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To all interested parties, affected  
persons and other persons

Our Ref: EN010053

Date: 4 August 2015

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Dear Sir/Madam

**Planning Act (2008) as amended s 89.3, and the Infrastructure and Planning  
(Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended)-Rule 17 and Rule 8(3)**

**Application by Smart Wind Ltd for an Order Granting Development Consent  
for Hornsea Offshore Wind Farm (Zone 4) - Project Two**

**Request for further information**

As the lead member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors, I am writing to the applicant following the Accompanied Site Inspection on 29 July 2015 and the Issue Specific Hearing on the 30 July 2015, to seek further information on the items listed below. Should any other party wish to respond, we request that this is done through co-ordination with the applicant to ensure consistent information.

To assist in the preparation for hearings to be held in September and to ensure that full and clear information is before the Panel, the following information is requested.

1. A map of all the cable corridors, agreed or planned, at the sub-stations/National Grid connections site, for Hornsea Project 2 (A and B), Hornsea Project 1 and C.Gen. This is to include any applications under the Electricity Act 1989, Planning Act 2008 and Town and Country Planning 1990.
2. Again, in relation to the sub-stations/National Grid connections site, and its immediate environs, a plan (with text as appropriate) explaining all extant permissions, and applications, plus the planning permission notice and accompanying approved site layout and elevation plans (if available) of the adjoining proposed Able Logistics Park development.
3. Draft Protective Provisions between Hornsea Project 2 and C. Gen, and between Hornsea Project 2 and Hornsea Project 1.

4. Appropriate photomontage(s) of the cumulative impact of the worst case visual impact scenario(s) for the proposed Hornsea Project 2 and Hornsea Project 1 substation developments combined (i.e. 2 no. HVDC Converter Station for each project) during the operational phase; from the following locations:

- Thornton Abbey – Viewpoint 39
- Thornton Abbey - the gatehouse arch
- Thornton Abbey – gatehouse upper floors
- Manor Farm moated site
- Viewpoint 31, Kettlebridge Lane, East Halton
- Viewpoint 32, Footpath 77, East Halton
- Viewpoint 40, Marsh Lane East Halton

5. A plan of all the potential alternative cable connections into the National Grid substation proposed for Hornsea Project 2, Hornsea Project 1 and C. Gen.

6. A revised version of Appendix O, Multiple Construction Schedule, which shows the following alternative scenarios (i) one undertaker; (ii) two undertakers operating sequentially; and (iii) two undertakers operating in parallel.

7. A submission following from the discussion at the DCO hearing on the applicant's proposals for dealing with Crown Land and land no longer in the possession of the Crown in the Book of Reference and any consequent amendments and in particular the proposed treatment of plots 272, 377, 378, 388, 437 and 441, which Highways England has submitted have been transferred to it.

8. (a) As presently drafted, the DCO authorises the Compulsory Acquisition (CA) of land and rights over the land in part 2 of schedule G of the DCO and the creation of new rights in the rest of the land contained in schedule G. Can the applicant confirm that it is seeking the power to CA new rights in the land contained within schedule G as well as temporary possession powers and that the relevant land owners and persons with interests in this land have been consulted on that basis?

8. (b) Does the applicant intend to limit its CA powers over the land in schedule G part 2 in light of the fact that the DCO presently authorises the CA of that land and any rights in it?

9. An update of progress towards Statements of Common Ground (additional to any provided for Deadline 2).

10. Can the applicant explain the purpose and content of Works Plans, their legal status and use in custom and practice and comment on whether it is appropriate or legitimate to define Works (i.e. A and B) in the Draft DCO and not reflect the spatial extent of these Works on the submitted Works Plans?

The deadline for this information is **25 August 2015**. The examination timetable has been updated to reflect this additional deadline.

Yours faithfully

*John Glasson*

**Prof. John Glasson, Lead Member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors**

Advice may be given about applying for an order granting development consent or making representations about an application (or a proposed application). This communication does not however constitute legal advice upon which you can rely and you should obtain your own legal advice and professional advice as required.

A record of the advice which is provided will be recorded on the National Infrastructure Planning website together with the name of the person or organisation who asked for the advice. The privacy of any other personal information will be protected in accordance with our Information Charter which you should view before sending information to the Planning Inspectorate.

