment that will be used;

(iii) the approximate order in which the proposed activities will be carried out;

(iv) the proposed related activities; and

(v) the possible impact on the environment;

(c) an invitation to interested and affected persons to submit comments in writing on or before a date specified in the notice, which date may not be earlier than 30 days from the date of such notice.

(4) The Petroleum Agency must obtain and keep confirmation of the posting of the notices contemplated in sub-regulation (1)(a) from either—

(i) the Clerk of the Court; or

(ii) photographs taken by the responsible official.

(5) The Petroleum Agency must obtain and keep confirmation of the posting of the notices contemplated in sub-regulation (1)(b) from photographs of the notice taken by the responsible official.

Consultation with affected parties by applicant

4.(1) The applicant must by registered post notify the landowner, lawful occupier and affected parties of the accepted application and invite comments.

(2) In addition, the applicant must publish the notice referred to in sub-regulation (1) in the printed or electronic media, which may include press releases, the Internet, radio or television broadcasts, posters or leaflets.

(3) The notice and invitation to consult must provide—

(a) the name of the applicant, and the name, telephone number and e-mail address of the applicant's contact person; and

(b) must include—

(i) the location of the proposed activities, including a map that shows the location in relation to dwellings, public facilities and nearby urban centres;

(ii) a description of the proposed activities, including the methods of exploration and production, the structures and equipment that will be used, the approximate order in which the proposed activities will be carried out, the proposed related activities and the possible impact on the environment.

(4) If the applicant receives a response requesting a meeting with respect to an invitation to consult, the applicant must make reasonable efforts to meet with the respondents.

(5) The applicant must engage with the landowners, lawful occupiers and affected parties in good faith.

(6) The consultations must be conducted with the aim to reach agreement to the satisfaction of both parties regarding the impact of the application.

(7) The applicant must as soon as practicable provide each respondent with a written reply that includes—

(a) if applicable, a summary of the meeting with the respondent;

(b) a description of the revisions that will be made to the proposed activities based on the concerns raised by the respondent;

(c) statement advising that the respondent's response and the applicant's reply under this sub-regulation will be included in the written report to be submitted to the Petroleum Agency.

Proof of tracing owner, lawful occupier or successor in title

5.The applicant must submit proof of steps taken to trace the owner, lawful occupier, or successor in title by way of letters, e-mails, photos and any other form of document acceptable to the Petroleum Agency.

Application for reconnaissance permit

6. An application for a reconnaissance permit must contain—

(a) a completed **Form A**;

(b) the full particulars of the applicant;

(c) in the case of a company, documentary proof that the applicant has obtained the necessary authority to make the application in a representative capacity on behalf of the company;

(d) a registered description of the block or blocks to which the application relates;

(e) a clear statement of the technical motivation;

(f) a reconnaissance work programme contemplated in regulation 7 with estimated expenditure during the reconnaissance operations;

(g) documentary proof of the applicant's technical ability or access thereto to enable the applicant to conduct the proposed reconnaissance survey and to mitigate and rehabilitate relevant environmental impacts;

(h) documentary proof of the applicant`s ability to comply with health and safety requirements such as the applicant`s health and safety processes and procedures and copies of relevant certificates from recognised certification organization

(i) a description of how the applicant's technical ability will be provided by making use of in-house expertise, contractors and consultants on the proposed reconnaissance operation;

(j) a budget and documentary proof of the applicant's financial ability or access to funding which may include but is not limited to—

(i) loan agreements entered into for the proposed reconnaissance operation; and

(ii) any other mechanism or scheme providing for the necessary finances for the proposed reconnaissance operation;

(k) a list of existing rights and permits held by the applicant to be compiled in a table format that indicates the location with regard to the land or offshore area and the existing right or permit number for petroleum exploration or production;

(l) a certified copy or copies of the title deed or deeds, where applicable, in respect of the land to which the application relates; and

(m) any other information, data or documentation that the Minister may require in connection with information required under paragraphs (a) to (j).

Reconnaissance work programme

7.(1) A reconnaissance work programme must contain—

(a) a technical motivation why the reconnaissance permit is applied for in the area;

(b) an outline of the geological, geochemical, geophysical and other work to be performed;

(c)technical data detailing the reconnaissance method or methods to be implemented for the proposed reconnaissance programme;

(d) The estimated survey size(s), and in case of sample collection, an estimated number of and quantity of samples to be collected;

(e) an estimate of the expenditure to be incurred; and

(f) the programme for the marketing and sale of any data and conditions relating thereto which must be limited to a maximum period of 10 years.

(2) The reconnaissance work programme contemplated in sub-regulation (1) forms part of the reconnaissance permit where such permit is granted.

Report in respect of reconnaissance activities

8.(1) A holder of a reconnaissance permit must submit progress reports to the Petroleum Agency, detailing progress achieved as described in the reconnaissance work programme.

(2)A progress reports contemplated in sub-regulation (1) include the quarterly progress report:

(a) to be submitted 30 days following the end of the calendar quarter; and

(b) the annual report which must be submitted 60 following the end of the permit or after the anniversary date of the permit if the period is two years; or

(c) at the end of the period of the reconnaissance permit if the period of reconnaissance activities is less than 12 months.

(3) Furthermore, during the validity of the data marketing and sale agreement, the holder of the agreement shall submit quarterly data sales statements 30 days following the end of each calendar quarter.

Supply of data in respect of reconnaissance

9. A holder of a reconnaissance permit must, within 60 days from the date of such data and reports become available and in a format and medium agreed upon, supply the field and processed data to the Petroleum Agency together with the accompanying reports as

outlined in the latest data submission guidelines published on the Petroleum Agency website.

Application for petroleum right for production

10.(1) An application for a petroleum right in terms of section 43 of the Act must be lodged in accordance with regulation 2 of these Regulations and must include—

(a) a completed **Form E**;

(b) a letter motivating the application;

(c) an identification of whether the area is—

(i) onshore; or

(ii)offshore in shallow or deep waters;

(d) full particulars of the applicant;

(e) in case of a company or any form of business registered accordingly—

(i) documentary proof that the applicant has obtained the necessary authority to lodge the application in a representative capacity on behalf of the company or a registered business, as the case may be;

(ii) certified copies of valid company or business registration documents;

(f) in the case of joint venture or similar arrangements, documentation of the joint venture partners indicating that the applicant has received the necessary authority from the joint venture partnership to lodge the application on behalf of the joint venture partnership;

(g) where applicable, the registered description of the land to which the application relates and the certified copies of title deeds;

(h) documentary proof of the applicant`s financial ability or access to funding which may include—

(i) an approved budget for the proposed work programme activities;

(ii) a resolution from the company or business directors committing to making funds available to cover the costs of the work programme;

(iii) where applicable, the latest audited financial statements, compiled in accordance with the relevant standards;

(iv) loan agreements from the company or business shareholders or from any recognised funding or lending institutions; and

(v) any other mechanism or scheme providing for the necessary finances or guaranteeing the availability of funds to the applicant;

(i) documentary proof of the applicant`s technical ability or access thereto to conduct the activities optimally and in accordance with the work programme;

(j) in cases where operations such as drilling, surveys, field development activities and production activities will be involved, documentary proof that the applicant has systems in place and resources to comply with health and safety requirements;

(k) a work programme indicating the activities to be undertaken during the validity period of the petroleum right;

(l) a list of existing rights or permits held by the applicant which indicates their location; and

(m) proof of payment of the application fee.

(2) An application for a petroleum right for production must, in addition to the requirements set out in sub-regulation (1) include—

(a) a report on the quantified petroleum resources in the area compiled in accordance with the requirements of the latest Petroleum Resources Management System developed by the Society of Petroleum Engineers, American Association of Petroleum Geologists, World Petroleum Council, and the Society of Petroleum Engineers, clearly categorising the petroleum resources into the subgroups as provided for in the Petroleum Resources Management System framework;

(b) an independent endorsement of the report on petroleum resources referred to in paragraph (a) by a recognised organisation or person that has the skills to endorse such a report;

(c) a development plan that indicates how the field or resources will be developed, and in cases where the field or resourceswill be developed in phases, conceptual plans for the development phases must also be provided;

(d) for phased development, the comprehensive development plan for each phase will have to be submitted before the commencement of the development for that phase, and if it is materially different from the development plan submitted with the initial application for production, then an application for amending the development plan must be lodged to amend the initial field development plan;

(e) an independent endorsement of the development plan referred to in paragraph (c) and/ or (d) by a recognised organisation or person that has skills in developing petroleum field development plans;

(f) a comprehensive feasibility study report that includes the technical, commercial, and market analysis for the development concepts considered;

(g) an indication of when a market is expected to be secured if a market for petroleum has not been secured by the time the application is lodged;

(h) an economic analysis report of the field containing the details on the economic valuation of the development including the forecast or projected cash flows from the development and the forecast or expected profitability of the development;

(i) a time frame on when the field development is expected to commence, and when production of petroleum is expected.

(j) A local content plan as contemplated in section 58(3)(d) of the Act;

(k) a report reflecting the extent of compliance with the conditions of the environmental authorization during the last term of the exploration phase; and
a report on compliance with black persons and State participation requirements as required under section 31 and 34 of the Act, respectively.

(3) An application to progress to the next term of production in a petroleum right in terms of section 62 (2) of the Act must be done by completing **Form F** and be accompanied by the following-

(a) a detailed report on production operations including the quantities of petroleum produced in the previous term, expenditure incurred, revenue received and profits made;

(b) a report on the remaining quantities of petroleum and the expected production rates;

(c) field economics report indicating the expected revenues and profitability of the expected quantities of petroleum to be produced during the term;

(d) a report on holder`s compliance with the requirements of the environmental authorization, the rehabilitation to be completed and the estimated costs thereof ;

(e) a report on the compliance with the requirements of State participation and black person`s empowerment;

(f) a report on the compliance with the approved local content plan;

(g) a detailed production work programme for the term applied for, inclusive of estimated costs, and where applicable, the amended field development plan.

(4) In the case of an application for a petroleum right where only exploration and appraisal activities will be conducted, the work programme referred to in sub-regulation 1(k) must contain—

(a) a completed **Form B**

(b) full particulars of the applicant;

(c) an outline of the exploration or appraisal activities to be undertaken, separated into minimum commitment and additional or optional activities if any;

(d) a technical motivation why the activities on the work programme are proposed in the area ;

(e) if data acquisition in the form of surveys is proposed, the estimated sizes of the surveys;

(f) if geological or geochemical samples will be collected, the estimated quantities of these samples;

(g) a technical description of the activities to be undertaken including surveys or samples if applicable;

(h) an estimated budget and timeframe for the proposed activities.

(5) The work programme referred to in sub-regulation (3), if approved by the Petroleum Agency, will form part of the petroleum right in the case where the right is granted.

Application for approval to progress to next term of petroleum right (exploration and appraisal phase)

11.(1) An application to progress to the next term of a petroleum right in terms of section 46 of the Act must be lodged in accordance with regulation 2 of these Regulations and must include—

(a) a completed **Form C**;

(b) a map drawn in accordance with the requirements of regulation 2(2) showing the area applied for, and the relinquished area as required by the Act for each term;

(c) a letter motivating why the next term of the petroleum right is applied for;

(d) full particulars of the applicant;

(e) a work programme contemplated in regulation 11(1)(k);

(f) a detailed report on the exploration or appraisal activities undertaken in the first term of the petroleum right inclusive of the interpretation of the results and the actual expenditure incurred;

(g) a detailed report on compliance with the conditions of the environmental authorisation; and

(h) a detailed report on compliance with black persons empowerment and state participation.

