



The Planning Inspectorate
National Infrastructure Directorate
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Dear Sir/Madam,

**PROPOSED HORNSEA PROJECT TWO OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER
SUMMARY OF RESPONSE TO SECTION 56 PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED)**

In its Rule 8 letter, the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) requested that interested parties submit a summary of Relevant Representations exceeding 1500 words. Please find the Marine Management Organisation's (MMO's) summary below.

The MMO is an interested party in the examination of Hornsea Project Two offshore wind farm because the Development Consent Order (DCO) application includes four deemed Marine Licences (DMLs) under Section 65 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 ('the 2009 act'). Should consent be granted for the project, the MMO will be responsible for monitoring, compliance and enforcement of DML conditions.

1. DCO

The MMO has identified a number of issues regarding the specific wording of the DCO and has made recommendations where appropriate. In particular, the MMO recommends the DCO and DMLs should include provisions relating to co-operation and co-ordination with Hornsea Project 1, an adjacent offshore windfarm development consented on 10 December 2014. This is to ensure that the regulator and the multiple undertakers involved in the two projects collectively have a mechanism to resolve issues and concerns around overlapping marine works. The MMO is working with the applicant to resolve these issues through the Statement of Common Ground (SoCG).

2. Deemed Marine Licence

A number of issues have been identified regarding the specific wording in the DMLs, in particular with the wording of the conditions relating to navigation. The MMO is working with the applicant to resolve these issues through the SoCG.

3. Environmental Statement (ES)

The MMO raised concerns relating to several chapters in the ES:

- Fish and Shellfish;
- Marine Ecology;
- Marine Processes; and
- Cumulative Impacts.

In general, further clarification of the statements made in the ES and/or further evidence to support the predictions made in the ES is required. These issues are being dealt with through the SoCG with the applicant.

4. Offshore Works Plan

The MMO recommended that the plans for relevant works areas illustrate the Mean Low Water Mark (MLWM) and Mean High Water Springs (MHWS), and show how the zone will be apportioned between Breesea and Optimus Wind. The MMO is working with the applicant to resolve this through the SoCG.

Yours sincerely,



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