

In response to the Examining Authority's first set of questions (ExQ1), NEO would note:

ExQ1 INF.1.12 (Notification Period):

(a) NEO's position is that a minimum of 14 days' notice of installation activities during construction is insufficient and that a period of 28 days' notice would be more reasonable and realistic, as well as more aligned with industry standard.

(b) As noted in NEO's written representations (at paragraph 2.3 and Table 1), the operating model for the Babbage Field involves various parties, including NEO as licensed operator, Dana Petroleum as JV partner, ODE as Duty Holder, Installation and Pipeline Operator, and Fraser Well Management as Well Operator.

(c) A notification period of 14 days would give insufficient time for NEO to notify other parties involved with the Babbage Field and for other parties to respond to the notification and take any required actions in connection with the installation activities. 28 days would provide a more reasonable period.

ExQ1 INF.1.13 (Emergency Activities):

(a) NEO refers to its written representations.