

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF INQUIRY
TAMARIND DEVELOPMENT DRILLING APPLICATIONS**

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IN THE MATTER

of the Exclusive Economic Zone and
Continental Shelf (Environmental
Effects) Act 2012

AND

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of a Board of Inquiry appointed under
s52 of the Exclusive Economic Zone
and Continental Shelf (Environmental
Effects) Act 2012 to decide on
Tamarind Taranaki Limited's marine
consent and marine discharge consent
applications

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF NON-EXPERT EVIDENCE OF
JASON PEACOCK FOR TAMARIND TARANAKI LIMITED**

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Introduction

1. My full name is Jason Lee Peacock and I am currently employed as the Country Manager New Zealand of Tamarind Resources Pte Limited ("Tamarind"). I am also a director of each of Tamarind's four New Zealand companies.
2. In this summary statement of evidence I summarise and set out the key conclusions of my primary evidence dated 20 July 2018 and my rebuttal evidence dated 19 October 2018.
3. My evidence provides an introduction and overview of Tamarind, including the company's history, its corporate structure, policies, systems and performance, and its community programs. I also provide an overview of the Tui Field and its operations and the proposed development programme that this application relates to. My evidence also discusses health, safety and environmental management, the biosecurity aspects of bringing a drilling rig into the country and the stakeholder engagement processes undertaken during the consenting process.

Tamarind

4. Tamarind is a privately held company, launched in 2014 and headquartered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Since my primary evidence was submitted, Tamarind has continued to expand and now employs approximately 220 staff and direct contractors across Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand and more recently the Philippines. In our New Zealand office, we have about 15 staff.
5. Following a further recent acquisition, Tamarind is now 56% owner and operator of the Galoc Field, located off the west coast of the Philippines. This acquisition now means that Tamarind is operator of 5,000 barrels of oil production per day.
6. Tamarind continues to be privately held, has two significant shareholders and is also supported by a range of private equity and financial institutions.

Tamarind's Activities in the Tui Field

7. The Tui Field was discovered in 2003 and developed by AWE and the Tui Joint Venture Partners over the subsequent five years, with production commencing on 30 July 2007.
8. The field comprises five production wells, which produce oil, gas and water to the Floating, Production, Storage and Offloading (FPSO) vessel "Umuroa". The FPSO Umuroa is owned and operated by BW Offshore (BWO) and provides services to Tamarind through an FPSO Charter Contract.
9. The Tui Field has produced more than 40.7 million barrels (6.47 million cubic metres) of crude oil since production commenced in 2007. Of note, if no further development activity is undertaken in the field, it is likely that by the end of 2019 production rates from the field will be uneconomic, and decommissioning and restoration of the asset would be required.
10. Therefore, the development drilling activities, the subject of the Applications, are intended to extend the life of the field and the existing assets by drilling up to four sidetrack wells that can be produced from using current field infrastructure.

Tamarind's commitment to Health, Safety and the Environment

11. Tamarind is committed to protecting the health and safety of all employees and ensuring that its activities are not harmful to the environment and to the wider community in which we operate. Tamarind's principal beliefs are that all accidents are preventable and that no task is so important that the risk of injury to people or damage to the environment is justified.
12. Tamarind operates in accordance with an approved Health, Safety and Environmental Management System (HSEMS), this being an overarching corporate system that defines the structure and systems in which HSE is managed in the company. This structure and operating methodology is approved at a corporate level and ensures that Tamarind operates globally in a manner that ensures our moral, legal and regulatory obligations for HSE are managed appropriately.

13. Tamarind's management of HS&E continues to be of utmost importance to the successful running of the organisation and the performance of the company continues to be in line with international and industry standards.

Spill Response Preparedness

14. To respond appropriately to a potential spill event, Tamarind has put in place the Tui Field Spill Contingency Plan (SCP), a document which is approved by Maritime NZ and the EPA. The objective of the SCP is to safely mitigate the effects in the unlikely event of a spill arising from Tamarind or its contractors' activities within the Tui Field.
15. Tamarind's employees and contractors are routinely trained and tested in emergency response preparedness, with the most recent training and exercises held in October 2018, when an oil spill scenario was undertaken as part of our statutory obligations in this area.
16. Tamarind has access to a wide range of spill response equipment and services if these may be required. These include equipment located on the drilling rig and the FPSO "Umuroa", access to subsea spill response equipment, oil skimming dispersant application equipment and several contracts and relationships with third parties who will provide appropriately skilled personnel to assist with the response to any possible well control incident or subsequent spill of harmful substances.

Biosecurity

17. To mitigate the potential for invasive species to be introduced into New Zealand via the drilling rig or other marine craft that are brought in from overseas, Tamarind will be strictly adhering to the requirements of Ministry for Primary Industry's (MPI) Craft Risk Management Standard for Biofouling.
18. Tamarind has met with MPI on several occasions and has a very clear understanding of the requirements of the Standard.

Insurances

19. Tamarind takes a robust approach to insurances and always ensures that it has insurance policies in place that meet or exceed its statutory obligations.
20. Tamarind has provided evidence to Maritime NZ to demonstrate that its insurance policies provide financial coverage that exceeds that required by New Zealand's regulations.
21. Tamarind is in receipt of a Certificate of Insurance from Maritime NZ that confirms this statement to be correct.

Commitment to Community

22. My evidence also refers to the commitment that Tamarind has in respect of developing and maintaining long-term relationships with the community. Tamarind is proud of the efforts by all those involved in this part of the business and continues to strive to provide opportunities for the growth of the community.

Stakeholder Engagement

23. Tamarind takes its responsibilities for Stakeholder Engagement very seriously and has developed meaningful and long term relationships with its stakeholders, in particular with Te Kāhui o Taranaki, with which Tamarind has regular engagement at an operational and management level.
24. Tamarind considers it has undertaken a structured and appropriate stakeholder engagement process as part of this application and that all key stakeholders have had an opportunity to understand the scope of the application and respond accordingly.
25. As part of this engagement process, Tamarind is now entering into a relationship agreement with Te Korowai o Ngāruahine and it also has a developing relationship with Otaraua hapū.

26. Tamarind acknowledges and respects that iwi and hapū have the responsibilities of kaitiakitanga, mana whenua and mana moana and in this respect has endeavoured to engage meaningfully and constructively with iwi and hapū during the application process.

Responses to Submitters

27. Tamarind has considered the responses from all the submitters very seriously and where valid concerns have been identified, Tamarind has endeavoured to remove, mitigate or minimise the area of concern.
28. In some instances, it is not possible, either through technical, commercial or political reasons, to mitigate the concerns completely. However, through direct discussion and hui with most of the submitters, Tamarind has been able to successfully address and mitigate most of these concerns.
29. In general Tamarind has been very encouraged by the responses from Submitters, by the constructive engagement process that has led to agreed mitigations, in most cases, and is pleased to note the significant number of positive or support submissions that were made on Tamarind's behalf.

Closing

30. In closing, I would like to briefly take this opportunity to thank the Board of Enquiry, the EPA, all the expert witnesses and the hard-working team at Tamarind for undertaking the necessary preparations for this application and hearing. I would also like to thank all those stakeholders who engaged meaningfully and constructively with Tamarind during the period leading up to this hearing.



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