Application for drilling permit

12.(1) An application for a drilling permit must be lodged with the Petroleum Agency—

(a) by registered mail; or

(b) on the online applications portal.

(2) An application for a drilling permit must include—

(a) a completed **Form D**;

(b) a drilling programme inclusive of well designs, casings programme, cementing programme, and integrity tests to be undertaken in the well;

(c) a sampling programme that includes all the sample types, quantities and methodology;

(d) drilling rig information including the certification of operation of the drilling rig by relevant institutions including certificates issued in terms of health and safety legislation; and

(e) documentation to prove that the applicant has systems in place and resources to comply with health and safety requirements.

Reports in respect of exploration phase

13.(1) A holder of a petroleum right must submit timeous accurate progress reports to the Petroleum Agency on a monthly, quarterly and annual basis.

(2) Monthly progress reports must be submitted within 7 days of the last day of the month.

(3) Quarterly progress reports must be submitted within 21 days of the end of the particular quarter of the year and must include—

(a) the employment statistics including the numbers of local and expatriate persons employed;;

(b) information on the work completed and money expended on operations;

(c) where there has been active operations such as surveys and drilling, the information on operations during that quarter including the number of wells drilled and the depth of the well(s) as of the end of the quarter;

(d) the formations penetrated and particulars regarding any occurrence of petroleum or any other mineral of potential value encountered in cases where there have been drilling operations; and

(e) a statement reflecting rehabilitation work completed and the rehabilitation work uncompleted.

(4) Annual progress reports must be submitted within 60 days from the anniversary date of the license and must include—

(a) a full report of the exploration operations carried out during the year;

(b) a detailed statement of exploration expenditure incurred during the year;

(c) a description of operations planned for the following year;

(d) a budget for exploration operations planned for the following year; and

(e) a statement reflecting rehabilitation work completed and rehabilitation work uncompleted.

Submission of production data

14. A holder of petroleum right must submit data to the Petroleum Agency in accordance with the latest data submission guidelines as published on the Petroleum Agency website, not later than 60 days from the date the results or interpretation of the information or data becomes available.

Application for retention permit

15. (1) An application for a retention permit in terms of section 69(1) of the Act must be lodged through a letter to the Petroleum Agency stating the reasons why the retention permit is required, and the period it is required for and must be accompanied by the following documentation:

(a) an economic report that shows that the produced gas cannot be commercially developed owing to reasons that affect the commercially of the development; or

(b) in case of other petroleum such as oil or condensate, the prevailing market conditions that would render the development of these petroleum uneconomical.

(2) The application for a retention permit must be lodged together with the application fee specified in regulation 39.

(3) An application for renewal of a retention permit in terms of section 72(1) of the Act, must be lodged a letter to the Petroleum Agency stating the reasons why the renewal of the permit is required and the period it is required, accompanied by the following documentation:

(a) In case of gas development, a comprehensive report on the search and the attempts to secure the market for gas and other commercial challenges encountered during the previous period of the permit; and

(b) a report of the prevailing market or economic conditions and/or outlook of these factors based on reliable data and/or information.

(4) The application for a renewal of a retention permit must be lodged together with the application fee specified in regulation 40.

Transferability and partitioning of rights

16.(1) To obtain the Minister's consent in terms of section 28(1) or section 30(2) of the Act, the right holder must lodge an application by completing and submitting a letter to the Petroleum Agency stating the reasons for partitioning the petroleum right.

(2) An application to transfer a petroleum right or an interest in a petroleum right or an application to partition a right must be accompanied by—

(a) certified copies of signed farm-out agreements or similar agreements;

(b) certified copies of valid company or business registration certificates;

(c) proof of financial ability of the transferee; and

(d) in the case where the transferee will be assuming operatorship of the petroleum right or the partitioned area or block, proof of technical ability and the ability of the transferee to comply with health and safety requirements.

Notarial execution of rights and permits

17. (1) A holder of a permit or right who is unable to notarial execute the granted permit or right or deed of amendment within 30 days from the notification date by Petroleum Agency, may apply for 30 days extension by sending a letter to the Petroleum Agency highlighting the reasons for the extension required.

Manner of declaration of a discovery and submission of the appraisal programme

18.(1) The holder of a right must notify the Petroleum Agency within 5 days of being aware that a discovery of petroleum may have been made.

(2) The notification referred to in sub-regulation 1 must include the preliminary analysis of wellsite information that indicates that the discovery may have been made, and include planned tests to be undertaken to confirm the discovery.

(3) The tests referred to in sub-regulation 2 must include at a minimum downhole sampling, and can include the drill stem tests.

(4) The representative of the Petroleum Agency must be onsite when the tests referred to in sub-regulation 3 are conducted, however, if the representative of the Petroleum Agency cannot be onsite, then proper records of the details of process followed in conducting the tests must be made available to the Petroleum Agency.

(5) The samples referred to in sub-regulation 3 must be analysed at a suitably accredited laboratory, and the declaration of a discovery can only be announced

when the laboratory results and the accompanying discovery declaration statement have been received and approved by the Petroleum Agency.

(6) Once the declaration of the discovery has been made, the holder of a right must if not already done so, within 100 days from the notification date referred to in sub-regulation 1, submit the discovery report containing the details of the tests undertaken including the interpretation thereof, and an indication of whether the discovery is worthy of appraisal.

(7) If the holder of the right elects to appraise the discovery, it must within 180 days from the date of submitting the discovery report or within the extended timeframe approved by the Petroleum Agency, submit an appraisal work programme.

(8) If the holder elects not to appraise the discovery, it must in accordance with sections 54(4) and (5) of the Act, relinquish the area encompassing the discovery.

(9) The holder of the right, can however, in accordance with section 54(7) of the Act apply for the exemption from the requirements of section 54(4) of the Act by sending a detailed technical motivation to the Petroleum Agency.

Application for a permit to produce petroleum and conduct well tests

19(1) An application for permission to produce petroleum and conduct tests in terms of section 53(2) of the Act must be lodged in accordance with regulation 2(1), and must include the following-

(a) A completed **Form H**;

(b) A technical motivation why the application for well tests or permit to produce petroleum is required;

(c)A detailed well test(s) programme document including volumes or quantities of petroleum to be produced and the type of equipment to be used;

(d) The duration of the planned tests or petroleum production;

(e) An environmental authorization where it is required; and

(f) Proof of payment of an application fee.

Application for a closure certificate

20.(1) In accordance with applicable legislative requirements for cessation of operations, decommissioning of the production facilities, the holder of a petroleum must ensure that -

(a) the closure of petroleum operations incorporates a process which must start at the commencement of the operations and continue throughout the life of the operations;

(b) risks pertaining to environmental impacts must be quantified and managed pro-actively, which includes the gathering of relevant information throughout the life of petroleum operations;

(c) the safety and health requirements in terms of Upstream Health and Safety regulations are complied with;

(d) residual and possible latent environmental impacts are identified and quantified;

(e) the land is rehabilitated, as far as is practicable, to its natural state, or to a predetermined and agreed standard or land use which conforms with the concept of sustainable development; and

(f) the wells or petroleum separation or production facilities are effectively decommissioned .

(2) An application for a closure certificate in terms of section 84 (3) of the Act must be lodged in accordance with regulation 2 (1) of these regulations and must include the following –

(a) a completed **Form I**;

(b) a closure plan ;

(c) an environmental risk report; and

(d) a performance assessment report.

(3) An application for the transfer of environmental liabilities and responsibilities as contemplated under section 84 (2) of the Act must be done by completing **Form J and** be accompanied by supporting documentation indicating to whom the transfer of environmental liabilities and responsibilities is made.

(4) The competent person to whom the transfer of environmental responsibilities and liabilities is made must have –

(a) have the expertise, resources and organisational abilities to integrate risk assessment, risk management and risk financing to ascertain the cost of environmental management;
(b) have the expertise, financial and other resources to meet his or her obligations to carry out actions necessary to fulfil the environmental obligations as set out under the environmental authorization; and
(c) have appropriate experience in environmental management, petroleum exploration, development and production and in petroleum health and safety matters.

Application for amendment for permits, work commitments, programmes and plans

21.(1) An application for amending permits, work commitments, programmes and plans must be lodged in accordance with regulation 2 (1) and must contain-

(a) completed **Form G** ;
(b) document highlighting reasons for an amendment applied for;
(c) amended plans, programmes, or document highlighting amendments applied for;
(d) if amended plans will result in increase in scope of work, then attach proof of access to financial resources and technical ability; and
(e) health and safety documentation if the activities will require field-based work such as surveys, drilling, development and production activities.

Submission of local content plan

22.(1) Before including the local content plan in the application for approval to progress to the production phase, there must be a public participation process with host communities and interested and affected parties to ensure that it addresses the relevant needs of all relevant stakeholders.
(2) The consultation process on the contents of the local content plan must be conducted in terms of the public participation process referred to in regulation 4(1) to (3).

Contents of local content plan

23. (1)The contents of a local content plan must include—

(a) a preamble which provides background information of the upstream petroleum operation or company in question;

(b) a skills development plan which identifies and reports on—

(i) contributions made to the upstream training trust and opportunities provided to the beneficiaries of the Trust' bursary funding as part of the Human Resource Development programme of the company;

(ii) the number and education levels of the applicant employees;

(iii) the number of vacancies; and

(iv) a recruitment, training and skills transfer plan for South African Black persons;

(c) a career progression plan and its implementation in line with the skills development plan and the needs of the empowerment groups;

(d) a mentorship and coaching plan and its implementation in line with the skills development plan and the needs of the empowerment groups;

(e) an internship, artisan training or learnership, vocational training and bursary plan targeted towards the empowerment groups and its implementation in line with the skills development plan;

(f) the employment equity statistics and the holder's plan to achieve Black persons participation including women, in all levels of management;

(g) provision for co-existence with fishermen's where applicable;

(h) procurement targets and procurement progression plan and its implementation for local and Black persons companies in terms of enterprise development, consumable goods and services;

(i) measures to address the housing and living conditions of the holder's employees;

(j) measures to address the nutrition of the holder's employees; and

(k) a local economic development programme which must include—

(i) the social and economic background of the area in which the holder operates (mostly applicable for onshore operations);

(ii) the key economic activities of the area in which the petroleum operation is located (onshore operations);

(iii) the socio-economic impact that the petroleum project would have in the host area and black persons;

(iv) the infrastructure and poverty eradication projects that the operation will undertake in line with the Integrated Development Plan of the areas in which the operation is located; and

(v) the needs of the community or communities affected by the proposed operation.

CHAPTER 3
PETROLEUM HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATION

Health and safety obligations of right holder

24.(1) The right holder must take reasonable steps to prevent injuries, ill-health, loss of life or damage of any kind from occurring at or because of the upstream petroleum operations.

(2) The right holder may entrust the functions contemplated in sub-regulation (1) to any qualified operator who must perform such functions subject to the control and directions of the right holder.

