TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 29TH 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.

1. Name of Working Group:

Environment

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

Federal Republic of Germany

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

Annex VIII: Closure Plan

Red text is in original draft; blue text indicates Germany's textual proposals

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.

Annex VIII

Closure Plan

1. The Closure Plan or Final Closure Plan shall be prepared and implemented in accordance with regulation 7, the Environmental Management System, Standards and taking into account the relevant Guidelines and the relevant Regional Environmental Management Plan and shall include the following information:

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- (h) Details of monitoring to be undertaken during and after closure (comparable to monitoring efforts prior and during exploitation) that specify the sampling design (spatial and temporal sampling), the methods to be used and the duration of the post-closure activities. The temporal and spatial intensity of monitoring to be undertaken during and after closure needs to mirror monitoring efforts prior and during exploitation using the same methodology to allow for full quantification of the impact as well as of any recovery from impacts;
- 5. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150-word limit]

Germany suggests that para 1(h) was too vague and duplicative of DR 59, hence we propose a more detailed text.