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Hi s47E, s22

Perhaps we could aim for Wednesday. Could you provide me with your contact details? I would like to bring another representative to the meeting as well. I will circle back to you.

Thanks

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Hi s47E, s22

Thank you for your email. Yes, I would like to talk to ARPANSA about the permit process for importing NORMs s47C, s22

However, it would be good to understand the process and regulatory requirements and possible interactions with the Hazardous Waste permit system (depending on the nature of the waste).

Next week, I have good availability on Monday afternoon and between 10-12 on Wednesday.

Thanks

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Hi ^{s47E, s22} [redacted]

Just further to ^{s47E, s22} [redacted] response below (he has actioned for me as I have been so busy with QoN's!), we have ^{s47C, s22} [redacted] with hypothetical scenarios re the Northern Endeavour decommissioning scale waste ^{s47C, s22} [redacted]

Assumptions:

- ^{s47C, s22} [redacted]
- ^{s47C, s22} [redacted]

^{s47C, s22} [redacted]
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^{s47C, s22} [redacted] an import permit could be issued by ARPANSA (assuming appropriate requirements are in place in Australia for receiving the waste). This then leads into storage/disposal issues ^{s47E, s22} [redacted] has indicated below. ARPANSA will need to be satisfied that ^{s47C, s22} [redacted] have an appropriate location for storage (or potentially disposal) of this waste as part of the import permit issuing process.

I would be happy to talk you and your team through this if you would like more information? It is a unique situation that has required some work internally for us regarding the regulatory pathway.

Regards

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Thank you s47E, s22, appreciate the quick response and am very happy to have the import in your hands 😊

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Hi s47E, s22

In terms of import, the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956 requires that radioactive material has an import permit of which ARPANSA is the permit issuing body. Depending the activity of the shipment, it is likely that the shipment would be regulated in to Australia. You can see more info here - [Import and export permits | ARPANSA](#). If an importer for a shipment is a private or state/territory entity, then our regulatory control stops after the border. s47C, s22

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[Redacted]

So in short, yes we would be the regulator of the NORM wastes from a radiological standpoint (noting this doesn't cover other possible hazardous chemicals in the waste).

Hope this helps and more than happy to jump on a Teams call if you wanted to discuss further.

Kind regards

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Hi ARPANSA Colleagues

We had a chat a year or two ago, and unfortunately, I can't find my notes.

Are NORMs that are being imported controlled under your Act? These NORMs will be wastes generated from the recycling of the Northern Endeavour FPSO.

Thank you

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