Duties of operator

25. (1) The operator appointed in terms of section 104 of the Act must—

(a) ensure that all activities carried out in and around the petroleum facility are conducted in a manner that does not pose any risk to the health and safety of employees and other persons at the facility;

(b)ensure that the petroleum facility is designed, constructed and equipped to provide a safe and healthy working environment and has the necessary communication system, electrical, mechanical and other equipment installed;

(c) compile an annual report on health and safety matters at the petroleum facility including the statistics on health and safety incidents and the annual medical report; and

(d) submit the report referred to in paragraph (c) in an appropriate form, to the Petroleum Agency.

Establishment of health and safety policy

26.(1) Every right holder must develop a health and safety policy that—

(a) describes the organisation of work;

(b) ensures the protection of employees' health and safety at work;

(c) addresses the safety of persons who are not employees but who may be directly affected by petroleum activities; and

(d) provides for a review of the policy.

(2) The right holder must consult with the health and safety committee when developing the policy referred to in subregulation (1).

(3) The right holder must—

(a) display a copy of the policy in a prominent and accessible location; and

(b) furnish each health and safety representative with a copy of the policy.

Duties of employees

27. Every employee, while at a petroleum facility, must—

(a) take reasonable care to protect their own health and safety;

(b) take reasonable care to protect the health and safety of other persons who may be affected by any act or omission of that employee;

(c) use and take proper care of protective clothing, and other health and safety facilities and equipment provided for the protection, health or safety of that employee and other employees;

(d) report promptly to their immediate supervisor any situation which the employee believes presents a risk to the health or safety of that employee or any other person, and which the employee cannot properly deal with;

(e) co-operate with any contractor/s to permit compliance with the duties and responsibilities placed on such contractors in terms of the Act; and

(f) comply with prescribed health and safety measures.

Risk assessment

28.(1) The right holder, or where applicable, the operator of a petroleum facility must conduct a risk assessment of every operation or part of the operation to—

(a) identify hazards to health or safety to which employees may be exposed while they are at work;

(b) assess the risks to health or safety to which employees may be exposed while they are at work;

(c) record hazards identified and risks assessed;

(d) communicate identified significant hazards and risks to employees; and

(e) make records available for inspection by employees.

(2) The right holder or operator must determine and implement measures, including changing the organisation of work and the design of safety systems of work, necessary to—

(a) eliminate any recorded risk;

(b) control the risk at source;

(c) minimise the risk; and

(d) in so far as the risk remains—

(i) provide for personal protective equipment; and

(ii) institute a programme to monitor the risk to which employees may be exposed.

(3) The right holder or operator must submit to the Petroleum Agency records of hazards identified and risks assessed including the measures contemplated in subregulation (2).

(4) The right holder or operator must—

(a) periodically review the hazards identified and risks assessed, including the results of occupational hygiene measurements and medical observation, to determine whether further elimination, control and minimisation of risk is possible; and

(b) consult with the health and safety committee or health and safety representative, or employees in the absence of the health and safety committee or safety representative when undertaking the review.

Investigations

29.(1) Every holder must—

(a) investigate every—-

(i) accident that must be reported in terms of this regulation;

(ii) serious illness; and

(iii) health-threatening occurrence;

(b) commence an investigation referred to in paragraph (a) within 24 hours from the date of such accident, serious illness or health threatening occurrence;

(c) conduct the investigation in co-operation with the health and safety representative or employees responsible for the working place in which the investigation takes place.

(2) The holder must—

(a) on completion of each investigation, prepare a report that—

(i) identifies the causes and the underlying causes of the accident, serious illness or health-threatening occurrence;

(ii) identifies any unsafe conditions, acts, or procedures that contributed in any manner to the accident, serious illness or health-threatening occurrence; and

(iii) makes recommendations to prevent a similar accident, serious illness or health-threatening occurrence; and

(b) submit a copy of the report referred to in paragraph (a) to the Petroleum Agency within 30 days from the date of the accident, serious illness or health-threatening occurrence being investigated.

(3) An investigation in terms of sub-regulation (1) must be completed within 30 days after the accident, serious illness or health-threatening occurrence being investigated or such longer period as the Principal Inspector of Upstream Petroleum Operations may permit.

(4) The holder must notify the Petroleum Agency of any accident or occurrence at an operation that results in—

(a) serious injury;

(b) illness; or

(c) death of any person,

to allow the Petroleum Agency to instruct a petroleum health and safety inspector to investigate simultaneously or jointly with the holder as required in sub-regulation (1).

(5) In the event of an incident in which a person died, or was injured to such an extent that he or she is likely to die, or suffered the loss of a limb or part of a limb, no person may without the consent of the Petroleum Agency, disturb the site at which the incident occurred or remove any article or substance involved in the incident: Provided that an article or substance may only be removed if it is necessary to—

(a) prevent any further incident;

(b) remove the injured or dead; or

(c) rescue any person from danger.

Emergency preparedness and response

30.(1) The right holder or operator of a petroleum facility must—

(a) develop, implement and maintain an emergency preparedness and response plan to prevent, manage and respond to dangerous and emergency situations and accidents which may lead to loss of life, injury, damage to property, or affect the health of persons;

(b) take the necessary measures to prevent or reduce harmful effects, including the measures required to return the environment to the condition it was prior to the accident or emergency.

(2) An emergency preparedness plan contemplated in sub-regulation (1) must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency before any operations commence on site.

(3) The right holder must develop emergency preparedness and contingency plans providing security measures to protect petroleum and gas exploration and production facilities and wells from deliberate attacks.

Emergency preparedness coordination and cooperation

31.(1) The right holder or operator must ensure that the emergency preparedness plan is—

(a) coordinated when more than one vessel, aircraft or facility is used at the same time, or when there are operations conducted on the neighboring acreage or right area; and

(b) designed for coordination with the State's and public emergency preparedness resources.

(2) In the event of an emergency incident threatening the health and safety of persons, the right holder or operator must cooperate with other right holders to ensure adequate and effective emergency preparedness and response.

(3) The Petroleum Agency may stipulate conditions for cooperation, including the financial responsibilities of the various right holders in an emergency preparedness and response.

Safety case for installations

32.(1) Production installation must be conducted in a manner that ensures that a high level of safety is achieved and maintained in accordance with the best international practice, technological developments, and applicable health and safety standards and guidelines.

(2) The right holder or operator must before any facility is constructed, installed, operated or decommissioned, develop and submit to the Petroleum Agency, a safety case which identifies safety critical aspects of the facility, both technical and managerial, assesses and evaluates risks and provides control and management measures, to reduce risks to as low as is reasonably practicable.

(3) The safety case must be developed for each phase of development.

Occupational hygiene

33.(1) The right holder or operator must engage the part-time or full-time services of a person qualified in occupational hygiene techniques to measure levels of exposure to hazards at the upstream petroleum operation.

(2) Every system of occupational hygiene measurement must—

(a) be appropriate, considering the hazards to which the employees are or may be exposed; and

(b) be designed so that it provides information that the employer can use in determining measures to eliminate, control and minimise the health risks and hazards to which employees are or may be exposed.

(3) The right holder or operator must keep a record of all occupational hygiene measurements in terms of sub-regulation (1) in a manner that can be linked, as far as practicable, to each employee's record of medical surveillance.

Medical surveillance

34.(1) The right holder or operator must establish and maintain a system of medical surveillance of employees exposed to health hazards.

(2) Every system of medical surveillance must—

(a) be appropriate, considering the health hazards to which the employees are or may be exposed;

(b) be designed so that it provides information that the right holder or operator can use in determining measures to—

(i) eliminate, control and minimise the health risk and hazards to which employees are or may be exposed; or

(ii) prevent, detect and treat occupational diseases; and

(c) consist of an initial medical examination and other medical examinations at appropriate intervals.

(3) Every right holder or operator who establishes or maintains a system of medical surveillance must—

(a) engage the part-time or full-time services of an occupational medical practitioner;

(b) supply the practitioner with the means to perform his or her functions; and

(c) keep a record of medical surveillance for each employee exposed to a health hazard.

(4) The right holder or operator must inform the inspector of Upstream Petroleum Operations, in writing, within seven days of the appointment of the occupational medical practitioner.

(5) The information submitted in terms of sub-regulation (4) must include—

(a) the name of the occupational medical practitioner;

(b) his or her practice number; and

(c) whether the occupational medical practitioner is engaged full-time or part-time.

(6) An occupational medical practitioner must take every reasonable measure to—

(a) promote the health and safety of employees; and

(b) assist employees in matters related to occupational medicine.

(7) If an employee is declared unfit to perform work as a result of an occupational disease, the right holder or operator must investigate in terms of regulation 29.

(8) If an employee is temporarily unfit to perform work as a result of an occupational disease, but there is a reasonable expectation that the employee's health will improve so that the employee can return to work, the occupational medical practitioner must record and notify both the right holder or operator and employee of the reasonable expectation.

(9) The right holder or operator must-

(a) retain records of the safety case referred to in regulation 32 until the upstream petroleum operation closes; and

(b) when the upstream petroleum operation closes, deliver those records to the Petroleum Agency.

Right to leave dangerous working place

35.(1) An employee has the right to leave a working place whenever—

(a) circumstances arise at that working place which, with reasonable justification, appear to that employee to pose a serious danger to the health or safety of that employee; or

(b) the health and safety representative responsible for that working place directs the employee to leave that working place.

(2) The right holder or operator, after consulting the health and safety committee or health and safety representative at the upstream petroleum operation, must determine effective procedures for the general exercise of the right to leave a working place granted by sub-regulation (1), and those procedures must provide for—

(a) notification of supervisors and health and safety representatives of dangers which have been perceived and responded to in terms of sub-regulation (1);

(b) participation by representatives of employer and representatives of the employees in endeavoring to resolve any issue that may arise from the exercise of the right to leave a working place referred to in sub-regulation (1);

(c) participation, where necessary, by an inspector or technical adviser to assist in resolving any issue that may arise from the exercise of the right to leave a working place;

(d) where appropriate, the assignment to suitable alternative work of any employee who left, or refuses to work in, a working place contemplated in sub-regulation (1); and

(e) notification to any employee who has to perform work or is requested to perform work in a working place contemplated in sub-regulation (1) of the fact that another employee has refused to work there and of the reason for that refusal.

(3) If there is no health and safety committee or health and safety representative at an upstream petroleum operation, the consultation required must be held with the right holder or operator's employees.

(4) The right holder or operator must determine minimum requirements for the procedures contemplated in sub-regulation (2) in consultation with the Petroleum Agency.

Health and safety standards and guidelines

36. The Petroleum Agency must within 12 months from the date of enactment of these Regulations, release standards or guidelines on—

(a) general health and safety requirements at the operating facility;

(b) safety standards and certification of petroleum facility installations;

(c) safety standards for the maintenance of sub-sea and surface petroleum facilities and wells;

(d) prevention of fires and explosions at the petroleum facility, and

(e) the handling of hazardous material and chemicals at the petroleum facility

CHAPTER 4
APPEALS

Appeals against administrative decisions

37.(1) A person who appeals in terms of section 99 of the Act against an administrative decision, must—

(a) lodge at the Petroleum Agency a written notice of appeal to the Director-General or to the Minister, as the case may be;

(b) serve, in terms of section 100 of the Act, a copy of the notice of appeal on any other person whose rights may, in the opinion of the appellant, be affected by the outcome of the appeal and who must be listed in the notice of appeal, and in writing, inform such person of such person's rights in terms of sub-regulation (8); and

(c) notify the Director-General or the Minister, as the case may be, in writing, that a notice of appeal has been lodged at the Petroleum Agency and submit a copy of such notice to the Director-General or to the Minister, as the case may be.

