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Dear Sir or Madam,

I just received email notice that the period to register as interested party for Hornsea Offshore Windfarm (Zone 4) Project Two has ended. However, I am afraid that our relevant representation may not have registered properly via the website as I have received no confirmation. I tried to register earlier this week.

I am pasting our text below this email. Please can you confirm that we are registered as an interested party for this project?

Sincerely,

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VisNed is an organisation representing the Fish Producer Organisations of Urk, Southwest and North in the Netherlands comprising a large part of the marine demersal fisheries. The mission of the organisation is to advocate the interest of the fisheries in all relevant matters.

The degree to which fisheries will be able to continue during the operational phase of the project is dependent upon the design of the project and its delivery. The nature of the EIA also does not cater well in terms of assessing the potential impacts of the projects and cumulative impacts at the scale of individual businesses, or vessel sub-groupings. We will be looking for the Environmental Statement to provide assurance that appropriate levels of mitigation will be applied to project design elements in order to maximise the scope for co-existence with existing fisheries. These concerns principally, though not exclusively, apply to turbine /infrastructure and inter-array cable layout and procedures for achieving inter-array and cable export burial and avoiding the possibility of seabed fishing hazards remaining.

Notwithstanding this, it is highly likely that certain gear types such as twin rigged otter trawl and (fly shoot) seine netting will be unable to operate within the confines of the wind farm and provisions for such groups presently seem inadequate in our view in terms of ensuring that they are not disadvantaged as a consequence of the projects.

We are entering into discussions with Forewind towards establishing a statement of common ground alongside other fishing representative bodies such as the NFFO, building on the SoCG drafted for Hornsea Project One. We would look for the following issues to be addressed, among others:

- Approaches with respect to addressing any loss of earnings and the cost associated with any long-term loss of access to grounds and temporary relocation of static fishing gear.
- Allowing for consultation on any cable installation plans and contingency arrangements to be applied in order to minimise the potential for any gear snagging risks to exist or emerge post installation.
- Provisions to ensure that any temporary exposed cable assets located outside of safety zones are protected in situ through the use of guard vessels until installation has been completed.
- Post-installation trawl surveys in order to verify that fisheries can resume safely.
- An ongoing funding mechanism as a means to address long term residual effects on the fishing fleet including to facilitate associated fisheries related research .

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