APPENDIX 2 - JUSTIFICATION FOR REDACTION OF APPLICATION FOR AWARDING OF PROJECT AREA IN UTSIRA NORD

# information

Applications for the award of a project area in Utsira Nord must contain a copy of the application in which any information concerning technical installations and procedures as well as operational and commercial matters that must be kept secret for competitive reasons, has been redacted – in addition to a justification for the redaction – see paragraph 5 III F of the announcement document.

The reason for any redaction of information in the application must be stated in the table on the next page, and the document must be submitted with the application.

* The document that has been redacted must be stated in the "Document" column
* Where in the document (page number, paragraph, section, etc.) the redacted information occurs must be stated in the "Reference" column
* In the "Justification for confidential information" column, a description must be provided of the type of information that has been redacted **in addition to** a more detailed explanation of why it must be kept secret for competitive reasons

The table can be expanded with additional rows if needed.

For further guidance concerning the legal conditions under which information is considered to constitute a commercial secret subject to a duty of confidentiality (Section 13 of the Freedom of Information Act, cf. Section 13(1) no. 2 of the Public Administration Act , reference is made to, inter alia, the [Ministry of Justice's "Guidance on the Freedom of Information Act" (*Rettleiar til offentleglova*), section 6.2.4](https://www.regjeringen.no/contentassets/3a11886db3604e9d9a049e872564467d/rettleiar_offentleglova.pdf).

If the applicant believes that there are other legal grounds for exempting information in the application from public disclosure, this must be specified separately.

It should be noted that the Ministry will, on receipt of a request for, make an independent assessment of whether or not there is a legal basis for exempting the information the applicant has redacted from public disclosure. If, in the view of the Ministry, there are no grounds for exempting the information, the Ministry will be obliged to provide access to such information.

When redacting the application, the applicant must ensure that the redaction is technically secure, so that it cannot be opened and so that unintended access to the information cannot be given in some other way.

# Justification for redaction for: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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