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## EEZ100016: Tamarind Taranaki Limited marine consent and marine discharge consent applications – Tui Field

### Summary of evidence of Ian Baxter (marine environment)

1 November 2018

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1. This is a summary of my reports dated 26 May 2018 and 31 August 2018.
2. No issues have arisen since then that require me to respond further.
3. As set out in my report of 31 August 2018, all of the issues that I had raised in my report of 26 May 2018 have been appropriately addressed by Tamarind through their further information and their expert and non-expert evidence; specifically, the mitigation measures proposed to reduce the residual impact rankings for the following to as low as reasonably practicable (ALARP):
  - a) Accidental spills of hydrocarbons or chemicals – I believe that the deck drainage system described Section 3.3 of Tamarind's further information report (24 July 2018) is adequate to reduce the likelihood of accidental spills reaching the marine environment to 'Extremely Unlikely'. I note that the system described in the further information report is that which is present on the contracted rig (HYSY982).
  - b) Release of plastics into the marine environment – as Tamarind has committed to transporting all drill cuttings to shore for disposal, I consider that the likelihood of the release of plastics has been reduced to 'Extremely Unlikely'.
4. Overall, therefore, I consider that the information presented by Tamarind is robust, sound and well-reasoned, and that the potential effects of their proposed activities upon the marine environment can be avoided, remedied or mitigated as appropriate.