(2) The Petroleum Agency must—

(a) within 20 days after receiving a notice of appeal, identify any other person whose rights may, in the opinion of the Petroleum Agency, be affected by the outcome of the appeal and who is not already listed in the notice of appeal received in terms of subregulation (1);

(b) give written notice to the appellant of the identity and contact details of such further affected person;

(c) submit a copy of the notice contemplated in paragraph (b) to the Director-General or the Minister, as the case may be; and

(d) require the appellant to serve, in terms of section 99 of the Act, a copy of the notice of appeal on such further identified person within 14 days of receipt by appellant of the Petroleum Agency's notice in terms of paragraph (b).

(3) The Director-General or the Minister as the case may be, may, upon application and on good cause shown, condone and extend the time periods prescribed in this regulation.

(4) The notice of appeal must be accompanied by an affidavit which must—

(a) clearly identify the decision appealed against;

(b) clearly set out the grounds on which the appeal is based;

(c) list the affected persons contemplated in sub-regulation (1)(b); and

(d) be accompanied by supporting documentation referred to in the affidavit.

(5) The appellant must submit proof of service to the Petroleum Agency with copies to the Director-General or to the Minister, as the case may be.

(6) The appeal must be accompanied, or followed within 14 days of lodgement, by the payment of a non-refundable appeal fee referred to in regulation ….

(7) The Petroleum Agency must, not later than 10 days after receipt of a notice of appeal, send copies of all records pertaining to the decision or decisions which are the subject of the appeal to the appellant, to all identified affected persons, and to the Director-General or to the Minister, as the case may be.

(8) A third party receiving a copy of an appeal referred to in sub-regulation (1)—

(a) may, within 30 days of receipt of the copy of the appeal, submit an answering affidavit to the Petroleum Agency and a copy thereof to the Director-General or to the Minister, as the case may be, and serve on the appellant a copy of the answering affidavit setting out—

(i) the extent and nature of his or her rights;

(ii) how the outcome of the appeal may affect his or her rights; and

(iii) any other information pertaining to the grounds of appeal set out in the notice of appeal; and

(b) must, within a period of the 30 days, notify the Director-General or the Minister, as the case may be, in writing, that such answering affidavit was filed, together with proof of submission and service thereof.

(9) The appellant after having received a copy of the record of decision as contemplated in sub-regulation (7) and after receiving any answering affidavit from affected parties referred to in sub-regulation (8)—

(a) may, within 30 days after receipt of the affidavit referred to in sub-regulation (8), submit to the Petroleum Agency, together with proof of service of a copy thereof on the affected party or parties, an amended notice of appeal relating to aspects

flowing from the record of decision, or a replying affidavit to any answering affidavit; and

(b) must give written notice to the Director-General or to the Minister, as the case may be, that an amended notice of appeal or a replying affidavit has been submitted to the Petroleum Agency, together with proof of service of a copy thereof on the affected parties.

(10) The Petroleum Agency must within 20 days of filing by the appellant of his or her replying affidavit, submit to the Director General or to the Minister, as the case may be, copies of—

(a) the notice of appeal with all required annexures;

(b) proof of service in terms of sub-regulations (5) and (9)(a);

(c) all documentation pertaining to the decision or decisions subject to the appeal as contemplated in sub-regulation (7);

(d) all answering affidavits received from third parties who may be affected by the outcome of the appeal, if any; and

(e) an amended notice of appeal or replying affidavits by the appellant, if any.

(11) All notices required to be given to the Director-General or to the Minister, as the case may be, in terms of this regulation must be forwarded to the following addresses:

Postal Address:
Petroleum Agency of South Africa
Heron Place, Heron Cl
Century City
Cape Town
7441

Tel: 0219383500
Email address: plu@petrolemagencysa.com

FOR ATTENTION: THE CHIEF DIRECTOR: LEGAL SERVICES
Physical Address:
Department of Mineral and Petroleum Resources
2nd Floor, Block 2 B

Trevenna Campus
c/o Meintjes & Francis Baard Streets
Sunnyside

(12) The Director-General or the Minister, as the case may be, must, within 60 days of receipt of all information contemplated in sub-regulation (10) either—

(a) confirm the administrative decision concerned;

(b) set aside the administrative decision concerned with or without a remittal with or without directions, of the matter to the decision-maker for reconsideration;

(c) amend the administrative decision concerned; or

(d) substitute any other administrative decision for the administrative decision concerned.

(13) The Director-General or the Minister, as the case may be, must, within 14 days after the appeal decision has been made, notify the appellant, affected parties and the Petroleum Agency, of the decision and the reasons for the decision.

(14) The provisions of these Regulations relating to appeals do not apply to appeals lodged prior to the coming into operation of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Regulations, 2025.

Administrative Penalty

38. The Director-General must, in writing, notify the holder of a decision taken in terms of section 103(2)*(b)* of the Act within 30 days after the decision was taken.

CHAPTER 5
APPLICATION AND EXPLORATION FEES FOR ONSHORE AND OFFSHORE PETROLEUM RIGHTS AND PERMITS

Onshore and offshore application fees

39(1) Onshore application fees payable under the Act shall be as follows:

Application/Permit Type	**Amount (Rand)**
Reconnaissance Permit	20 640
Petroleum Right or Petroleum Right Renewal for exploration/appraisal phase	30 960
Petroleum Right for Production	51 600
Drilling Permit	10 000
Production and/or well test permit	5 000
Transfer of a petroleum right or interest in it	30 000
Retention Permit	51 600

(1) Offshore application fees payable under the Act shall be as follows:

Application/Permit Type	Amount (USD or Rand equivalent)
Reconnaissance Permit	USD 3598 or Rand equivalent
Petroleum Right or Petroleum Right Renewal for exploration/appraisal phase	USD 4112 or Rand equivalent
Petroleum Right for Production	USD 4626 or Rand equivalent
Drilling Permit	USD 1000 or Rand equivalent
Production and/or well test permit	USD 5000 or Rand equivalent
Transfer of a petroleum right or interest in it	USD 2000 or Rand equivalent
Retention Permit	USD 4626

(2) Application fees in sub-regulations 1 and 2 above are as per base year 2025 and will increase by an annual average headline Consumer Price Index, year-on-year for Rand and USD respectively.

(3) Application fees in sub-regulations 1 and 2 shall be transitioned from the prevailing application fees, as determined by the relevant regulations under the Mineral and

Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) and shall be subject to adjustment in accordance with any future amendments."

Onshore and Offshore exploration fees

40. The exploration fees payable as contemplated in section 50(f) of the Act, are as follows:

Onshore

The exploration fees for onshore rights listed on the tables below are as per base year 2024 and will increase by the annual average headline South African Rand (ZAR) Consumer Price Index (CPI), year on year. The applicable adjusted rates will be from 1April every year and will be published on the Petroleum Agency's website. The increase will be effective on the anniversary date of the petroleum right and subsequent renewal.

The rates in the tables below shall be transitioned from the prevailing exploration fees rates, as determined by the relevant regulations under the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) and shall be subject to adjustment in accordance with any future amendments

Initial Period:

CATEGORY	*A*	*B*
Areas in hectares	*0-1000*	*1001- greater*
Year	*Minimum annual amount (R)*	*Rate R/hectares*
1.	*2064,00*	*2,06*
2.	*2683,20*	*3,10*
3.	*2992,80*	*4,13*
4. *(Frontier Petroleum Right)*	*5000*	*5*
5. *(Frontier Petroleum Right)*	*6000*	*6*

First Extension Period:

CATEGORY	*A*	*B*
Areas in hectares	*0-1000*	*1001 - greater*
Year	*Minimum annual amount (R)*	*Rate R/hectares*
1.	*7000*	*7*
2.	*8000*	*8*
3. *(Frontier Petroleum Right)*	*9000*	*9*

Second Extension Period:

CATEGORY	*A*	*B*
Areas in hectares	*0-1000*	*1001- greater*
Year	*Minimum annual amount (R)*	*Rate R/hectares*
1.	*10*	*10*
2.	*11000*	*11*
3. *(Frontier Petroleum Right)*	*12000*	*12*

Third Extension Period:

CATEGORY	*A*	*B*
Areas in hectares	*0-1000*	*1001- greater*
Year	*Minimum annual amount (R)*	*Rate R/hectares*
1.	*13000*	*13*
2.	*14000*	*14*
3. *(Frontier Petroleum Right)*	*15000*	*15*

All hectares will be rounded to the nearest hectare by rounding up if the fraction is 0,5 hectare or more, or otherwise by rounding down.

Offshore

The exploration fees for offshore petroleum rights listed on the tables below are as per base year 2025 and will increase by the annual average headline United State Dollars (USD) consumer price index (CPI), year on year. The applicable adjusted rates will be from 1 April every year and will be published on the Petroleum Agency's website. The increase will be effective on the anniversary date of the petroleum right and subsequent renewal period.

The rates in the tables below shall be transitioned from the prevailing exploration fees rates, as determined by the relevant regulations under the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) and shall be subject to adjustment in accordance with any future amendments

Initial Period:

CATEGORY	*A*	*B*
Initial Petroleum Right period (First Term)	*Minimum annual amount (USD)*	*Annual Rate Per km^2 (USD)*
1.	*$51 400,00 or rand equivalent*	*$10,28 or Rand equivalent*

The offshore exploration fees for a renewal or extension of a petroleum right payable as contemplated in section 50 of the Act, are as follows:

Extension Periods:

CATEGORY	*A*	*B*
Extension Term	*Minimum annual amount (USD)*	*Annual Rate Per km^2 (USD)*
1.	*$71 960,00 or rand equivalent*	*$15,42 or rand equivalent*
2.	*$92 520,00 or rand equivalent*	*$20,56 or rand equivalent*
3.	*$257 000,00 or rand equivalent"*	*$25,70 or rand equivalent*

All square kilometers will be rounded to the nearest square kilometer by rounding up if the fraction is 0,5 square kilometer or more, or otherwise by rounding down.

Payment of exploration fees

(1) The exploration fees must be paid by the holder of such petroleum right annually in advance and not later than 30 days from the commencement date of such right and thereafter not later than 30 days following the anniversary of each respective year of the exploration right for the duration thereof.

(2) If the exploration fees referred to in sub-regulation (1) are not paid on the due date, the holder will be in *mora debitoris* and must pay interest thereon at the rate prescribed in terms of section 80 of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No.1 of 1999) which must be reckoned from the day following the last day allowed for payment up to and including the day of payment.

(3) Upon the relinquishment of areas already explored, in respect of the applicable exploration right, excluding a right granted over a diamond concession are, the exploration fees payable may be reduced if—

(a) written notification with details of the relinquishment is submitted by the holder of the exploration right to the Petroleum Agency at least 90 days before payment of the annual exploration fees becomes due; and

(b) the holder is not in *mora debitoris* due to late payments on any amount in respect of exploration fees, or where any debt in respect of exploration fees is outstanding.

