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**OFFSHORE ENERGY  
INSTALLATIONS CONSULTATION  
RESPONSE**

*Supplementary note to:*  
Government Response to  
the Consultation on  
proposals to the  
Decommissioning of  
Offshore Energy  
Installations

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Offshore energy installations consultation response: Supplementary note on proposals relating to the decommissioning of offshore energy installations.

The Government Response to the Consultation reports that we intend to disapply certain provisions of the Insolvency Act 1986 from trusts and other arrangements established solely for the purpose of decommissioning so that they are safe for that purpose and do not fall to the insolvency office-holder and creditors in the event of insolvency. In the **oil and gas** sector it is likely that such trusts or other arrangements could be established prior to the coming into force of the new legislation. **The provision will therefore apply to trusts or other arrangements created on or after 1 December 2007.**