

# OMV marine discharge consent application

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**Clause**

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

**Position**

No

**Notes**

Kao - No

**Clause**

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

**Position**

No I/we do not wish to speak to my/our submission at the hearing

**Notes**

Kao - No

**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**

Ae - Yes

**Clause**

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

**Position**

Refuse

**Notes**

Decline I support Climate Justice Taranaki's call to hold public hearings on OMV's exploratory drilling consent application and jointly process it with all related applications. International experience has demonstrated that there can be devastating environmental and socio-economic impacts across huge areas from exploratory drilling. New Zealand does not have sufficient on-site resources to cope rapidly with a major incident, which could impact much of the west coast of the North Island and the top of the South Island, encompassing globally significant marine mammal and seabird habitats. The effects of undisclosed harmful chemicals to be discharged at sea cannot possibly be assessed. Climate change is real - New Zealand has the obligation to deliver its commitment to the Paris Agreement under the UNFCCC and the EEZ-CS Act must be amended to include considerations of climate change.