

Do you believe the proposed regulations will encourage investment in the onshore conventional petroleum sector in Victoria?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

I would like to see an improvement in apathy about the current Climate chaos the Planet is undergoing.

Do you believe the proposed regulations adequately support community engagement and consultation?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

More community engagement is required with genuine discussion and debate about the risks of opening up new exploration, drilling and production of fossil fuels when we as a nation hasn't committed targets for CO2 reductions in the short term, let alone 2050.

What are your views on the proposed consultation requirements with the community and affected stakeholders in relation to notice/submissions as part of application process for authorities (e.g. retention and production titles)?

One public information session on Zoom held Thursday 12 August at 7PM was inadequate. It was also very difficult to log into. I missed the start and couldn't believe that GAS is being promoted as a transitional fuel to renewable energy. Gas is an explosive and polluting resource which is far safer to be left naturally underground and under the sea.

What are your views on the proposed consultation requirements with the community and affected stakeholders in relation to notice/submissions as part of Operation Plan?

Every home, farm and business place within maybe 25 kilometres of a drilling site needs to be contacted by letter, public Posters and newspaper advertisements re public meetings. These need to be held after Lockdowns when anyone and everyone is allowed to meet socially.

What are your views on the proposed consultation requirements with the community and affected stakeholders in relation to requirements for community engagement during the life of exploration, retention and production titles (as required in the title application)?

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What are your views on the proposed consultation requirements with the community and affected stakeholders in relation to requirements to describe community engagement during operations (as required in the Operation Plan)?

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Do you have any suggested improvements to the proposed regulations?

Yes

If yes what are your suggested improvements to the proposed regulations?

I suggest the Victorian State Government read the latest science on Climate Change since they initially approved more exploration licences for Gas. The Global Warming scenarios are happening now. Today, in Pennsylvania there are horrendous floods and President Jo Biden is attributing it to Climate Change - yet in some weird thinking he also calls on releasing the nations' fuel reserves for fuelling the petrol guzzling cars.

Do you believe the proposed regulations ensure that social, economic and environmental factors are adequately considered in decision-making for grant of Exploration, Retention and Production Titles?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

Social, economic and environmental factors would be improved if a decision was made to abandon the Titles.

Do you believe that the proposed regulations ensure that social, economic and environmental factors are adequately considered in decision-making for Operation Plan approval/variation and authority surrender?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

As above. Number 12.

Are the proposed operation plan requirements to manage risks and impacts likely to be effective specifically as they relate to environment management plans, well operation management plans, code of practice of well operations management and rehabilitation plans?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

Rehabilitation of Victoria's other abandoned mines need to be achieved first before we muck up more. Rewilding mines that are over the horizon, out of sight from the highways, would be an excellent start.

Are the proposed information and reporting requirements likely to be effective specifically as they relate to progress against a work program?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

Not applicable. Please refer to answer 8.

Are the proposed information and reporting requirements likely to be effective specifically as they relate to rehabilitation undertaken and changes in liability?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

As above. Please refer to answer 8.

Are the proposed information and reporting requirements likely to be effective specifically as they relate to results of monitoring undertaken?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

As above.

Are the proposed information and reporting requirements likely to be effective specifically as they relate to community engagement undertaken?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

Sincere, ethical exchange of information and environmental alternatives.

Are the proposed information and reporting requirements likely to be effective specifically as they relate to operational activities?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

As above... Sincere, ethical, etc...

Are the proposed information and reporting requirements likely to be effective specifically as they relate to incidents?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

Leave Gas in the ground . It is extinct flora and fauna of millions of years ago.

Are the proposed information and reporting requirements likely to be effective specifically as they relate to geological data?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

As above. Leave Gas safely underground before humanity becomes Extinct also.

Do you believe that the new regulations will provide a clear and effective administrative framework that facilitates petroleum development activities?

No

If not, what would you like to see improved?

It seems like there is little chance of influencing people who are invested in fossil fuels. Here's a quote from Upton Sinclair. "It is difficult to get a man to understand something when his salary depends upon his not understanding it."

Would you like to comment on any other aspects of the proposed regulations?

Yes

If yes, please describe

Apply alternative regulations for the people to help replenish our Planet.
Divest from Fossil Fuel,
Replace gas appliances with electric.
Have gas bottles removed.
Have cold showers like Wim Hoff 😊, or wait till lunchtime when the solar panels kick in.
Eat more salads, etc. . .
Attention - I tried to copy the questions and answers for my records, but this wasn't possible.
Why, I wonder ?