

To Espoo Point Of Contact in

Sweden and Germany

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Consultation in accordance with Articles 4 and 5 of the Espoo Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo Convention) for the Hejre to South Arne development project

In a letter dated 21/02/2023, the Danish EPA notified your country on behalf of the Danish Energy Agency, in accordance with Article 3 of the Espoo Convention, of the Hejre to South Arne development project by INEOS E&P A/S. The operator has applied to develop and operate the Hejre field on their licenses in the Danish Sector of the North Sea previously operated by DONG E&P A/S. INEOS E&P A/S has replaced the original development concept, a stand-alone platform, with a new tie-back concept: The Hejre to Syd Arne concept.

The original Hejre concept was approved by the Danish Energy Agency in 2011 but the new concept cannot be contained within the current permit. Thus, an environmental impact assessment procedure has to be performed according to the Convention.

The operator, INEOS E&P A/S, has now prepared an environmental impact assessment: "Espoo Report". Denmark hereby – in accordance with the provisions of the Espoo Convention – sends the assessment documentation to you in order to give you the opportunity for consultations and public participation (Articles 4 and 5). The Espoo reports describing the project-related transboundary impacts potentially affecting the marine territories of neighboring countries will be at your disposal in English and German. A Danish version of the Espoo report has not been prepared, but a Danish EIA will be at your disposal as well.

Denmark, as the Party of Origin would like to draw your attention to the obligation of the concerned parties to arrange for distribution of the documentation to the authorities and the public in the areas likely to be affected.

For your information, the general public, NGOs and the authorities are entitled to comment on the EIA documentation from 30.06.23 to 01.09.2023 in Denmark.

The Espoo Report with information on the potential transboundary impacts can be downloaded from the Environmental Agency's website in a German and English version. Please find more information below. Denmark kindly asks you to submit your comments no later than 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2023 and to:

- provide comments concerning the assessment of the environmental impacts of the project affecting your country from Denmark;
- submit any comments you might receive from the public and the authorities in your country; and
- indicate preferably already before 01.09 2023 if you see a need for additional consultations.

Please send your comments to: Espoo@mst.dk marked nr. 2020-19605

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards

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## Enclosures

- 1. Espoo report Hejre to South Arne Development Project (EN)
- Espoo non-technical summary Hejre to South Arne Development Project (EN)
- 3. Espoo-bericht Hejre tie-back zu Süd Arne (DE)
- 4. Espoo nicht-technische zusammenfassung Hejre tie-back zu Süd Arne (DE)
- 5. The EIA documentation can be downloaded from the Danish Energy Agency's website (<u>WEBSITE</u>) in Danish and English from 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2023.