

TEMPLATE FOR COMMENTS

<i>Document reviewed</i>		
Title of the draft being reviewed:		Draft standard and guidelines for the preparation and implementation of emergency response and contingency plans
<i>General Comments</i>		
e.g. The draft should include...		
e.g. Term ... should be used consistently throughout the draft		
<i>Specific Comments</i>		
Page	Line	Comment
3	34-39	The paragraph purporting to establish the relationship between the Standard/Guideline and other ISA documents appears potentially problematic. The Standard provides: "2. This Standard is to be read in conjunction with the Exploitation Regulations, as well as other relevant ISA Standards and Guidelines, including but not limited to those related to: • Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Impact Statement; • Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan; • Environmental Management Systems; and • Safety management."

		<p>Page 3/line 47-48, provides “This Standard <u>shall</u> be read in conjunction with the equivalent sections in the Guidelines.”</p> <p>These two paragraphs taken together could be read to indicate that interpretation of the Standard is dependent on certain Guidelines - which are not intended to be legally binding.</p> <p>The Guideline, at page 11/line 365, in turn provides that the Guideline “should be read in conjunction with corresponding sections of the Standard.”</p>
3	68	The phrase “acute pollution” is not defined and is not used in the draft exploitation regulations. Propose that the phrase “serious harm to the marine environment” be used instead.
6	186	“Significant changes” is not adequately defined.
7	206-226	The term “barrier” is not defined; propose that it be defined in the standard to ensure that there is a common understanding of the term.
12	440	“Significant consequence” is not adequately defined.
16	652	“Significant” is not adequately defined.
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17	661	“Significant” is not adequately defined.
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