

# OMV marine discharge consent application

**Submission Reference no:** 32

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**Submitter Type:** Not specified

**Source:** Web Form

**Overall Notes:**

**Clause**

Do you intend to have a spokesperson who will act on your behalf (e.g. a lawyer or professional advisor)?

**Position**

Yes

**Notes**

**Clause**

Do you wish to speak to your submission at the hearing?

**Position**

Yes I/we wish to speak to my/our submission at the hearing

**Notes**

**Clause**

If you wish to speak at the hearing, please select all that apply:

**Position**

If others make a similar submission I/we would consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing

**Notes**

**Clause**

Do you wish to receive regular updates from the EPA about the progress of this application?

**Position**

Yes I/we wish to receive all communications relating to this application.

**Notes**

**Clause**

What decision do you want the Decision-making Committee to make and why? Provide reasons in the box below.

**Position**

Refuse

**Notes**

Or defer until all related applications associated with OMV's EAD program are lodged and can be assessed together. I request that the non-notified marine consent for exploratory drilling be heard in public. Exploratory drilling is the most risky stage of all upstream petroleum activities - the effects are not 'insignificant'. The Navigatus report (2015) available on Ministry of Transport website says: "Drilling activity presents more risk than ongoing production activities. Given this, it is imperative that the required levels of assurance are increased before drilling commences to better reflect the potential financial implications of clean-up and compensation costs" and "Existing installations have much lower risk of an oil spill than drilling operations." <https://www.transport.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Sea/Documents/2015-11-30-Financial-Assurance-Review-Main-Report.pdf> The EEZ Act needs a major review to enable/foster rather than exclude public inputs and participation, to remove all loop holes so that it works effectively for the protection and sustainable management of all natural resources in the EEZ and continental shelf, to make sure that it is in line rather than in conflict with the Zero Carbon Act, and to make climate change a key consideration in all decision making.

**The submitter have elected to withhold their personal details from publication.**