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Dear Ms Libretto,

**The Dogger Bank Creyke Beck Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 – Proposed Non-material Change Application  
Regulation 7(3) - Request for Approval of the Consultee List**

Doggerbank Offshore Wind Farm Project 1 Projco Limited and Doggerbank Offshore Wind Farm Project 2 Projco Limited are a Joint Venture between SSE and Equinor, which have been set up to take forward the development of the Dogger Bank Creyke Beck Projects (herein referred to as the project/s). Consent was granted for the Creyke Beck Projects in February 2015 under The Dogger Bank Creyke Beck Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 (the DCO). The DCO was subsequently amended by The Dogger Bank Creyke Beck Offshore Wind Farm (Amendment) Order 2019 in April 2019.

The Dogger Bank Creyke Beck project team is intending to apply for a non-material change to the DCO as amended in relation to the offshore works of the project. The project is seeking a non-material change to the DCO as amended for the removal of the stated gross electrical output capacity of up to 1.2 gigawatts per project. No changes are being sought for the parameters of the projects (i.e. height of turbines, rotor diameter, pile diameter and hammer energy). It is envisaged that the change in the electrical output capacity will be achieved through the utilisation of more efficient wind turbines within the existing parameters and controls imposed by the DCO as amended. The change will not necessitate any amendments to the consented project envelope.

The proposed change is relevant to the offshore works only as it relates to the generating capacity, and no changes are being sought to the onshore works. For the avoidance of doubt, no changes are being sought to the offshore works either.

In accordance with Regulation 7(3) of the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011, we are seeking the consent of the Secretary of State for a focused and targeted consultation for the proposed non-material change application. This is due to the proposed amendment only being relevant to the offshore works and therefore not affecting onshore consultees or land owners, as well as the amendment not involving any changes to the project envelopes, including the parameters or controls already contained within the DCO. As such, it is not considered necessary to consult all stakeholders that were informed of, or involved in, the DCO application process. In identifying the consultee list, consideration has also been given to the consultation responses received as a result of the project's previous non-material change application (applied for in June 2018 and subsequently granted in April 2019 in relation to an increase in rotor diameter), as well as other recent and similar applications made by other developers.

As such, a reduced consultee list is proposed, limited to those who either responded to the previous application or who are considered to have a clear interest in the nature of the proposed change. Details of the consultees that the project proposes to consult with on the non-material change application are provided in Appendix 1 to this letter, with Appendix 2 listing those consultees that the project does not intend to consult with. The tables include details on whether the consultee is a Section

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42 consultee, whether they submitted a relevant or written representation during the examination, or a response to the previous non-material change application and the reasons for their exclusion from this consultation, where appropriate.

In addition, formal public consultation will also be undertaken, with a notice of the application being published in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Infrastructure Planning Regulations 2011. This notice will be published for two consecutive weeks in the following publications:

- Holderness Gazette
- Bridlington Free press
- Fishing News

The project intends to submit its non-material change application at the beginning of October 2019, and therefore we would be grateful if you can confirm approval of the consultee lists provided in Appendix 1 and 2 and that the publication proposals as outlined above are acceptable, by 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

If you have any queries or further information requirements, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,



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