

September 16, 2022

Dear Contractors,

Thank you for your diligent support over this pandemic period. As you are aware, we had to adapt to the peculiarities of operating during a pandemic while still upholding the standards of our audits. In this update, we wish to advise you of our way forward as we make the first calculated steps in a world where COVID-19 is something we will have to accommodate in our daily lives.

After much consideration, the STOW Implementation Board has decided that even though COVID-19 is still a risk, there is immense value in conducting some audit activities on site in that it allows for transparency and retains the standard of STOW certification. Therefore, effective **October 3rd, 2022**, all STOW audits will be conducted using a **hybrid approach**.

Please note the following for the hybrid STOW audit:

- Opening and closing meeting: These meetings will be conducted remotely
- Assessments of HSE documents: Contractors are to continue uploading HSE documents on the STOW database and the Assessor will evaluate these documents remotely
- Interviews & physical conditions tour: Site visits are mandatory for interviews and the physical condition tour(s) of all sites to be certified
- Contractors are required to complete the STOW Contractor Covid-19 Safety Protocol Checklist

Contacting the STOW Project Office

The full complement of staff is not present at our offices therefore we urge you to utilize emails and phone calls to contact us.

Please note the following:

- To reach the STOW department between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm, please contact Keina at 354-4189 or keina@energy.tt; Ayanna at 361-1299 or ayanna@energy.tt; Natalie 354-4183 or natalie@energy.tt.
- We continue to accept only electronic contracts. All contracts must be signed, scanned and submitted via email to Keina@energy.tt and Ayanna@energy.tt Please be reminded to initial all 13 pages of the contract.
- Payments for STOW audits/certification can be done via wire transfer, bank deposit or credit card via the credit card portal (access provided upon request). Proof of payment to be submitted to Keina@energy.tt and Ayanna@energy.tt
- Banking details are as follows:

First Citizens Bank, Point Lisas AC# -1355950

We look forward to your cooperation and encourage you to remain safe. For further information, please feel free to reach out to Keina Calliste or Ayanna Bartholomew.