(4) Where advance payments have been made and the exploration right is abandoned, suspended or cancelled before the lapsing of such right, no refunds of exploration fees paid will be allowed."

Short title and commencement

41. These Regulations are called the Upstream Petroleum Resource Development Regulations, 2025 and take effect on the date of publication in the *Gazette*.

Form A

For official use only

Application number label here.

DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FOR RECONNAISSANCE PERMIT

[in terms of section 38 of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For any enquiries, contact the Petroleum Agency SA during office hours (refer to List 1).
2. Complete the form in block letters and in black pen.
3. Where options are given, please mark the appropriate block.
4. Complete the form in English and do not use abbreviations (e.g. Street not St).
5. Although the application forms are made available in electronic format, only a signed original hard copy shall be acceptable.
6. Ensure that all the required attachments accompany the application.
7. The application must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency SA either electronically or by hand.

DESIGNATED AGENCY: PETROLEUM AGENCY SA

PART A: PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT

In the case of a natural person, please provide the following:

Surname:

Forename (s):

Identity number:

**(a certified copy of the identity number in the identity document must be attached)*

In the case of a person other than a natural person, please indicate:

Provincial Government ☐ CC. ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture ☐

Municipality ☐ Co. ☐ Other (Specify)

Name of Provincial Government, municipality, company, closed corporation, partnership or joint venture:

Registration number of Co. or CC.:

Trading as (if applicable):

In the case of a Co. or CC., attach the following:

A certified copy of the certificate of Incorporation: Yes ☐ No ☐

A certified copy of the certificate to commence business: Yes ☐ No ☐

Form A

PART B: OWNERSHIP OF PARTICIPATION BY HISTORICALLY DISADVANTAGED SOUTH AFRICANS (HDSA)

**(the completion of Part B is optional for applications for reconnaissance permission)*

Please mark the appropriate block regarding the ownership or participation by Historically Disadvantaged South Africans:

☐ HDSA controlled: 50% + 1 vote HDSA ☐ Strategic Partnership: 25% + 1 vote HDSA

☐ Broad-based Ownership: HDSA dedicated mining unit trusts, employee share or ownership schemes.

PART C: CONTACT AND CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS FOR THIS APPLICATION

Surname of contact person:	
Forename (s) of contact person:	
Branch/Division:	
Postal address:	
Suburb:	
District:	
City:	
Province:	
Country:	
Postal code:	
Telephone no.:	
Fax no.:	
Cellphone no.:	
E-mail address:	

Relevant physical address:

Building name:	
Building number:	
Street number:	
Street name 1:	
Street name 2	
Town/City:	
District:	
Province:	
Country:	

Form A

PART D: DESCRIPTION OF LAND/ONSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Provide the registered description of the land area to which this application relates, together with respective SG diagrams.

(This section is not applicable for offshore applications)

Farm name 1:	
Farm number and:	
Registration division:	
Magisterial district:	
Farm subdivision name:	
Farm subdivision number:	
SG 21-Digit code (if known):	

(If more than one farm portion is indicated, please attach additional information in the same format.)

PART E: DESCRIPTION OF OFFSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Offshore block(s):	
Magisterial district (s):	
Province (s):	
Any other information such	
Marine Protected Areas or	
Ecologically or Biologically	
Significant Marine Areas.	

Supply the co-ordinates of the corner points of the area/s in degrees, minutes and seconds or decimal degrees or LoX and LoY or indicate on Topocadastral map(s). With reference to co-ordinates, provide in decimal degrees in a digital format e.g. ASCII file (longitude, -latitude). When co-ordinates is provided in ASCII format, the LO, spheroid and datum information must still be completed on this form.*

If the application is for a whole farm portion/s there is no need to provide co-ordinates.

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	Latitude or LoX	-	S
4.	Longitude or LoY		E
	Latitude or LoX	-	S

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If there are more than 4 sets of co-ordinates, please attach additional information in the same format.

Each polygon must close, so the last co-ordinate must be the same as the first co-ordinate.

If the co-ordinates are supplied in LO, please give (a) the central meridian; and (b) the projection.

ASCII file handed in? Yes ☐ No ☐

Spheroid and Datum:

Clarke 1880/Cape ☐ WGS84/WGS84 ☐ WGS84/Hartebeesthoek ☐

PART E: TYPE OF PETROLEUM AND/OR ASSOCIATED GASES OR LIQUIDS

Name the type of mineral or minerals for which the permission is required (refer to the attached List 2):

Code		

Method(s) of reconnaissance survey:

Duration of the proposed reconnaissance operation:

Name of the reconnaissance operation (if applicable):

PART F: DECLARATION

I, the applicant

in my personal capacity or duly authorized thereto by the legal entity in a representative capacity, declare that the information contained in the application form is true and correct.

(attach certified copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity)

Capacity:

Form A

THE APPLICATION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE FOLLOWING:

A. Details of the land or area
Provide a plan as contemplated in regulation 2(2).

B. Reconnaissance work programme
Full particulars of the reconnaissance work programme in accordance with which the reconnaissance operation will be undertaken. Provide details of the estimated expenditure regarding the reconnaissance operation's compatibility with the proposed reconnaissance work programme.

C. Financial and technical competence
Provide details and documentary proof of the applicant's technical ability and financial resources compatible with the reconnaissance work programme that are readily available or how they will be provided for.

D. Health and Safety documentation
Provide details and documentary proof of the applicant`s ability to comply with health and safety requirements such as health and safety manuals/procedures and copies of relevant certifications

E. Title deed(s) in respect of land
Provide a certified copy or copies of the title deed or deeds in respect of the land or area to which this application relates.

F. Prescribed fee
The amount of R_____, being the application fee specified in regulation

G. Copy of identity document
In the case of a natural person, a certified copy of the identity document must be attached.

H. A certified copy of the certificate of Incorporation, if applicable.

I. A certified copy of the certificate to commence business, if applicable.

J. Copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity (refer to Part F: Declaration)

Signed at _____
(Place)

On the _____ day of _____ _____
(Month) *(Year)*

_____

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT / REPRESENTATIVE (IF APPLICABLE)

Form A

LIST 1

PETROLEUM AGENCY SA ADDRESS

Designated Agency	Physical Address	Postal Address	Telephone number	E-mail address
Petroleum Agency SA The Chief Executive	Heron Place 1st Floor Heron Close Century City Cape Town South Africa 7441	Heron Place 1st Floor Heron Close Century City Cape Town South Africa 7441	(+27)21 938 3500	plu@petroleumagencysa.com

LIST 2

TYPE OF PETROLEUM AND ASSOCIATED LIQUID OR GAS APPLIED FOR

Code	Commodity	Type code	Type Description
Pm	PETROLEUM	P	Hydrocarbons
NG	NATURAL GAS		
Cn	CONDENSATE		
NGL	NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS		
He	HELIUM		
N2	NITROGEN		
CO2	CARBON DIOXIDE		
H2S	HYRDOGEN SULPHIDE		
Ass.G	ANY OTHER ASSOCIATED GASES		
Oil	OL		

Form B

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DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FOR PETROLEUM RIGHT FOR EXPLORATION AND/OR APPRAISAL ACTIVITIES

[in terms of Section 43 of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For any enquiries, contact the Petroleum Agency SA during office hours (refer to List 1).
2. Complete the form in block letters and in black pen.
3. Where options are given, please mark the appropriate block.
4. Complete the form in English and do not use abbreviations (e.g. Street not St).
5. Although the application forms are made available in electronic format, only a signed original hard copy shall be acceptable.
6. Ensure that all the required attachments accompany the application.
7. The application must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency SA either electronically or by hand.

DESIGNATED AGENCY: PETROLEUM AGENCY SA

PART A: PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT

In the case of a natural person, please provide the following:

Surname:

Forename (s):

Identity number:

**(a certified copy of the identity number in the identity document must be attached)*

In the case of a person other than a natural person, please indicate:

Provincial Government ☐ CC. ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture ☐

Municipality ☐ Co. ☐ Other (Specify)

Name of Provincial Government, municipality, company, closed corporation, partnership or joint venture:

Registration number of Co. or CC.:

Trading as (if applicable):

In the case of a Co. or CC., attach the following:

A certified copy of the certificate of Incorporation: Yes ☐ No ☐

A certified copy of the certificate to commence business: Yes ☐ No ☐

PART B: OWNERSHIP OF PARTICIPATION BY THE STATE AND HISTORICALLY DISADVANTAGED SOUTH AFRICANS (HDSA)

HDSA PARTICIPATION IN THE PETROLEUM RIGHT

Please mark the appropriate block regarding the ownership or participation by Historically Disadvantaged South Africans:

- ☐ HDSA controlled: 50% + 1 vote HDSA
- ☐ Strategic Partnership: 25% + 1 vote HDSA
- ☐ Broad-based Ownership: HDSA dedicated mining unit trusts, employee share or ownership schemes.
- ☐ The Petroleum Right application is not held by an HDSA entity, however, it does have the 10% HDSA participation as contemplated by Section 34(1) of the UPRD Act.

If the applicant is unable to fulfil the 10% HDSA participation in the Petroleum Right as required by section 34 (1) of the UPRD Act, then indicate by when the request for extension as per section 31(4) of the UPRD Act is intended to be lodged.

STATE PARTICIPATION IN THE PETROLEUM RIGHT

The Petroleum Right application has 20% state participation as per section 34(2) of the UPRD Act. Yes: ☐ No: ☐

If the answer to the above is no, indicate below if the state elected not to take up the state participation? or if it is yet to confirm? and provide documentary proof to support the claim.

PART C: CONTACT AND CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS FOR THIS APPLICATION

Surname of contact person:	
Forename (s) of contact person:	
Branch/Division:	
Postal address:	
Suburb:	
District:	
City:	
Province:	
Country:	
Postal code:	
Telephone no.:	
Fax no.:	
Cellphone no.:	
E-mail address:	

Relevant physical address:

Building name:	
Building number:	
Street number:	
Street name 1:	
Street name 2	
Town/City:	
District:	
Province:	
Country:	

PART D: DESCRIPTION OF LAND/ONSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Provide the registered description of the land area to which this application relates, together with respective SG diagrams.

(This section is not applicable for offshore applications)

Farm name 1:	
Farm number and:	
Registration division:	
Magisterial district:	
Farm subdivision name:	
Farm subdivision number:	
SG 21-Digit code (if known):	

(If more than one farm portion is indicated, please attach additional information in the same format.)

PART E: DESCRIPTION OF OFFSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Offshore block(s):

Magisterial district (s):

Province (s):

Any other information such as Marine Protected Areas or Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas.

Supply the co-ordinates of the corner points of the area/s in degrees, minutes and seconds or decimal degrees or LoX and LoY or indicate on Topocadastral map(s). With reference to co-ordinates, provide in decimal degrees in a digital format e.g. ASCII file (longitude, -latitude). When co-ordinates is provided in ASCII format, the LO, spheroid and datum information must still be completed on this form.*

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If there are more than 4 sets of co-ordinates, please attach additional information in the same format.

Each polygon must close, so the last co-ordinate must be the same as the first co-ordinate.

