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### OFFSHORE MINERALS

#### Offshore Petroleum (Licensing)(Amendment) Regulations 2005

(SR&O No. 14 of 2005)

*Made: 9 September 2005*

*Published: 16 September 2005*

*Coming into force on publication*

IN EXERCISE of my powers under section 12 of the Offshore Minerals Ordinance 1994(a) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I make the following Regulations —

#### **Citation**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Offshore Petroleum (Licensing)(Amendment) Regulations 2005.

#### **Amendment of the Offshore Petroleum Licensing Regulations 2000**

2. The Offshore (Licensing) Regulations 2000(b) are amended by inserting the following regulation immediately after regulation 3 —

#### **“Suspension of regulations 4 to 7**

**3A.**—(1) The Governor may from time to time by notice published in the *Gazette* (“a suspension notice”) suspend the operation and effect of regulations 4 to 7 either indefinitely or for such period as may be specified in that notice and may by a notice so published from time to time amend or revoke a suspension notice.

(2) A suspension notice shall be expressed to have effect in respect either of the whole of the controlled waters or in respect of such part or parts of the controlled waters as are specified in the suspension notice.”

Made this ninth day of September 2005

H J S Pearce CVO  
*Governor*

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(a) No 16 of 1994

(b) SR&O No 20 of 2000

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**  
*(not forming part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Offshore Petroleum (Licensing) Regulations 2000 by inserting a new regulation 3A enabling the operation of the open licensing system provided for by those regulations to be suspended from time to time in relation to the whole or part of the controlled waters.