Kitan Development Project

Eni has a 40% interest in and is Operator of the JPDA 06-105 PSC area, containing the Kitan oil field, approximately 170 km from the southeast coast of Timor-Leste and 550 km northwest of Darwin, Australia. The Kitan Field Development involves offshore drilling of oil production wells, and installation and operation of a Floating Production Storage and Offloading (FPSO) facility. The projected life of the oil field is about seven years.

Eni-JPDA-06-105 Pty Ltd (Eni) proposes to develop the Kitan oil field in deep offshore waters (~310m water depth) of the Joint Petroleum Development Area (JPDA) in the northern Bonaparte Basin of the Timor Sea. The reservoir is located ~3,300m below the seafloor, with estimated recoverable oil reserves in the order of 1.1 million bbls (0.17 million m³).

Open for Public Comment

All members of the public, businesses and interest groups are invited to comment on the offshore oil production project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared by Eni JPDA 06-105 Pty Ltd (Eni) for the Kitan Field Development, which presents the case for environmental acceptability of this project.

The Development is being jointly assessed by the Timor-Leste and Australian government under the JPDA Interim Regulations issued under Article 37 of the Petroleum Mining Code. The draft EIS was submitted to the regulator, the Timor Leste Autoridade Nacional do Petróleo (ANP) (National Petroleum Authority), in February 2010, and has been reviewed by Timor-Leste government agencies and the Australian Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism (DRET). Eni has now issued the Final EIS. The Final EIS is available for public review and comment for a period of six weeks, from 9 October to 19 November 2010, at www.eni.com/kitan. Hard copies can be requested by telephone on +61 (0) 8 9320 1132. Any queries, opinions or requests for information on the Kitan Field Development may be forwarded to Eni in writing as follows:

Email addresses:
Respondents must provide their name and address, and should refer to section numbers and page numbers (e.g. Section 2.2.3, page 31) when raising specific queries.

Eni will forward an acknowledgement of receipt for all submissions received, and will endeavour to provide a response to each submission. Eni will also provide copies of all submissions to the ANP and DRET, if requested. Any stakeholder comments resulting in a change to the environmental management of the Kitan Field Development will be incorporated into the environmental management plan for the relevant project phase.