If the co-ordinates are supplied in LO, please give (a) the central meridian; and (b) the projection. ASCII file handed in? Yes ☐ No ☐

Spheroid and Datum:

Clarke 1880/Cape ☐ WGS84/WGS84 ☐ WGS84/Hartebeesthoek ☐

PART F: TYPE OF PETROLEUM AND/OR ASSOCIATED GASES OR LIQUIDS

Indicate the type of petroleum and/or associated gases or liquids applied for (refer to the attached List 2):

Code		

Indicate the duration the petroleum right is required for.

PART G: WORK PROGRAMME

Provide a summary of the activities to be undertaken under the Petroleum Right.

Provide technical explanations of the activities to be undertaken under the work programme:

PART H: DECLARATION

I, the applicant

In my personal capacity or duly authorized thereto by the legal entity in a representative capacity, declare that the information contained in the application form is true and correct.

(attach certified copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity)

Capacity: _____

Signed at _____
(Place)

On the _____ day of _____ _____
(Month) *(Year)*

_____

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT / REPRESENTATIVE (IF APPLICABLE)

ATTACH THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION:

A. Details of the land or area.
A map as contemplated in regulation 2(2).

B. Letter of motivation why the petroleum right is applied for.

C. Certified copies of valid company or business registration documents.

D. If the Petroleum Right is to be held under the joint venture partnership, a document that indicates that the applicant has received the necessary authority to lodge the application on behalf of the joint venture partnership.

E. If the area applied for is onshore, copies of the title deeds or a document indicating when they can be made available.

F. Work Programme
Provide a complete work programme in accordance with regulation 13 (3) of the UPRD Act.

G. Financial and technical competence
Documentary proof of the applicant's technical ability and financial resources as per regulation 13 (1) (k) & (l)

H. Health and Safety documentation
If the work programme activities include field activities such as surveys, drilling, well testing etc., provide documentary proof of the ability to comply with health and safety requirements.

I. Prescribed application fee
Provide proof of payment of an application fee

J. Copy of identity document
In the case of a natural person, a certified copy of the identity document must be attached.

K. Copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity (refer to Part F: Declaration)

LIST 1

PETROLEUM AGENCY SA ADDRESS

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LIST 2

TYPE OF PETROLEUM AND ASSOCIATED LIQUID OR GAS APPLIED FOR

Code	Commodity	Type code	Type Description
Pm	PETROLEUM	P	Hydrocarbons
NG	NATURAL GAS		
Cn	CONDENSATE		
NGL	NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS		
He	HELIUM		
N2	NITROGEN		
CO2	CARBON DIOXIDE		
H2S	HYRDOGEN SULPHIDE		
Ass.G	ANY OTHER ASSOCIATED GASES		
Oil	OL		

Form C

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DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FOR THE APPROVAL TO PROGRESS TO THE NEXT PHASE OF PETROLEUM RIGHT FOR EXPLORATION AND/OR APPRAISAL ACTIVITIES

[in terms of Section 46 of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For any enquiries, contact the Petroleum Agency SA during office hours (refer to List 1).
2. Complete the form in block letters and in black pen.
3. Where options are given, please mark the appropriate block.
4. Complete the form in English and do not use abbreviations (e.g. Street not St).
5. Although the application forms are made available in electronic format, only a signed original hard copy shall be acceptable.
6. Ensure that all the required attachments accompany the application.
7. The application must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency SA either electronically or by hand.

DESIGNATED AGENCY: PETROLEUM AGENCY SA

PART A: PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT

In the case of a natural person, please provide the following:

Surname:

Forename (s):

Identity number:

**(a certified copy of the identity number in the identity document must be attached)*

In the case of a person other than a natural person, please indicate:

Provincial Government ☐ CC. ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture ☐

Municipality ☐ Co. ☐ Other (Specify) ☐

Name of Provincial Government, municipality, company, closed corporation, partnership or joint venture:

Registration number of Co. or CC.:

Trading as (if applicable):

In the case of a Co. or CC., attach the following:

A certified copy of the certificate of Incorporation: Yes ☐ No ☐

A certified copy of the certificate to commence business: Yes ☐ No ☐

PART B: OWNERSHIP OF PARTICIPATION BY THE STATE AND HISTORICALLY DISADVANTAGED SOUTH AFRICANS (HDSA)

HDSA PARTICIPATION IN THE PETROLEUM RIGHT

Please mark the appropriate block regarding the ownership or participation by Historically Disadvantaged South Africans:

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- ☐ Strategic Partnership: 25% + 1 vote HDSA
- ☐ Broad-based Ownership: HDSA dedicated mining unit trusts, employee share or ownership schemes.
- ☐ The Petroleum Right application is not held by an HDSA entity; however, it does have the 10% HDSA participation as contemplated by Section 34(1) of the UPRD Act.

If the applicant is unable to fulfil the 10% HDSA participation in the Petroleum Right as required by section 34 (1) of the UPRD Act, then indicate by when the request for extension as per section 31(4) of the UPRD Act is intended to be lodged.

STATE PARTICIPATION IN THE PETROLEUM RIGHT

The Petroleum Right application has 20% state participation as per section 34(2) of the UPRD Act. Yes: ☐ No: ☐

If the answer to the above is no, indicate below if the state elected not to take up the state participation? or if it is yet to confirm? and provide documentary proof to support the claim.

PART C: CONTACT AND CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS FOR THIS APPLICATION

Surname of contact person:	
Forename (s) of contact person:	
Branch/Division:	
Postal address:	
Suburb:	
District:	
City:	
Province:	
Country:	
Postal code:	
Telephone no.:	
Fax no.:	
Cellphone no.:	
E-mail address:	

Relevant physical address:

Building name:	
Building number:	
Street number:	
Street name 1:	
Street name 2	
Town/City:	
District:	
Province:	
Country:	

PART D: DESCRIPTION OF LAND/ONSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Provide the registered description of the land area to which this application relates, together with respective SG diagrams.

(This section is not applicable for offshore applications)

Farm name 1:	
Farm number and:	
Registration division:	
Magisterial district:	
Farm subdivision name:	
Farm subdivision number:	
SG 21-Digit code (if known):	

(If more than one farm portion is indicated, please attach additional information in the same format.)

PART E: DESCRIPTION OF OFFSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Offshore block(s):

Magisterial district (s):

Province (s):

Any other information such as Marine Protected Areas or Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas.

Supply the co-ordinates of the corner points of the area/s in degrees, minutes and seconds or decimal degrees or LoX and LoY or indicate on Topocadastral map(s). With reference to co-ordinates, provide in decimal degrees in a digital format e.g. ASCII file (longitude, -latitude). When co-ordinates is provided in ASCII format, the LO, spheroid and datum information must still be completed on this form.*

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Each polygon must close, so the last co-ordinate must be the same as the first co-ordinate.

If the co-ordinates are supplied in LO, please give (a) the central meridian; and (b) the projection. ASCII file handed in? Yes ☐ No ☐

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Clarke 1880/Cape ☐ WGS84/WGS84 ☐ WGS84/Hartebeesthoek ☐

PART F: TYPE OF PETROLEUM AND/OR ASSOCIATED GASES OR LIQUIDS

Indicate the type of petroleum and/or associated gases or liquids applied for (refer to the attached List 2):

Code		

State the reasons why the extension of the petroleum right is required and the period it is required for

Indicate the location of the area applied for, i.e., whether it is onshore or it falls under the area(s) designated as frontier or in area(s) designated as deep waters as per section 8(2) of the UPRD Act.

If the area applied for falls under the area(s) designated as frontier or in area(s) designated as deep waters as per section 8(2) of the UPRD Act., indicate how you intend structuring the period for each term as per section 14 (4) of the UPRD Act and provide reasons.

PART G: WORK PROGRAMME

Provide a summary of the activities to be undertaken under the term of the petroleum right applied for

Provide technical explanations of the activities to be undertaken under the work programme:

PART H: DECLARATION

I, the applicant

In my personal capacity or duly authorized thereto by the legal entity in a representative capacity, declare that the information contained in the application form is true and correct.

(attach certified copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity)

Capacity:

Signed at

(Place)

On the day of *(Month)* *(Year)*

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT / REPRESENTATIVE (IF APPLICABLE)

ATTACH THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION:

A. Details of the land or area.

A map as contemplated in regulation 2(2) showing relinquished and retained areas and the relinquished percentages in accordance with section 46 of the UPRD Act.

B. Letter of motivation why the extension of the petroleum right is applied for.

C. Certified copies of valid company or business registration documents.

D. If the Petroleum Right is to be held under the joint venture partnership, a document that indicates that the applicant has received the necessary authority to lodge the application on behalf of the joint venture partnership.

E. If the area applied for is onshore, copies of the title deeds or a document indicating when they can be made available.

F. Work Programme

Provide a complete work programme in accordance with regulation 13 (3) of the UPRD Act.

G. Exploration report and results from the previous term

Provide a comprehensive report on exploration and/or appraisal activities undertaken in the previous term including the interpretation of the results and expenditure incurred.

H. Report on the extent of compliance with the conditions of the environmental authorisation

Provide a comprehensive report on the extent of compliance with the conditions of the environmental authorization.

I. Report on the compliance with black persons empowerment and State Participation

Provide a comprehensive report on this

J. Health and Safety documentation

If the work programme activities include field activities such as surveys, drilling, well testing etc., provide documentary proof of the ability to comply with health and safety requirements.

K. Prescribed application fee

The amount of R_____, being the application fee specified in regulation

L. Copy of identity document

In the case of a natural person, a certified copy of the identity document must be attached.

M. Copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity (refer to Part F: Declaration)

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LIST 2

TYPE OF PETROLEUM AND ASSOCIATED LIQUID OR GAS APPLIED FOR

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NG	NATURAL GAS		
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Ass.G	ANY OTHER ASSOCIATED GASES		
Oil	OL		

Form D

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DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FOR A DRILLING PERMIT

[in terms of section 52 of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For any enquiries, contact the Petroleum Agency SA during office hours (refer to List 1).
2. Complete the form in block letters and in black pen.
3. Where options are given, please mark the appropriate block.
4. Complete the form in English and do not use abbreviations (e.g. Street not St).
5. Although the application forms are made available in electronic format, only a signed original hard copy shall be acceptable.
6. Ensure that all the required attachments accompany the application.
7. The application must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency SA either electronically or by hand.

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

The following information shall be provided with this application:

a. Drilling site layout that shows all key equipment to be on site including mud pit locations and other facilities such as drilling waste storage facilities if applicable.
b. Drilling program inclusive of well design, the details of the equipment to be used, mud program, casing and cementing program, the integrity tests to be conducted in a well.
c. Map from surveyor showing well location and the topographic features of well site area, including drainage patterns and surface water locations and wetlands where applicable.
d. A brief statement on whether the applicant is in possession of all the required permits and licences for drilling.
e. An application fee of R 10 000 for onshore wells and USD 1000 or rand equivalent for offshore wells.

DESIGNATED AGENCY: PETROLEUM AGENCY SA

PART A: PARTICULARS OF THE APPLICANT OR OPERATOR

Name of the applicant or operator:

Petroleum Right Reference number:

LEASE AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

In case of onshore wells please provide the following information

Landowner: Phone:

Address: Email:

Province(s): Fax:

Town:

Number of wells on the lease:

Well name(s) and number(s):

LOCATION OF WELL (s)

Field or general vicinity:

Well location:

(Give latitude/longitude in decimal degrees and section, township, and range with footage from section lines.)

