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Climate Change Committee

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Your request:

This is a request under FOI / EIR for the following:

From 1 November 2021 to 1 March 2022, details of meetings between the Committee and senior executives at Offshore Energies UK (OEUK), known until Jan 2022 as Oil and Gas UK (OGUK) and / or any senior executives at Weber Shandwick working on its behalf.

Please include: list of attendees, including any external consultants present; agendas, meetings, briefing notes and/ or any documents circulated ahead of/presented at the meetings.

From 1 November 2021 to 1 March 2022, all written correspondence (including email, letter and WhatsApp communication) between the Committee and senior executives at Offshore Energies UK (OEUK), known until Jan 2022 as Oil and Gas UK (OGUK) and / or senior executives at Weber Shandwick working on its behalf

Our response:

This request has been treated under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004. Please find details of meetings and correspondence between the Climate Change Committee and senior executives at OEUK (formerly OGUK) and/or Weber Shandwick between 1st November 2021 and 1st March 2022 in Annex A. Annexes B, C and D comprise the slides referred to in Annex A and are available as separate attachments.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. If you are not content with the outcome of the review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. In keeping with our transparency policy, the information released to you will be published on www.theccc.org.uk. Please note that this publication will not include your personal data.

Kind regards,
Climate Change Committee

Annex A

Meetings

23rd February 2022

Attendees:

- Chris Stark, CCC Chief Executive
- [Name redacted], CCC Analyst – fuel supply lead
- [Name redacted], OEUK CEO
- [Name redacted], OEUK Supply Chain and Operations Director
- [Name redacted], OEUK Emissions Improvement Manager

Meeting subject: Briefing: CCC // OEUK - Climate Compatibility of New Oil and Gas Fields

Meeting invitation:

Apologies, reissuing to correct a small error

Dear all,

As arranged with [Name redacted], an invite to a briefing on our letter to BEIS on the climate compatibility of new oil and gas fields to be published on Thursday 24th.

Kind regards,

[Name redacted]
Executive Assistant

Climate Change Committee
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[Slides: the slides presented at this meeting are provided separately as Annex B]

4th February 2022

Attendees:

- [Name redacted], OGUK Energy Transition Adviser
- [Name redacted], OGUK Emissions Improvement Manager
- [Name redacted], OGUK Sustainability Director
- [Name redacted], CCC Analyst – fuel supply lead

Meeting subject: Checkpoint catch up

Meeting invitation:

Morning [Name redacted],

No problem the 4th works well

Speak then

[Name redacted]

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Hi [Name redacted],

We are hoping to have a close to complete finish on the Checkpoint submission by this point ahead of the official deadline. Would be good to have a quick catch up on both parties thinking and on the analysis

Happy to flex to suit a time for you guys; as always please forward to David and team if appropriate

Have a good weekend

[Name redacted]

17th January 2022

Attendees:

- [Name redacted], OGUK Energy Transition Adviser
- [Name redacted], OGUK Emissions Improvement Manager
- [Name redacted], OGUK Sustainability Director
- [Name redacted], CCC Analyst – fuel supply lead

Meeting subject: OGUK / CCC: Checkpoint and Plans for 22

Meeting invitation:

Hi [Name redacted], to follow up on the email, please see dial in details below.

Agenda:

- (1) Climate Compatibility Checkpoint
- (2) Forward looking plans for 2022 inc. planned reports

Please feel free to extend the invite to your colleagues also working on the Checkpoint.

[Slides: the CCC analyst presented slides to a series of stakeholders during this period and regularly made changes, so it has not been possible to provide the exact version of the presentation used in this meeting. The closest version available is provided separately as Annex C]

Correspondence

From: [Name redacted]

Sent: 23 February 2022 8:11

To: [Name redacted]; [Name redacted]; [Name redacted]

Subject: CCC Letter on Climate Compatibility of New Oil and Gas Fields

Dear all,

We're looking forward to speaking to you this morning to run you through the key points of our submission to BEIS' Climate Compatibility Checkpoint Consultation on Future UK Oil and Gas Licensing which we're due to publish tomorrow. Ahead of today's briefing call on our key findings, please find the strictly embargoed letter to Government attached.

