TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 29TH SESSION: COUNCIL - PART II

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(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

The Pew Charitable Trusts

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

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 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. The Commission shall [only] consider an application for a Plan of Work [if a based on the adopted] Regional Environmental Management Plan [has been adopted] by the Council for the particular area and type of resource concerned in line with the Council approved procedures and template.

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

We support all the proposed amendments to this regulation.

Like other member States, while we believe development of REMPs should be prioritized whenever an application is submitted for an area not covered by an existing REMP, we want to avoid the development of the REMP to be unduly rushed. With that in mind, we suggest that at the end of paragraph 1 the following phrase be inserted: "in line with the Council approved procedures and template". We consider this will ensure due process and a level playing field and give appropriate weight to the procedure and template document just produced by the LTC at the Council's request.