

Offshore Renewable Energy Site Assessment Authorization Application (Draft)

Date Click or tap to enter a date. **Related Licence(s) # (if applicable)** Click or tap here to enter text.

Survey Type(s): **Geophysical** ☐ **Geotechnical** ☐ **Metocean** ☐ **Wildlife** ☐

Pursuant to Section 142.011(1) of the *Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation and Offshore Renewable Energy Management Act* and Section 135AA of the *Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation and Offshore Renewable Energy Management (Nova Scotia) Act* and regulations made thereunder, Click or tap here to enter text.as Operator, hereby applies for an authorization to conduct a site assessment program in the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Area particulars of which are as follows:

Program Area Coordinates (NAD83) (attach map(s) with coordinates): Click or tap here to enter text.

Scope of the Purpose and Nature of Program: Click or tap here to enter text.

Equipment, Systems, Vessels and/or Aircraft to be Employed (attach detailed description, if known)

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Proposed Dates

Commencement Click or tap to enter a date.

Completion Click or tap to enter a date.

Authorized Representative of the Operator

Name Click or tap here to enter text.

Contact Click or tap here to enter text.

Company Click or tap here to enter text.

Signature Click or tap to enter a date.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION

A complete application form must be submitted along with the supporting information and documentation in Adobe PDF format. The level of detail should be proportionate to the scope, nature, and complexity of the proposed work or activity. The requirements for the application are outlined below.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- ❖ The development concept for the project as a whole, including, any plans for overlapping or concurrent authorizations, for the proposed work or activities to be undertaken in stages or for the overall project to be developed in stages
- ❖ Description of work or activity subject to application, including objectives, scope, location and timeline
- ❖ Location Map(s) or chart(s) of proposed project area with coordinates (pdf, jpeg)
- ❖ Description of support craft, vessels, aircraft or conveyance and associated equipment and systems in carrying out work or activities during Site Assessment
- ❖ Description of the surveys that are proposed to be conducted, including any seafloor hazard surveys and any biological, environmental, geological, geotechnical, geophysical, oceanographic, meteorological or archaeological surveys, as well as any analyses or assessments to be performed using the data obtained from those surveys
- ❖ Execution plan and schedule for work or activities subject to application, include indication of the need for any overlapping, or concurrent authorizations or for undertaking work or activities in stages
- ❖ A description of the potential effects that the work or activities that are the subject of the application may have on any other users of the operations site, including any potential impacts on the activities of other existing or future Licence holders
- ❖ A list of all necessary permits that are required from other government departments in relation to the proposed work or activities
- ❖ The target levels of safety and environmental protection that the operator proposes to establish for the work or activities that are the subject of the application
- ❖ A description of how the operator will conduct the work or activities that are the subject of the application in a manner that is in keeping with any information provided, any approach or methodology proposed and any technologies put forward in an application in respect of any

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previously authorized work or activities in relation to the project and, if the operator is proposing changes to that information or those approaches, methodologies or technologies, a detailed description of the changes that are being proposed, the rationale for those changes and a description of their effect.

- ❖ Results of relevant surveys and monitoring programs, and analyses and assessments based on the data from such programs and a description of how the results were taken into account in planning of the work or activities of subject to this application (if applicable)
- ❖ A description of the facilities, equipment and associated systems to be put in place for the site assessment, their proposed location, capabilities and limitations and, if any facilities, equipment or associated systems are to be installed on or moored to the seafloor, how they will be abandoned or removed and the timing of the removal or abandonment
- ❖ A risk assessment in respect of the proposed work or activities that addresses the safety of persons and infrastructure at or in the vicinity of an operations site
- ❖ An assessment of the environmental effects, including any cumulative environmental effects of the proposed work or activities
- ❖ A description of the measures that will be put in place to conform with all applicable laws relating to safety or environmental protection
- ❖ A Fisheries Communication and Engagement Plan
- ❖ An Indigenous Communication and Engagement Plan

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CONDITIONS OF EACH SITE ASSESSMENT AUTHORIZATION

The Operator, before the authorized work or activities begin, will develop and implement the following:

- Management System
- Safety Plan
- Environmental Protection Plan
- Emergency Management Plan

Information to be submitted to the Regulator for approval before the authorized work or activities begin:

- ❖ The name, position and contact information of the accountable person designated in respect of the management system, safety plan, environmental protection plan and emergency management plan.
- ❖ A description of the Management System, an explanation of its implementation, and statement of confirmation signed by the designated accountable person.
- ❖ Safety Plan
- ❖ Environmental Protection Plan
- ❖ Emergency Management Plan
- ❖ Dive Project Plan (if applicable)