Oil and Gas Letter.pdf

We'd kindly ask you not to circulate this letter before it is published on the CCC website on Thursday 24th February at 00:01.

Best wishes,

[Name redacted]
Executive Assistant

Climate Change Committee
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[Note: the Oil and Gas Letter that was attached to this email is available to download at <https://www.theccc.org.uk/publication/letter-climate-compatibility-of-new-oil-and-gas-fields/>]

From: Chris Stark
Sent: 8 February 2022 8:13
To: [Names redacted]; David Joffe, CCC Head of Carbon Budgets
Subject: Fwd: Meeting with [Name redacted], OGUK

Got this from OGUK.

I think we can probably handle this in the pre-brief we have planned for our oil and gas letter (which is no doubt what they really want to discuss in any case). So, just for info.

[Names redacted] - [Name redacted] is a good contact in OGUK for meetings.

Chris Stark

Chief Executive, Committee on Climate Change
@ChiefExecCCC | [Number redacted]

From: [Name redacted]
Sent: 3 February 2022 9:54
To: Chris Stark
Subject: Meeting with [Name redacted], OGUK

Good Morning Chris,

Apologies for contacting you direct, but the other two email addresses that I have for contacting your office have bounced back.

[Name redacted] and some of her colleagues would appreciate having a meeting with you to update you on the North Sea Transition Deal – one year on. Hopefully, you are agreeable to this, and I would therefore be grateful if your office could please contact me to arrange this meeting.

Thank you.

Kind regards.

[Name redacted]

PA to CEO

[Email redacted]

Tel: [Number redacted]

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From: [Name redacted]
Sent: 10 December 2021 12:19
To: Chris Stark; Undisclosed recipients
Subject: OGUK/EY Key Stakeholder Interview

Attachments: Stakeholder Interview Communication Pack.pptx [Provided separately as Annex D]

Good Afternoon,

This polite reminder is being sent on behalf of [Name redacted] and [Name redacted] (OGUK Supply Chain Director and Manager) and EY.

We would like to remind you of our invitation to participate as a key stakeholder in the UK Supply Chain for one of the areas currently being explored as part of the North Sea Transition Deal (NSTD) - OFFSHORE WIND/CCS/HYDROGEN. Your involvement will be vital for EY to successfully undertake a series of interviews to:

Develop Visibility of Supply Chain Opportunities

Analyse Current National & Regional Supply Chain Capability Mapping

The output of this will be a central repository, available to you from March 2022, which will act as a 'one true source' for the supply chain of key opportunities arising from the transition, providing ease of visibility and accessibility for all stakeholders within the supply chain. Please see attached the Stakeholder Communication Pack which contains information about the approach, timelines for delivery and outcomes.

Next steps:

To undertake research as listed above, we would value a 60 minute (max) informational interview with you. We are operating an online calendar, so you can book into a slot that is convenient to you. Please access this at [Link redacted].

Interviews will take place until 22/12/2021, so please confirm which time you are available for interview by 17/12/2021 at the latest. Please note that all

interviews are confidential, and any information you provide the team with will be anonymised. Interviews will be held online via Microsoft Teams and a link will be sent to you by EY after you have selected a time using the calendar. Please only use the link sent to you by EY and not the link automatically generated by the calendar application.

If you have any further questions, please do get in touch.

[Name redacted]

Business Services Co-ordinator

[Email redacted]

Tel: [Number redacted]

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From: [Name redacted]

Sent: 30 November 2021 2:03

To: Chris Stark; Undisclosed recipients

Subject: Supply Chain Transformation – Request for Input

Attachments: Stakeholder Interview Communication Pack.pptx [Provided separately as Annex D]

Good afternoon

This important message is being sent on behalf of [Name redacted] and [Name redacted] (OGUK Supply Chain Director and Manager), and EY.

You have been identified as a key stakeholder in the UK Supply Chain for one of the areas currently being explored as part of the North Sea Transition Deal (NSTD) - OFFSHORE WIND/CCS/HYDROGEN. Your involvement will be vital for EY to successfully undertake a series of interviews to:

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Kind regards

[Name redacted]

Business Services Co-ordinator

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[Note: Chris Stark did not participate in the stakeholder survey mentioned in the above emails]