**INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION IEC SYSTEM FOR**

**CERTIFICATION TO STANDARDS RELATING TO EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN**

**EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES (IECEx SYSTEM)**

**TITLE: Extended Application of IECEx Operational Document, OD 060 to end June 2022**

**CIRCULATED TO:**

**IECEx Management Committee, ExMC, IECEx Executive, IECEx Accepted Certification Bodies (ExCBs) and IECEx Assessors**

Further to document ExMC/1605/Inf – Application of IECEx Operational Document OD 060 *IECEx Guide for Business Continuity – Management of Extraordinary Circumstances or Events Affecting IECEx Certification Schemes and Activities*.

It was agreed that application of IECEx OD 060 would remain until end 2021, with the IECEx Executive Secretary in consultation with the IECEx Executive to review the situation by December 2021. This review has now been undertaken and while noting the general easing of travel restrictions, but with special conditions required by countries, employers, which are expected to remain well into 2022, the IECEx Executive have determined that in the interests of the IECEx community and the need for business certainty that the application of OD 060 shall continue until end June 2022, with the IECEx Executive to again review the situation prior to end June 2022.

For clarity, as at the time of preparing this notice, IECEx OD 060 is at Edition 2.1 and available from the IECEx website <https://www.iecex.com/publications/operational-od/>

On behalf of the IECEx Chair and members of the IECEx Executive I take this opportunity to thank all IECEx Members, Member ExCBs and IECEx Assessors for their continued support and commitment of the IECEx business during these very challenging times.

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