Nearest distance from proposed well to property or lease in kilometres/metres:

Distance from proposed well to the nearest completed or applied for well(s) on the same lease in kilometres/metres:

Proposed depth to be drilled in metres :

Elevation of surface in metres :

(Attach a map showing the location of the well drawn by a licensed surveyor.)

If there are adjoining lease or property owners, please provide the details below including the distances from the proposed well location to their properties.

In case of more than well to be drilled, please add a list of wells together with the coordinates for each well, and provide the above information for each well in a list.

AFFIDAVIT

I, hereby declare that the information contained on this form is true and correct.

Signature:

Name:

Position:

Representing *(company or operator)*:

(attach certified copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity)

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Form E

Application number label here.

DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FOR PETROLEUM RIGHT FOR PRODUCTION

[in terms of Section 58 of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For any enquiries, contact the Petroleum Agency SA during office hours (refer to List 1).
2. Complete the form in block letters and in black pen.
3. Where options are given, please mark the appropriate block.
4. Complete the form in English and do not use abbreviations (e.g. Street not St).
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6. Ensure that all the required attachments accompany the application.
7. The application must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency SA either electronically or by hand.

DESIGNATED AGENCY: PETROLEUM AGENCY SA

PART A: PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT

In the case of a natural person, please provide the following:

Surname:

Forename (s):

Identity number:

**(a certified copy of the identity number in the identity document must be attached)*

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Municipality ☐ Co. ☐ Other (Specify)

Name of Provincial Government, municipality, company, closed corporation, partnership or joint venture:

Registration number of Co. or CC.:

Trading as (if applicable):

In the case of a Co. or CC., attach the following:

A certified copy of the certificate of Incorporation: Yes ☐ No ☐

A certified copy of the certificate to commence business: Yes ☐ No ☐

PART B: OWNERSHIP OF PARTICIPATION BY THE STATE AND HISTORICALLY DISADVANTAGED SOUTH AFRICANS (HDSA)

HDSA PARTICIPATION IN THE PETROLEUM RIGHT

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STATE PARTICIPATION IN THE PETROLEUM RIGHT

The Petroleum Right application has 20% state participation as per section 34(2) of the UPRD Act. Yes: ☐ No: ☐

If the answer to the above is no, indicate below if the state elected not to take up the state participation? or if it is yet to confirm? and provide documentary proof to support in support of this.

PART C: CONTACT AND CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS FOR THIS APPLICATION

Surname of contact person:	
Forename (s) of contact person:	
Branch/Division:	
Postal address:	
Suburb:	
District:	
City:	
Province:	
Country:	
Postal code:	
Telephone no.:	
Fax no.:	
Cellphone no.:	
E-mail address:	

Relevant physical address:

Building name:	
Building number:	
Street number:	
Street name 1:	
Street name 2	
Town/City:	
District:	
Province:	
Country:	

PART D: DESCRIPTION OF LAND/ONSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Provide the registered description of the land area to which this application relates, together with respective SG diagrams.

(This section is not applicable for offshore applications)

Farm name 1:	
Farm number and:	
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Magisterial district:	
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Farm subdivision number:	
SG 21-Digit code (if known):	

(If more than one farm portion is indicated, please attach additional information in the same format.)

PART E: DESCRIPTION OF OFFSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Offshore block(s):

Magisterial district (s):

Province (s):

Any other information such as Marine Protected Areas or Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas.

Supply the co-ordinates of the corner points of the area/s in degrees, minutes and seconds or decimal degrees or LoX and LoY or indicate on Topocadastral map(s). With reference to co-ordinates, provide in decimal degrees in a digital format e.g. ASCII file (longitude, -latitude). When co-ordinates is provided in ASCII format, the LO, spheroid and datum information must still be completed on this form.*

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Latitude or LoX	-	S
4. Longitude or LoY		E
Latitude or LoX	-	S

If there are more than 4 sets of co-ordinates, please attach additional information in the same format.

Each polygon must close, so the last co-ordinate must be the same as the first co-ordinate.

If the co-ordinates are supplied in LO, please give (a) the central meridian; and (b) the projection. ASCII file handed in? Yes ☐ No ☐

Spheroid and Datum:

Clarke 1880/Cape ☐ WGS84/WGS84 ☐ WGS84/Hartebeesthoek ☐

PART F: TYPE OF PETROLEUM AND/OR ASSOCIATED GASES OR LIQUIDS

Indicate the type of petroleum and/or associated gases or liquids applied for (refer to the attached List 2):

Code		

Indicate the duration the petroleum right is required for production

PART G: FIELD DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND PRODUCTION WORK PROGRAMME

Provide a summary of the activities to be undertaken during field development and during production

Provide technical explanations of the activities to be undertaken under field development and production :

PART H: DECLARATION

I, the applicant _____

In my personal capacity or duly authorized thereto by the legal entity in a representative capacity, declare that the information contained in the application form is true and correct.

(attach certified copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity)

Capacity: _____

Signed at

(Place)

On the _____ day of _____ _____

(Month) *(Year)*

_____

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT / REPRESENTATIVE (IF APPLICABLE)

ATTACH THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION:

A. Details of the land or area.

A map as contemplated in regulation 2(2) showing both the retained area and the relinquished area

B. Letter of motivation why the petroleum right is applied for.

C. Certified copies of valid company or business registration documents.

D. If the Petroleum Right is to be held under the joint venture partnership, a document that indicates that the applicant has received the necessary authority to lodge the application on behalf of the joint venture partnership.

E. If the area applied for is onshore, copies of the title deeds or a document indicating when they can be made available.

F. Work programme

Provide a work programme in accordance with regulation 13 (1) (n), and provide production activities in addition to field development activities which will largely be covered under field development plan below.

G. Field development plan

Provide a comprehensive field development plan in accordance with regulation 13 (2) (c) of these regulations, and the endorsement documentation of the field development plan as per regulation 13 (2) (d).

H. Report on quantified Petroleum Resources

Provide a comprehensive report on petroleum resources quantification in accordance with regulation 13 (2) (a) of these regulations and the independent endorsement of the resources as per regulation 13 (2) (b) of these regulations.

I. Feasibility Study Report

Provide a comprehensive feasibility studies report that include technical, commercial, and market analysis of the development or project as per regulation (13) (2) (e) of these regulations.

J. Feasibility Study Report

Provide a comprehensive feasibility studies report that include technical, commercial, and market analysis of the development or project as per regulation (13) (2) (e) of these regulations.

K. Project economics report

Provide comprehensive project economics report as per regulation 13 (2) (g) of the regulations, and where the report is not available as yet, indicate the reasons and timeframe when it can be provided.

L. Technical and Financial capability

Provide documentation to demonstrate technical and financial capability

M. Health and Safety Compliance

Provide documentation demonstrating to ability and systems in place to comply with health and safety requirements

N. Local Content Plan

Provide a Local Content Plan as per regulation 23 of these regulations

O. Black Person`s Participation and State Participation Requirements

Provide a report on the extent of compliance with black person`s participation and state participation as per section 58 (3) (c)

P. A report on compliance with environmental authorization

Provide a report on the extent of compliance with environmental authorization during the last term of the petroleum right as per section 58 (3) (b) of the UPRD Act.

Q. Prescribed application

Provide proof of payment of application fee

R. Copy of identity document

In the case of a natural person, a certified copy of the identity document must be attached.

S. Copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity (refer to Part F: Declaration)

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LIST 2

TYPE OF PETROLEUM AND ASSOCIATED LIQUID OR GAS APPLIED FOR

Code	Commodity	Type code	Type Description
Pm	PETROLEUM	P	Hydrocarbons
NG	NATURAL GAS		
Cn	CONDENSATE		
NGL	NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS		
He	HELIUM		
N2	NITROGEN		
CO2	CARBON DIOXIDE		
H2S	HYRDOGEN SULPHIDE		
Ass.G	ANY OTHER ASSOCIATED GASES		
Oil	OL		

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DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FOR PETROLEUM RIGHT TO PROGRESS TO THE NEXT PHASE OF PRODUCTION

[in terms of Section 62 of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For any enquiries, contact the Petroleum Agency SA during office hours (refer to List 1).
2. Complete the form in block letters and in black pen.
3. Where options are given, please mark the appropriate block.
4. Complete the form in English and do not use abbreviations (e.g. Street not St).
5. Although the application forms are made available in electronic format, only a signed original hard copy shall be acceptable.
6. Ensure that all the required attachments accompany the application.
7. The application must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency SA either electronically or by hand.

DESIGNATED AGENCY: PETROLEUM AGENCY SA

PART A: PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT

In the case of a natural person, please provide the following:

Surname: _____

Forename (s): _____

Identity number: _____

**(a certified copy of the identity number in the identity document must be attached)*

In the case of a person other than a natural person, please indicate:

Provincial Government ☐ CC. ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture ☐

Municipality ☐ Co. ☐ Other (Specify) _____

Name of Provincial Government, municipality, company, closed corporation, partnership or joint venture:

_____

_____

Registration number of Co. or CC.:

_____

Trading as (if applicable):

_____

In the case of a Co. or CC., attach the following:

A certified copy of the certificate of Incorporation: Yes ☐ No ☐

A certified copy of the certificate to commence business: Yes ☐ No ☐

PART B: OWNERSHIP OF PARTICIPATION BY THE STATE AND HISTORICALLY DISADVANTAGED SOUTH AFRICANS (HDSA)

HDSA PARTICIPATION IN THE PETROLEUM RIGHT

Please mark the appropriate block regarding the ownership or participation by Historically Disadvantaged South Africans:

- ☐ HDSA controlled: 50% + 1 vote HDSA
- ☐ Strategic Partnership: 25% + 1 vote HDSA
- ☐ Broad-based Ownership: HDSA dedicated mining unit trusts, employee share or ownership schemes.
- ☐ The Petroleum Right application is not held by an HDSA entity, however, it does have the 10% HDSA participation as contemplated by Section 34(1) of the UPRD Act.

If the applicant is unable to fulfil the 10% HDSA participation in the Petroleum Right as required by section 34 (1) of the UPRD Act, then indicate by when the request for extension as per section 31(4) of the UPRD Act is intended to be lodged.

STATE PARTICIPATION IN THE PETROLEUM RIGHT

The Petroleum Right application has 20% state participation as per section 34(2) of the UPRD Act. Yes: ☐ No: ☐

If the answer to the above is no, indicate below if the state elected not to take up the state participation? or if it is yet to confirm? and provide documentary proof to support in support of this.

PART C: CONTACT AND CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS FOR THIS APPLICATION

Surname of contact person:	
Forename (s) of contact person:	
Branch/Division:	
Postal address:	
Suburb:	
District:	
City:	
Province:	
Country:	
Postal code:	
Telephone no.:	
Fax no.:	
Cellphone no.:	
E-mail address:	

Relevant physical address:

Building name:	
Building number:	
Street number:	
Street name 1:	
Street name 2	
Town/City:	
District:	
Province:	
Country:	

PART D: DESCRIPTION OF LAND/ONSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Provide the registered description of the land area to which this application relates, together with respective SG diagrams.

(This section is not applicable for offshore applications)

Farm name 1:	
Farm number and:	
Registration division:	
Magisterial district:	
Farm subdivision name:	
Farm subdivision number:	
SG 21-Digit code (if known):	

(If more than one farm portion is indicated, please attach additional information in the same format.)

