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To:

Dogger Bank Offshore Wind Farm Project 3 Projco Limited Our Ref:

Date: 31 March 2020

Your Ref:

cc:

Marine Management Organisation, Natural England

Dear Sir or Madam,

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

Application by Dogger Bank Offshore Wind Farm Project 3 Projco Limited for a variation to an Order granting Development Consent for the Dogger Bank Teesside A Offshore Wind Farm and associated offshore and onshore infrastructure ("the Teesside A Offshore Wind Farm")

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

I refer to the application to make Non-Material Changes to The Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 (as amended) ("the Application") submitted by Dogger Bank Offshore Wind Farm Project 3 Projco Limited ("the Applicant") on 15 November 2019, in respect of the Teesside A Offshore Wind Farm.

In order for the Secretary of State to complete his Habitats Regulations Assessment, **the Applicant** is requested to provide further information in relation to the Teesmouth and Cleveland Coast Special Protection Area ("TCC SPA"). Natural England has advised that the boundaries and features of the TCC SPA have recently changed. As a result of these changes the export cable and intertidal landfall that form part of the Teesside A Offshore Wind Farm now overlap with the TCC SPA. The Secretary of State, therefore, requests that the Applicant provides any relevant information on the likely effect of the Teesside A Offshore Wind Farm on the new nature conservation protections afforded by this site.

The deadline for responses to be submitted is **14 April 2020**.

In the current situation the responses should be submitted by email only to: DBTeessideAB@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

Responses will be published on the Teesside A Offshore Wind Farm project page of the Planning Inspectorate's National Infrastructure Planning Portal website as soon as possible after 14 April 2020.

This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's decision whether or not to grant changes sought to The Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 (as amended) and nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what that decision might be.

Yours faithfully

Gareth Leigh

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