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Vår saksbehandler  
**Elin Sigrid Witsø**

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Vår ref. (bes oppgitt ved svar)  
**Ptil 2021/740/ESW**

Dato  
**20.08.2021**

Dear Sirs

### **Order following the investigation of an oil spill via the produced-water plant on Gullfaks C on 26 April 2021**

We began our investigation on 28 April 2021 into the incident of 26 April 2021 involving an oil spill via the produced water plant on Gullfaks C. We refer to our notice of an order and the transmission of our report on 2 July 2021. In conformity with that notice, we hereby issue the following order.

*Pursuant to section 69 of the framework regulations on administrative decisions, see section 26 of the activities regulations on safety systems, Equinor is ordered to review internal requirements in Equinor and established routines on Gullfaks C in order to ensure that overriding of safety systems is conducted in accordance with the regulatory requirements. See chapter 9.1.1 of the report.*

*The deadline for compliance with the order is 30 September 2021. We must be notified when the order has been complied with.*

An appeal can be made against this decision pursuant to section 28 of the Public Administration Act. The deadline is three weeks from the receipt of this letter. A possible appeal will be heard by the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, but must be submitted to us. Further information on the right to lodge an appeal and the procedure for doing so can be obtained from us.

This decision must be made known to the elected officers for the workforce, including the safety delegates, pursuant to section 18-6, paragraph 8, of the Working Environment Act.

The decision will be published on [www.psa.no](http://www.psa.no).

Yours faithfully

Kjell Marius Auflem, by authority  
*Head of supervision*

Elin S Witsø  
*Principal engineer*

*This letter has been approved electronically in the PSA and accordingly bears no signatures.*