PART E: DESCRIPTION OF OFFSHORE AREA APPLIED FOR

Offshore block(s):

Magisterial district (s):

Province (s):

Any other information such as Marine Protected Areas or Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas.

Supply the co-ordinates of the corner points of the area/s in degrees, minutes and seconds or decimal degrees or LoX and LoY or indicate on Topocadastral map(s). With reference to co-ordinates, provide in decimal degrees in a digital format e.g. ASCII file (longitude, -latitude). When co-ordinates is provided in ASCII format, the LO, spheroid and datum information must still be completed on this form.*

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Capacity:

Signed at

(Place)

On the day of *(Month)* *(Year)*

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F. Work programme

Provide a production work programme for the term applied for.

G. Field development plan if applicable

Provide a comprehensive field development plan in accordance with regulation 13 (2) (c) of these regulations, and the endorsement documentation of the field development plan as per regulation 13 (2) (d).

H. Report on quantified remaining Petroleum Resources

Provide a comprehensive report on the quantified remaining petroleum resources and quantities of petroleum expected to be produced during the term applied for.

I. Project economics report

Provide comprehensive economics project report as per regulation 13 (3) (c) of the regulations, and where the report is not available as yet, indicate the reasons and timeframe when it can be provided.

J. Environmental authorization compliance report

Provide a detailed report on the compliance with the requirements of the environmental authorization in the previous term

K. State participation and black person`s empowerment report

Provide a report on the compliance with the requirements of State participation and black person`s empowerment report.

L. Local Content Plan compliance report

Provide a report on the compliance with the approved local content plan.

M. Prescribed application

Provide proof of payment of application fee

N. Copy of identity document

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DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION TO AMEND RIGHTS/PERMITS WORK PROGRAMME OR PLANS

[in terms of section 105 of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For any enquiries, contact the Petroleum Agency SA during office hours (refer to List 1).
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7. The application must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency SA either electronically or by hand.

PART A: PARTICULARS OF THE APPLICANT OR OPERATOR

In the case of a natural person, please provide the following:

Name and surname of the applicant:	
Right or pemrit reference number:	
Primary contact person:	
Phone:	
E-mail address:	
Physical Address:	
Identity number:	

**(a certified copy of the identity document must be attached)*

In the case of a person other than a natural person, please indicate:

In the case of a person other than a natural person, please indicate:

Provincial Government	☐	CC.	☐	Partnership/Joint Venture	☐
Municipality	☐	Co.	☐	Other (Specify)	

Name of Provincial Government, municipality, company, closed corporation, partnership or joint venture:

Registration number of Co. or CC.:

Trading as (if applicable):

In the case of a Co. or CC., attach the following:

A certified copy of the certificate of Incorporation: Yes ☐ No ☐

A certified copy of the certificate to commence business: Yes ☐ No ☐

Indicate the type of Right/Permit held by the applicant:

Reconnaissance Permit: ☐

Exploration Right: ☐

Production Right: ☐

Retention Permit: ☐

Petroleum Right: ☐

Indicate the type of amendment or variation requested.

Area reduction or extension: ☐

Addition or subtraction of mineral resources: ☐

Amendment of the work programme: ☐

Amendment of the Environmental Authorisation (EA): ☐

Amendment of the Social and Labour Plan (SLP): ☐

PART B: EXTENTION OR REDUCTION OF RIGHT OR PERMIT AREA

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

The following information shall be provided for right/permit areal extension or reduction.

a. Description of the right in respect of which the application is made *(Provide a description of the right in accordance with the regulation 42 plan and attach a copy of the right and plan as an appendix).*
b. A plan drawn to the requirements of Regulation 2 (2) of the area to be extended or reduced.
c. A plan drawn to the requirements of Regulation 2 (2) of the consolidated area or area to be retained.
d. The list of co-ordinates of the corner points of the area/s in degrees, minutes and seconds or decimal degrees or LoX and LoY in a digital format e.g. ASCII* file (longitude, -latitude).

Reduction of the Area ☐ Extension of the area ☐

Is the area being reduced for purposes of abandonment: ☐

Is the area being reduced to be incorporated into another right: ☐

If the co-ordinates are supplied in LO, please give (a) the central meridian; and (b) the projection.

Spheroid and Datum:

Clarke 1880/Cape	☐
WGS84/WGS84	☐
WGS84/HartebeestHoek	☐

PART C: AMENDMENT OF WORK PROGRAMME/ LOCAL CONTENT PLAN/ ENVIRONEMNTAL AUTHORISATION

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

a. Provide a detailed work programme of additional activities to be undertaken and the proposed budget.
b. Provide a list of activities to be added on the approved local content plan and proposed budget
c. Provide a list of activities to be added under the emended environmental authorization.

Provide detailed motivation for the amendment.

List of the activities to be added or removed from the approved work programme or LCP or EA.

Provide a summary of the revised final work programme/local content plan and budget to be approved.

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Form: Application for well tests and for producing petroleum



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DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURSES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO PRODUCE PETROLEUM AND OR CONDUCT WELL TESTS

[in terms of section 53 of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For any enquiries, contact the Petroleum Agency SA during office hours (refer to List 1).
2. Complete the form in block letters and in black pen.
3. Where options are given, please mark the appropriate block.
4. Complete the form in English and do not use abbreviations (e.g. Street not St).
5. Although the application forms are made available in electronic format, only a signed original hard copy shall be acceptable.
6. Ensure that all the required attachments accompany the application.
7. The application must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency SA either electronically or by hand.

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

The following information shall be provided with this application:

a. A detailed well testing programme including the quantity of petroleum to be produced, the duration of the tests, and the equipment to be used.
b. Sampling or any other data to be acquired in the well.
c. Attach the coordinates and name(s) of well(s).
d. Detailed documentation on how the produced petroleum will be utilised.
e. Equipment and facilities to be put on site for petroleum processing.
f. Proof of payment of an application fee.
g. Copy of environmental authorisation where applicable and required.
h. Documentary proof on health and safety processes and systems.

DESIGNATED AGENCY: PETROLEUM AGENCY SA

PART A: PARTICULARS OF THE APPLICANT OR OPERATOR

Name of the applicant or operator:	
Petroleum right reference number:	

PART B: WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

LEASE AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION *(In case of onshore well(s) please provide the following information)*

Landowner:		Phone:	
Address:		Email:	
Province(s):		Fax:	
Town:			

WELL NAMING

Well name(s) and number(s):

Unique well name(s) and number(s):

Unique Well Identifier (UWI):

Lat/long:

(Give latitude/longitude in decimal degrees)

PART C: PETROLEUM PRODUCTION AND WELL TESTING ACTIVITIES

Full description on the type of well tests that will be undertaken.

Type of equipment to be used.

The type of data that will be acquired.

Duration of the envisaged test and or production of petroleum.

The quantity of volumes of petroleum to be produced.

Full detail of how the produced petroleum will be utilised.

AFFIDAVIT

I, _____ hereby declare that the information contained on this form is true and correct.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Position: _____

Representing *(company or operator)*: _____

(attach certified copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity)

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FOR A CLOSURE CERTIFICATE

[in terms of section 84 of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. For any enquiries, contact the Petroleum Agency SA during office hours (refer to List 1).
2. Complete the form in block letters and in black pen.
3. Where options are given, please mark the appropriate block.
4. Complete the form in English and do not use abbreviations (e.g. Street not St).
5. Although the application forms are made available in electronic format, only a signed original hard copy shall be acceptable.
6. Ensure that all the required attachments accompany the application.
7. The application must be submitted to the Petroleum Agency SA either electronically or by hand.

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

The following documentation must accompany this form

a. Closure plan contemplated in regulation 26 (2) (b).
b. A final performance assessment report as contemplated in regulation 26(2)(d).
c. An environmental risk report as contemplated in regulation 26 (2) (c).

PART A: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of the applicant:	
Right or permit reference number:	
Primary contact person:	
Phone:	
E-mail address:	
Physical Address:	

Indicate the type of right or permit held by the applicant:

Reconnaissance Permit:	☐
Exploration Right:	☐
Production Right:	☐
Petroleum Right:	☐

PART B: APPLICATION INFORMATION

Indicate the reason for application:

Lapsing: ☐ Cessation of exploration or production: ☐

Abandonment: ☐ Relinquishment: ☐

Cancellation: ☐

Give details of the land, area or operation or offshore blocks over which the closure application relates:

(attach a plan of land, area or offshore licence blocks applied for, a list of wells or facilities to be decommissioned where applicable)

In case of an application for the transfer of environmental liabilities and responsibilities as contemplated under section 84 (2), please submit a separate application in terms of regulation 26 (3).

AFFIDAVIT

I, _____ hereby declare that the information contained on this form is true and correct.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Position: _____

Representing *(company or operator)*: _____

(attach certified copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity)

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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DEPARTMENT: MINERALS AND PETROLEUM RESOURSES

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION TO TRANSFER ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES TO A COMPETENT PERSON

[in terms of section 84 (2) of the Upstream Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2024 (Act No. 23 of 2024)]

INSTRUCTIONS:

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6. Ensure that all the required attachments accompany the application.
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REQUIRED INFORMATION:

The following documentation must accompany this form

a. Closure plan contemplated in regulation 26 (2) (b).
b. A final performance assessment report as contemplated in regulation 26(2)(d).
c. An environmental risk report as contemplated in regulation 26 (2) (c).

PART A: DETAILS OF LICENSE HOLDER

Name and surname of the applicant:

Right or permit reference number:

Primary contact person:

Phone:

E-mail address:

Physical Address:

Identity number:

**(a certified copy of the identity document must be attached)*

In the case of a person other than a natural person, please indicate:

In the case of a person other than a natural person, please indicate:

Provincial Government ☐ CC. ☐ Partnership/Joint Venture ☐

Municipality ☐ Co. ☐ Other (Specify) ☐

Name of Provincial Government, municipality, company, closed corporation, partnership or joint venture:

Registration number of Co. or CC.:

Trading as (if applicable):

In the case of a Co. or CC., attach the following:

A certified copy of the certificate of Incorporation: Yes ☐ No ☐

A certified copy of the certificate to commence business: Yes ☐ No ☐

Indicate the type of right or permit held by the applicant:

Reconnaissance Permit: ☐

Exploration Right: ☐

Production Right: ☐

Petroleum Right: ☐

PART B: DETAILS OF THE TRANSFEREE

Name and surname of the transferee:

Primary contact person:

Phone:

E-mail address:

Physical address:

Identity number:

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PART C: AFFIDAVIT

I hereby apply for the transfer of the environmental liabilities and responsibilities pertaining to the above-mentioned right or permit under the environmental authorization to a competent person with such qualifications contemplated in regulation 26(3).

I, _____ hereby declare that the information contained on this form is true and correct.

Signature:

Name:

Position:

Representing *(company or operator)*:

(attach certified copy of resolution, if acting in a representative capacity)

I hereby accept the transfer of the environmental liabilities and responsibilities pertaining to the above-mentioned right or permit under the environmental authorization, as a competent person with such qualifications contemplated in regulation 26(4).

I, _____ hereby declare that the information contained on this form is true and correct.

Signature:

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