



# Legislative Council Legal and Social Issues Committee

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**Question taken on notice**

**Directed to:** Professor Tina Soliman Hunter

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## 1. P.3 Melina Bath

**Question:** - Can you provide a short context on what we need to know about that for a Victorian context, please? I am also interested in, when we are talking about wells, the opportunity of repurposing offshore sites for carbon capture and storage. Do you have any commentary on that – plus, minus or indifferent?

**Tina SOLIMAN-HUNTER:** We are. Okay. One of the most troublesome companies is Woodside. That has been the thorn in NOPSEMA's side for a very long time, and in fact I have been privy to in conversations with Woodside that their whole tactic is about getting around NOPSEMA's directions and what NOPSEMA requires. So there are some what I would call less than cooperative elements, and NOPSEMA is taking a very strong stand in relation to well integrity -

**Melina BATH:** - if you have any other examples of where that independent adjudicator is there and you could provide that in writing to the committee, that would be good.

**Tina SOLIMAN-HUNTER:** Certainly -

**Response:**

**Please refer to the following publications:**

<https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5d36e613ed915d0d083f29cf/reuse-oil-gas-assets-ccus-projects.pdf>

[https://energyproducers.au/all\\_news/media-release-potential-to-recycle-oil-and-gas-infrastructure-for-carbon-capture-hub/](https://energyproducers.au/all_news/media-release-potential-to-recycle-oil-and-gas-infrastructure-for-carbon-capture-hub/)

<https://www.offshore-technology.com/features/seven-surprising-ways-to-repurposing-offshore-oil-and-gas-infrastructure/?cf-view>

**Article:**

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2666790824000776>

<https://www.dnv.com/news/2025/collaboration-advances-feasibility-of-co-transport-via-repurposed-danish-pipeline/>