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CLARIFICATION ON CIRCULATED WHATSAPP MESSAGE

Brunei Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP) would like to update members of the public regarding the contents of a WhatsApp message that was circulated this afternoon (Thursday, 26 July 2018) in regards to the smell in some parts of the Belait district earlier today.

We would like to advise members of the public that the message circulated was misleading and was not issued by BSP.

BSP carries out its activities with safety as its utmost priority. Currently, BSP is carrying out shut-down maintenance activities in Rasau and one of the activities which must be carried out is the inspection of certain liquid holding tanks.

Prior to the inspections occurring, it was necessary for the tanks to be cleaned. The cleaning process required that residual products be removed from the vessel. In the process of removal of these residual products today, a strong smell was identified. As a result, BSP immediately stopped the tank cleaning activity, and it is anticipated that any residual smell experienced by members of the public should now have stopped.

We would like to assure members of the public that BSP is monitoring the situation closely. Should members of the public continue to smell any unpleasant odour, please call BSP’s hotline on 8777449.

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