

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27TH SESSION:
COUNCIL - PART I**

Informal Working Group - Environment

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete.

1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

Federal Republic of Germany

2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

Draft Regulation 51

3. Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation or standard or guideline in the text box below, using the “track changes” function in Microsoft Word. Please only reproduce the parts of the text that are being amended or deleted.

Regulation 51 Compliance with the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan

A Contractor shall implement and adhere to, ~~in accordance with the terms and conditions of~~ its Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan and these regulations, and shall:

(a) Monitor and report annually under regulation 38 (2) (g) on the Environmental Effects of its activities on the Marine Environment, including a comparison between baseline data and monitoring data to determine the actual effects on the Marine Environment, and manage all such effects as an integral part of its Exploitation activities ~~as set out in the Standards referred to in regulation 45~~;

(b) Implement all applicable Mitigation and management measures to protect the Marine Environment, ~~as set out in the Standards referred to in regulation 45~~; and

(c) Maintain the currency and adequacy of the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan during the term of its exploitation contract in accordance with the relevant Standards, Best Available Techniques and Best Environmental Practices and taking account of the relevant Guidelines.

4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150 word limit]

We support the amendment by the Facilitator (in blue). In addition, we suggest a few amendments (red). The Para should introduce a general obligation to implement and adhere to the EMMP. We suggest the inclusion of an explicit requirement to compare monitoring data with baseline data (annually) to determine the actual environmental effects of DSM. Only through such before-after comparison can actual impacts be determined. Furthermore, the references to the environmental Standards of DR45 are not adequate/needed in (a) and (b).