

# Environmental Protection Agency



In accordance with the Environmental Protection Act, 1996, the Environmental Protection (Amendment) Act, 2005, and the Environmental Protection Regulations, 2000, the Agency is required to publish its decision and the grounds on which the decision is made for Projects that were required to conduct Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs).

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Project Name	Location	Summary of Project Activities	Status of EIA			Environmental Permit Granted		Rationale for decision
			Approved	Rejected	Pending	Yes	No	
Esso Exploration and Production Guyana Limited - Liza Phase 1 Development Project – Offshore Production Drilling	Stabroek Area, Guyana License Offshore	The proposed project will be undertaken in the marine offshore environment, approximately 190 km (north of Georgetown), and would also include land-based facilities such as pipe yards and bonds, in support of marine offshore activities. The proposed project will include drilling of subsea development wells and use of up to two drill ships. A floating production, storage and offloading vessel (FPSO) will be moored and connected to the wells for production and will have the capacity to produce approximately 100,000-120,000 barrels of oil per day. Produced oil will be offloaded and transported to buyers via oil tankers.	June 01, 2017			June 01, 2017		<p>The Agency is satisfied that the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) conforms to the requirement of the EPA Act, and relevant local and international guidelines and policies ensure sound environmental management for this specific project. The Agency believes the proposed measures in the EIA and Environmental and Social Management Plan, and the Oil Spill Response Plan are reasonable to protect human health and environment. Approval of the Liza Phase 1 Project was granted following the completion of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process, taking into account the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the submissions received from the independent review of the EIA, Public comments, including stakeholders such as the World Wildlife Fund and Conservation International and the EIA Consultant's responses; and</li> <li>- the Environmental Assessment Board's recommendation on the acceptance of the EIA.</li> </ul>

								<p>Further, the Agency is satisfied that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- the Developer can comply with the terms and conditions of the Environmental Permit; and</li><li>- the Developer can pay compensation for any loss or damage which may arise from the project or breach of any term or condition of the Environmental Permit.</li></ul>
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