



PAME II-2014: Annotation to Agenda Item 8.1 Concept Paper for Meaningful Engagement of Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples

The concept paper presents and explores possible processes for developing, and topics for, a project on *Meaningful Engagement of Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples in Offshore Oil and Gas Activities* that will form the basis for discussions at PAME II-2014. Participants are asked to review this paper and send comments before the PAME Meeting if possible to Dennis Thurston (dennis.thurston@boem.gov) and the PAME Secretariat (pame@pame.is) and be prepared to discuss the following identified issues:

Action: With the assistance of the Tables of AC Report Recommendations related to engagement of local communities and indigenous peoples (Annotation to Agenda Item 8.1), assess existing relevant guidance, ascertain the need, if any, for expanded, updated and/or additional new guidance, or an examination of best practices. An outcome could also be a compilation of existing AC recommendations and best practices/lessons learned.

Action: Define “Meaningful” in this context, if decided to retain. Discuss the use of the word “engagement” versus “participation” or other possible characterizations.

Action: Based on whether a decision is reached to proceed with a project, discuss and comment on possible enhancement, supplements, and updates to existing guidance for meaningful engagement of local communities and indigenous peoples in offshore oil and gas activities.

Action: Preliminarily explore possible connections and synergies with past, ongoing and planned work of various WGs, National Authorities, Indigenous Organizations, NGOs, and others.

Action: Decide on the target audience.

Action: Comment and discuss the “Pros” and “Cons” of each of the possible 5 approaches or possible hybrids of these approaches. Suggest best option.

Action: The Oil and Gas Contact Group will provide the PAME Secretariat with information to communicate to other working groups on results of discussions at the PAME II 2014 meeting about the project proposal decisions and requests for assistance if needed.

Action: Decide on the best approach for timing of the workshop and discuss and comment on possible outcomes, topics and agenda.

Action: Decide on start date and end date.