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Dear Jillian

**Re: Application for a Marine Discharge Consent – Discharge of Harmful Substances**

Please find attached an application and associated impact assessment (IA) for a marine discharge consent to discharge harmful substances from hazardous and non-hazardous deck drains (offshore processing drainage) – commonly referred to as ‘deck drains’ – of a mobile offshore drilling unit(s) (MODU) that will be used to drill exploration and appraisal wells as part of Beach’s Canterbury Basin Exploration and Appraisal Drilling Programme (Canterbury Basin EAD Programme).

This application is being made under section 38 of the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) Act 2012.

The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) recently reviewed and provided feedback on a pre-lodgement draft of the IA. We thank you for those comments and have considered them carefully. This has resulted in several changes to the IA accordingly.

Please do not hesitate to contact myself on +64 (06) 769 9800 or [community@beachenergy.com.au](mailto:community@beachenergy.com.au) if you have any questions regarding application or the IA.

Yours sincerely

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