

**TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 28<sup>TH</sup> SESSION:  
COUNCIL - PART I**

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

**1. Name of Working Group:**

IWG Environment

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

Russian Federation

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

Reg. 46

**4. 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.**

1. A Contractor shall develop, implement and maintain an environmental management system, in compliance with the Standards and taking account of the relevant Guidelines, ~~as well as Good Industry Practice, Best Available Scientific Evidence,~~

~~2. and in accordance with Good Industry Practice and internationally recognized standards.~~

2. An environmental management system shall, inter alia:

(a) Deliver the Authority’s environmental objectives in the area under application/~~eContract area~~ as reflected in the applicable Regional Environmental Management Plan and the Applicant’s Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan, as well as any additional objectives as set by the Contractor or Sponsoring State;

(~~eb~~) Be in accordance with Best Available Scientific Evidence, Best Environmental Practices, ~~and~~ Best Available Techniques ~~and Good Industry Practice.~~

(d) Undergo periodic at an interval defined in applicable Standard and include the results in the Contractor’s annual reports and the performance assessment of the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan under Regulation 52.

(b) Be audited periodically by an independent recognized and accredited international or national organization, in accordance with applicable Standards and Guidelines, at an interval defined in accordance with applicable Standard. ~~to be agreed to by the Legal and Technical Commission and the Contractor; and~~

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

~~.(d) Undergo periodic and include the results in the Contractor's annual reports and the performance assessment of the Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan under Regulation 52.~~

3. A proposed substantive change to a Contractor's Environmental Management System shall be treated the same as a modification of a Plan of Work, pursuant to regulation 57.

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