



Dispute Resolution

Recognising that clients need lawyers with knowledge of their industry who can add value to their business, as part of the dispute resolution team, Hammonds has a dedicated international team of pre-eminent litigation lawyers focused on resolving disputes in the energy sector. We have a long tradition of advising clients across the energy sector, including power generators and leading multi-national oil and gas companies (upstream, midstream and downstream), on dispute resolution issues. We take an imaginative and client-driven approach to dispute resolution, assisting clients in preventing disputes; designing dispute management systems to provide business solutions without the need for litigation; and being formidable litigators where proceedings are unavoidable.

EXAMPLES OF OUR WORK

- Representing a UK power generator in a £100 million arbitration in respect of claims arising from a major turbine failure.
- Acting for a UK power generator in relation to a substantial fraud issue and a separate construction dispute.
- Being retained by a leading power generator in relation to advice on and obtaining injunctions, where necessary, against protestors at any of their power stations.
- Representing a Japanese contractor in ICC arbitration in relation to a Singapore power station.
- Resolving a dispute for a petrochemical producer in relation to a new production plant that was late and over budget.
- Advising an oil and gas major in relation to issues arising out of the shipment of LNG.
- Acting for a contractor in court proceedings in relation to claims for payment and design responsibility arising out of a contract for the design, build and supply of an offshore service vessel for the UK gas and oil industry.
- Advising on confidentiality arrangements and project documents for design, build, finance and operation of a CHP plant, together with settling generic energy management and energy tolling documents.
- Expert determination between two oil majors arising from a dispute over a fuel supply contract.
- Expert determination for North Sea gas sellers against a gas purchaser in respect of the imposition of penalties under take or pay principal gas sales agreements for the production, delivery and supply of natural gas.

“Hammonds is the three-time winner of the CEDR Award for professional firm excellence in the use of mediation.”

- Representing a mining company in court proceedings against engineering consultants in respect of negligent advice in relation to the purchase of a coal mine.
- Acting for an oil major against a gas company in a dispute relating to gas delivered from UKCS gas fields.
- Acting for a developer in a dispute arising out of a development agreement for the exploitation of a gas field in the North Sea.
- Advising in relation to contentious NETA renegotiations.
- Arbitration concerning a crude processing contract with a foreign refiner.
- Mediation of warranty claims brought by the purchaser of a petrochemical business.

OUR TEAM

Hammonds has a dedicated international group of pre-eminent litigation lawyers focused on resolving disputes in the energy sector. The Energy Litigation group has a depth of experience ranging from disputes involving power stations, oil refineries and pipelines to disputes arising from trading and supply agreements.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

“This firm has a long established reputation for excellence in the energy sector” (Chambers & Partners, 2010). “Hammonds seems to have discovered the holy grail of top quality advice at a reasonable cost” (Legal Week Client Satisfaction Report, 2009).

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