

2020 No.

INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

**The Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm
(Amendment) Order 2020**

Made - - - - *11th August 2020*

Coming into force - - *12th August 2020*

An application has been made, under paragraph 2 of Schedule 6 to the Planning Act(a) (“the Act”) to the Secretary of State in accordance with the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011(b) (“the 2011 Regulations”) for a non-material change to the Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 (“the 2015 Order”)(c).

The Secretary of State, having considered the application and the responses to the publicity and consultation required by regulations 6 and 7 of the 2011 Regulations, and being satisfied that the change applied for is a non-material change, has decided to make this Order amending the 2015 Order.

Accordingly, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 2 of Schedule 6 to the Act makes the following Order—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm (Amendment) Order 2020 and comes into force on 12th August 2020.

Amendment to the Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015

2. The Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015 is amended in accordance with this Order.

Amendments to Part 1 (Authorised Development) of Schedule 1 (Authorised Project)

3.—(1) Part 1 (Authorised Development) of Schedule 1 (Authorised Project) is amended as follows.

(a) 2008 c. 29. Paragraph 2 was amended by paragraph 4 of Schedule 8 to the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (c. 23), by paragraphs 1 and 72 of Schedule 13 and Schedule 25(20) of the Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), and by section 28 of the Infrastructure Act 2015 (c. 7).
(b) S.I. 2011/2055. Amendments to this instrument were made by S.I. 2012/635, S.I. 2012/2654, S.I. 2012/2732, S.I. 2013/522, S.I. 2013/755, S.I. 2015/760, S.I. 2017/314, S.I. 2017/524, S.I. 2018/378, S.I. 2019/734 and S.I. 2020/764.
(c) S.I. 2015/1592 amended by S.I. 2019/669.

(2) In paragraph 1, in the description of Project A offshore works, in sub-paragraph (a) of the description of Work No 1A, for “up to 1.2 gigawatts” substitute “more than 100 megawatts”.

Amendment to Part 3 (Requirements) of Schedule 1 (Authorised project)

4.—(1) Part 3 (Requirements) of Schedule 1 (Authorised Project) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph 3(1)(b), for “215 metres”, substitute “280 metres”.

(3) In paragraph 41, before sub-paragraph (1), insert—

“(A1) No Project A offshore works, or activities associated with them, that may have a significant effect on the Southern North Sea Special Area of Conservation may commence until the review of consents has been completed and the Secretary of State has affirmed, modified or revoked the decision in respect of the Project A offshore works or activities associated with them under regulation 33(4) of the Conservation of Offshore Marine Habitats and Species Regulations 2017.”.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

11th August 2020

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Dogger Bank Teesside A and B Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015, a development consent order under the Planning Act 2008, following an application made in accordance with the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011 for a non-material amendment under paragraph 2 of Schedule 6 to the Planning Act 2008. This Order removes reference to a specific permitted electrical output capacity and increases the permitted diameter of the blade on individual wind turbine generators. It also includes a requirement that certain works cannot be commenced until the review of consents granted prior to the designation of the Southern North Sea as a Special Area of Conservation has been completed.