



SAFETY STAKEHOLDER GROUP MEETING 2 18 DECEMBER 2018

Level 5
111 Bourke Street, Melbourne Vic
14:00 – 16:30

When	What	Who
14:00 – 14:15	1. Welcome and SSG Updates	Chair
14:15 – 14:45	2. Consultation Plan and Discussion Paper Overview <i>Discussion on DIIS Draft Consultation Plan and Discussion Paper overview</i>	SSG members
14:45 – 15:30	3. Draft Part 3 Workplace Arrangements Discussion Paper <i>Discussion on the Draft Discussion Paper on Workplace Arrangements.</i>	SSG members
15:30 – 16:15	4. Draft Part 4 Duties, Training, Competency and Mental Health Discussion Paper <i>Discussion on the Draft Discussion Paper on Duties, Training, Competency and Mental Health</i>	SSG members
16:15 – 16:30	5. Meeting Close and Next Meeting	Chair

Welcome and SSG Updates

- The Chair welcomed attendees to the second Safety Stakeholder Group (SSG) meeting, provided membership updates, confirmed the SSG 1 meeting notes and outlined the agenda for the meeting.
 - Attendees included: DIIS (Chair), APPEA, Santos, IADC, ACTU, Health and Safety Representative, AMSA, WorkSafe Victoria, NSW Resources Regulator, and NOPSEMA.
 - Apologies from: WA Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety and the Department of Jobs and Small Business.
- The Chair advised that the issues raised by participants at the workshops held in [Melbourne in August 2018](#) and [Perth in October 2018](#) have been considered by the department and are informing the development of the Discussion Paper.
- The Chair updated the SSG on the status of the Australian Government Response on the Senate Inquiry into WHS of Offshore Workers.
 - *DIIS will circulate a link to the Government Response to the SSG once it is tabled in the Senate and published.*
- The Chair reiterated that the Australian Government position is that the findings and recommendations of the Senate Inquiry will be considered as part of this Safety Review.

Consultation Plan and Discussion Paper Overview

- The Chair expressed that effective consultation with all stakeholders is crucial to the success of the review, and the department recognises that it needs to engage early and provide a variety of different ways people can be involved.
- Following feedback from the members at the first SSG meeting, the department prepared a Consultation Plan as a high-level document, which aims to let interested stakeholders know how and when they can be involved in the review process and provides links to further information where available.
- SSG members were encouraged to promote the consultation opportunities to their representative groups so that their members/employees are aware of the ways that they can share their views and perspectives on offshore safety-related issues with the department.
- The SSG discussed some of the consultation mechanisms outlined in the consultation plan, including online surveys and targeted meetings, in particular with a view to engage with members of the workforce. The department will work closely with the SSG in the development and organisation of these consultation opportunities.
 - *The SSG expressed overall support for the consultation plan and DIIS will finalise the plan for publication on the DIIS website.*
- The Chair discussed the Discussion Paper being prepared by DIIS as a key part of the review process. It aims to provide information on the current offshore petroleum safety regime and outline issues and challenges and views that have been identified by stakeholders to date.
- Feedback was provided by the SSG on the layout of the Discussion Paper, and DIIS will take this into account when preparing the final Discussion Paper for public consultation.

Draft Parts 3 and 4 Discussion Paper

- Draft Part 3 on Workplace Arrangements and Draft Part 4 on Duties, Training, Competency and Mental Health were provided to the SSG to seek their views on whether these parts

sufficiently and accurately capture the issues and concerns of their stakeholder groups/organisations.

- Part 3 outlines the current regime, compares it with the national WHS laws and international regimes where applicable, and outlines issues and concerns raised based on stakeholder feedback through the Senate Inquiry process and workshops.
- Part 4 outlines issues relating to duties, training and competency and mental health – areas critical to ensuring those who work in the offshore petroleum sector are competent in fulfilling their work responsibilities and understand their role in achieving health and safety outcomes.
- Both parts pose questions and invite stakeholders to consider their experience in relation to these issues and provide views supported by evidence.
- The SSG provided overall support for the content, layout and level of detail contained in the drafts, and indicated that the papers addressed the key themes (issues and concerns) accurately and sufficiently and the questions were open and reflective.
- Some feedback was received regarding the questions posed to stakeholders, including their wording and the potential use of additional questions.
 - *SSG members to provide DIIS comments or feedback on Parts 3 and 4, with a particular focus on the questions posed in the Discussion Paper ahead of SSG 3 meeting.*

Meeting close and next meeting

- The Chair thanked members for attending the second SSG meeting and sharing their views on the draft papers.
- The Chair proposed that the third SSG meeting be held in late February/early March 2019 in Perth.