## Amended Examination Timetable

Item	Matters	Due Dates
1	Preliminary Meeting	<b>Tuesday 16 June 2015</b>
2	Issue by Examining Authority (ExA) of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination timetable</li> <li>• ExA's first written questions</li> </ul>	As soon as practicable following the Preliminary Meeting
3	<b>Deadline 1</b> Deadline for receipt of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments on Relevant Representations (RRs)</li> <li>• Summaries of all RRs exceeding 1500 words</li> <li>• Written representations (WRs)</li> <li>• Summaries of all WRs exceeding 1500 words</li> <li>• Local Impact Report from any local authorities</li> <li>• Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) requested by ExA</li> <li>• Schedule of Mitigation Requirements</li> <li>• Responses to ExA's first written questions</li> <li>• Notification of wish to speak at a compulsory acquisition (CA) hearing</li> <li>• Notification of wish to make oral representations at the issue specific hearing on the draft Development Consent Order (DCO)</li> <li>• Notification of wish to speak at the open floor hearing (OFH)</li> <li>• Notification of wish to attend Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI)</li> <li>• Notification of suggested locations for the ASI to cover</li> <li>• Notification of any statutory party who wishes to</li> </ul>	<b>Wednesday 15 July 2015</b>

	participate in the examination.	
4	Date reserved for open floor hearing (OFH) if any requests are received by the 15 July 2015. If there are no requests, the hearing will be cancelled and interested parties will be notified through the banner on the project webpage.	<b>Tuesday 28 July 2015</b>
5	Accompanied Site Inspection	<b>Wednesday 29 July 2015</b>
6	First issue specific hearing (ISH) on draft DCO	<b>Thursday 30 July 2015</b>
7	<p><b>Deadline 2</b> Deadline for receipt by the ExA of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments on WRs and responses to comments on RRs</li> <li>• Comments on Local Impact Reports (LIRs)</li> <li>• Comments on responses to ExA's first written questions</li> <li>• Revised draft DCO from Applicant</li> <li>• Updated HRA matrices</li> <li>• All post hearing documents including written proofs of oral cases made at hearings</li> <li>• Documents post Accompanied Site Inspection</li> <li>• Any other information requested by the ExA</li> </ul>	<b>Monday 10 August 2015</b>
7a	<p><b>Deadline 2a</b> Deadline for responses to Rule 17 letter issued by the ExA on 4 August 2015.</p>	<b>Tuesday 25 August 2015</b>
8	<p>Issue Specific hearing (ISH) on topics including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nature of development and relationship with Hornsea Project 1</li> <li>• Construction impacts and socio-economic matters</li> <li>• Ornithology</li> <li>• Marine Matters</li> </ul>	<b>Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 September 2015</b>

9	Dates reserved for compulsory acquisition (CA) hearing (including, if required, s127 of PA 2008 issues)	<b>Thursday 17 and Friday 18 September 2015</b>
10	<b>Deadline 3</b> Deadline for receipt of:  All post-hearing documents including written proofs of oral cases made at hearings and any other information requested by the ExA.	<b>Thursday 24 September 2015</b>
11	Date for issue of ExA's second written questions (if there are still matters to explore after the hearings)	<b>Tuesday 29 September 2015</b>
12	<b>Deadline 4</b> Deadline for receipt of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responses to ExA's second written questions</li> <li>• Any other information requested by the ExA</li> </ul>	<b>Tuesday 20 October 2015</b>
13	Dates reserved for a second DCO issue specific, any other issue specific or compulsory acquisition hearing (including, if required, s127 of the Planning Act 2008 issues)	<b>Tuesday 27, Wednesday 28, Thursday 29 and Friday 30 October 2015</b>
14	<b>Deadline 5</b> Deadline for receipt of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments on responses to ExA's second written questions</li> <li>• Receipt and publication of applicant's final DCO</li> <li>• Documents post all hearings</li> <li>• Written proofs of oral cases made at hearings</li> <li>• Any other information requested by the ExA</li> <li>• Issue of Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES)</li> </ul>	<b>Thursday 12 November 2015</b>
15	<b>Deadline 6</b> Deadline for receipt of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments on the RIES</li> <li>• Any final versions of SoCGs</li> <li>• Any other information requested by the ExA</li> </ul>	<b>Thursday 26 November 2015</b>

	and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue of ExA's consultation DCO</li> </ul>	
16	<b>Deadline 7</b> Deadline for receipt of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments on ExA's consultation DCO</li> <li>• Any other information requested by the ExA</li> </ul>	<b>Thursday 10 December 2015</b>
17	The ExA is under a duty to complete the examination of the application by the end of the period of 6 months beginning with the day after the close of the Preliminary Meeting.	<b>Wednesday 16 December 2015</b>