

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27<sup>TH</sup> SESSION:  
COUNCIL - PART II**

***Informal Working Group - Environment***

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete and send to [council2022@isa.org.jm](mailto:council2022@isa.org.jm).

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

Norway

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

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**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 46

Environmental management system

1. A Contractor shall develop, implement and maintain an environmental management system, in compliance with the Standards and taking account of the relevant Guidelines.

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~~[1bis The Commission will develop a document that will set the binding minimum Standards for an Environmental Management Plan System:~~

~~1ter Compliance with this regulation is a fundamental term of the contract, for the purposes of Rregulation 103.]~~

2. An environmental management system shall:

(a) Deliver the Authority’s environmental objectives in the project area as reflected in the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan;

(b) Be audited [annually] by an independent recognized and accredited international or national organization; and

(c) Facilitate effective reporting to the Authority in connection with environmental performance, pursuant to Regulations 33, 34, 38, 39 ., 52 and, 58.

(d) [Undergo an annual management review and include the results in the Contractor’s annual reports and the performance assessment of the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan under Rregulation 52].

(e) Be in accordance with Good Industry Practice and Internationally Recognized Standards.

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

-(1) bis seems unnecessary, since it is already implicit in (1) that standards will be developed. “Environmental management plan system” is not a clearly defined term. - (1)ter: this is a welcome addition. (2) There are many different reporting requirements in the DRs. As a general note, we need

to ensure that the reporting requirements are efficient. We agree with the facilitator's comment that we need to look at the overall reporting burden on the contractor and not least on the LTC and Council who will be reviewing these reports.