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The Managing Director,
Shell Petroleum Development Company (SPDC) Limited,
Shell Industrial Area, Rumuobiakani,
Port-Harcourt,
Rivers State.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) APPROVAL FOR THE
PROPOSED ASSA NORTH-OHAJI SOUTH GAS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AT
OHAJI/EGBEMA LGA, IMO STATE.**

Please refer to your request for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) permit for the above project and the Ministry's letter Ref. FMEnv/EA/EIA/123:808/Vol.I/294 dated 18th May, 2015.

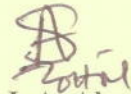
2. Following the successful conclusion of the evaluation of the project's EIA, I am directed to convey the Ministry's **EIA Approval** for the project subject to the following conditions:

- a. The EIA Approval covers:
 - i. Drilling and completion of Nine (9) gas wells in Ohaji/Egbema LGA, Imo State.
 - ii. Construction of a primary treatment facility with a total capacity of 600MMscf/d of gas and 45bbl/d of hydrocarbon liquid and;
 - iii. Construction of a field logistics base and other associated facilities for the gas development project.
- b. SPDC shall ensure that the construction, operation and maintenance of the pipeline aspect of the proposed project is subjected to a separate EIA study.
- c. SPDC shall ensure that drill cuttings and other associated wastes are managed in line with National and International standards.
- d. Prior to release of the treated waste water to the environment, SPDC shall ensure adequate monitoring of third party contractors handling the treatment of waste water from the rig site.
- e. SPDC shall put in place adequate Contingency Plan/Emergency Response Procedures to mitigate fire, gas leakages and any other incidence.
- f. SPDC shall implement an effective and sustainable waste management plan in the facility for all categories of wastes throughout the project life span.
- g. SPDC shall create adequate buffer zones around the project facility.



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- h. SPDC shall ensure continuous consultation with the project's host communities and other relevant stakeholders throughout the lifespan of the project.
 - i. SPDC shall fully implement a detailed Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) on the basis of a signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with relevant stakeholders and the project's host communities in line with global best practices/standards.
 - j. There shall be full implementation of the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) of the project.
 - k. The Federal Ministry of Environment (FMEnv) in collaboration with other relevant regulatory authorities shall carry out EIA Impact Mitigation Monitoring (IMM), Environmental Audits, Post Impact Assessment and Compliance Monitoring exercises on the project, and shall be facilitated by SPDC.
 - l. There shall be full implementation of an Environmental Management Systems (EMS) for the project throughout the project's life span.
3. The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Certificate and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) shall be issued in due course.
4. Congratulations.



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Director, Environmental Assessment Dept.
For: Honorable Minister.