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The Managing Director
Shell Petroleum Development Company of Nigeria
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Marina
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Dear Sir,

APPROVAL OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) REPORT OF BONNY DEEP EXPLORATORY WELLS

We acknowledge receipt of your letter referenced SPDC-HSE-2019-0538L dated August 2, 2019 transmitting the updated report for the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) of Bonny Deep Exploratory wells, which was in response to ours referenced DPR/HSE.02/001.101/2019/020 dated March 19, 2019.

2. Following our review of the report, we are pleased to convey to you the Department's **acceptance** and **approval** of the EIA for the Bonny Deep exploratory wells.
3. This approval is premised on the following conditions:
 - i. No unauthorised discharges shall occur as a result of the drilling activity. Drill cuttings spent drilling mud, sanitary waste water and all other waste streams generated shall be handled in full compliance with the conditions stated in the drilling permits and in line with best practices outlined in the Environmental Guidelines and Standards for the Petroleum Industry in Nigeria (EGASPIN 2018).
 - ii. Operational controls for the drilling activity should be monitored for compliance and effectiveness on a regular basis to ensure that environmental resources are adequately protected and conserved. In addition, formal deviation and corrective action tracking procedures for identifying corrective actions in response to incidents or environmental/ social deviations during the drilling operations should be established and implemented.
4. Please note that, in line with the provisions of Part IX Appendix II-4 (2.0) of the Environmental Guidelines and Standards for the Petroleum Industry in Nigeria (EGASPIN, 2018), after drilling has commenced, you are required to carry out a second study (post-drill) after 9 months or after 5 wells have been drilled, whichever comes first.

5. By this approval, you may proceed to obtain the requisite permits and consents from the Department for the proposed drilling activity.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Moriki U.S.", written in a cursive style.

Moriki U.S

For Director of Petroleum Resources