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Dear Sir/Madam.

DISCHARGE OF CONDITION 6 (DRILLING METHOD STATEMENT AND CONDITION 11 (CONSTRUCTION ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN TO DRILL A SINGLE VERTICAL EXPLORATION BOREHOLE AT UNIT 20, SUTTON SPRING ROAD, LLANDOW TRADING ESTATE.

Thank you for consulting us on the above discharge of conditions which we received on the 3 of July. We have reviewed the following submitted information and provide you with our comments outlined below.

- Information supplied for Condition 6 of Planning 2013/00334/FUL Drilling Method Statement prepared by Coastal Oil and Gas Limited dated June 2015.
- Information supplied for Condition 11 of Planning 2013/00334/FUL Methods Statement & Environmental Management Plan prepared by Coastal Oil and Gas Limited dated June 2015.

The updated drilling method statement (dated June 2015) has provided additional information on the proposed testing phase of the borehole. This confirms that the exploratory phase will not produce gas or formation water.

Therefore, we are satisfied with the information provided and on that basis are able to recommend the discharge of conditions.

Note that Section 10 (Gas Testing) of the drilling method statement makes a reference to injection fall-off testing of coal. The geological log suggests that no coal measures are being intercepted by this particular borehole.

## **Planning Advice Note**

We refer you to our Planning Advice Note for further advice on drainage and pollution prevention measures.

If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

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