



# NSTA Case Register

Case ref	Issue	Parties	NSTA powers	Area of North Sea	Date opened	Status	Stage: Investigation/Draft Decision/Final Decision/ Withdrawn	Date closed [link to case decision document]
<b>2018-00019</b>	Commercial Transaction – late life assets (right assets right hands)	ConocoPhillips / DNO / Premier / Tullow / BP / Neptune	Sanction investigation	Southern North Sea	February 2018	Closed	Final Decision	<b>30 July 2019</b> <a href="#">Case decision document</a>
<b>2018-00094</b>	Access to FPO infrastructure (resource progression)	*	Third Party Infrastructure Access Dispute	Central North Sea	Dec 2018	Closed	Draft Decision, Application later withdrawn	<b>12 February 2020</b>
<b>2019-00104</b>	Dispute over the prioritisation of access to Cygnus capacity in relation to transportation and processing services for gas from the Pegasus field	Owners of Cygnus (Neptune E&P UK Ltd and Spirit Energy) and owners of Pegasus (Spirit Energy and Hague and London Oil BV)	Own initiative Non-Binding Dispute Resolution	Southern North Sea	June 2019	Closed	Final Decision	<b>30 August 2019</b> <a href="#">Summary of Recommendation</a>
<b>2021-00111</b>	Investigation into the non-compliance of licencing terms for reporting the Vorlich Extended Well Tests	BP Exploration Operating Company Limited	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	January 2021	Closed	Final Decision	<b>26 July 2021</b> <a href="#">Sanction Notice</a>
<b>2021-00119</b>	Investigation into the loss or deferral of production	*	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	June 2021	Open	Investigation	
<b>2021-00118</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of field production consents	Shell U.K. Limited	Sanction investigation	Southern North Sea	August 2021	Closed	Final Decision	<b>21 April 2022</b> <a href="#">Sanction Notice</a>
<b>2021-00117</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of a flare consent	Equinor U.K. Limited	Sanction investigation	Northern North Sea	August 2021	Closed	Final Decision	<b>1 December 2022</b> <a href="#">Sanction Notice</a>

<b>2021-00121</b>	Investigation into Exxon Mobil-NEO transaction: Transfer of Interests in the Elgin and Franklin Fields, the SEAL Pipeline and SVT	TotalEnergies E&P UK Limited and E. F. Oil and Gas Limited/Esso Exploration and Production UK Limited/NEO Energy Upstream UK Limited	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	October 2021	Closed	Final Decision	<b>14 April 2022</b> <a href="#">Press release</a>
<b>2021-00120</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of field production consents	Spirit Energy North Sea Limited	Sanction investigation	Southern North Sea	December 2021	Closed	Final Decision	<b>25 November 2022</b> <a href="#">Sanction Notice</a>
<b>2021-00128</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of a flare consent	EnQuest Heather Limited	Sanction investigation	Northern North Sea	December 2021	Closed	Final Decision	<b>25 November 2022</b> <a href="#">Sanction Notice</a>
<b>2022-00125</b>	Investigation into a possible failure to meet licence obligations	*	Sanction investigation	*	August 2022	Open	Investigation	
<b>2022-00126</b>	Investigation into a possible failure to meet licence obligations	*	Sanction investigation	*	August 2022	Open	Investigation	
<b>2022-00123</b>	Investigation into a possible failure to meet licence obligations	*	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	September 2022	Open	Investigation	
<b>2022-00132</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of flare and vent consents	Repsol Sinopec North Sea Limited	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	October 2022	Closed	Final Decision	<b>5 December 2023</b> <a href="#">Sanction Notice</a>
<b>2022-00133</b>	Investigation into possible commencement of well test activity without consent	*	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	October 2022	Closed	The investigation is closed: it did not meet with the considerations to pursue the investigation as set out in the NSTA's Sanction Procedure.	<b>22 March 2023</b>
<b>2023-00135</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of a field production consent	*	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	January 2023	Closed	The investigation is closed: it did not meet with the considerations to pursue the investigation as set out in the NSTA's Sanction Procedure.	<b>14 August 2023</b>
<b>2023-00136</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of a vent consent	*	Sanction investigation	Northern North Sea	January 2023	Closed	The investigation is closed: it did not meet with the considerations to pursue the investigation as set out in the NSTA's Sanction Procedure.	<b>15 August 2023</b>

<b>2023-00134</b>	Investigation into a possible failure to meet licence obligations	*	Sanction investigation	West of Shetland	February 2023	Closed	The investigation is closed: it did not meet with the considerations to pursue the investigation as set out in the NSTA's Sanction Procedure.	<b>28 February 2024</b>
<b>2023-00137</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of a vent consent	NEO Energy Production UK Limited	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	March 2023	Closed	Final Decision	<b>10 April 2024</b> <a href="#">Sanction Notice</a>
<b>2023-00138</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of a vent consent	Perenco UK Limited	Sanction investigation	Onshore	August 2023	Closed	Final Decision	<b>24 April 2024</b> <a href="#">Sanction Notice</a>
<b>2023-00139</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of a vent consent	*	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	December 2023	Open	Investigation	
<b>2023-00140</b>	Investigation into a possible failure to have the appropriate consent to plug and abandon	*	Sanction investigation	*	December 2023	Open	Investigation	
<b>2023-00141</b>	Investigation into a possible breach of a vent consent	*	Sanction investigation	Central North Sea	December 2023	Open	Investigation	

\* The NSTA may publish names of relevant parties to a dispute or sanctions case if it considers that such disclosure would be in the public interest.

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