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Dear Prof. Glasson,

**HORNSEA OFFSHORE WIND FARM (ZONE 4)  
PROJECT TWO APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER  
BY SMART WIND LIMITED – EN010053  
RESPONSE TO WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS, RELEVANT REPRESENTATIONS AND  
WRITTEN PROOFS OF ORAL CASES**

I refer to the above Application and representations made to date by Associated British Ports (ABP) in its capacity as Harbour Authority, and Conservancy Authority, for the Humber.

In response to the Applicants response to the Relevant Representations (RR) for Deadline 1. Question G4

Part 5 – On behalf of ABP, I can confirm that discussions are still ongoing with the Applicant in relation to the draft DCO and the protective provisions, and these have yet to be finalised.

Question FNA19

Part (a) – Prior to the commencement of this application there were a number of discussions between the Harbour Authority and the Applicant to come to an agreement as to the corridor path that the export cable should take, and this is in line with Project 1, which has already been agreed.

Part (b) – As the Harbour Authority were heavily involved in the initial discussions about the positioning of the export cable, we feel that the route has been managed proactively as satisfactorily as possible in order to minimize the impact on navigation safety during the construction phase, and to allow us to discharge our duty as the Statutory Harbour Authority.

Part (c) – In response to the Applicants statement

*“The cables for the project will lie parallel to those of Project One and construction periods **may be concurrent.**”*

We raised our concerns at the First ISH, and in written support of that, we would like to reiterate our worries about different work streams, their timings and the subsequent impacts on managing the traffic in our jurisdiction, safely and effectively. Whilst we anticipate a certain level of disruption is likely to occur during the construction phase of the export cable for Project 1, it was never indicated that there would be a number of periods of disruption through the Harbour Area for each additional project, when discussions took place around the sympathetic routing of the export cable ashore.



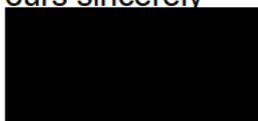
Part (d) – It would be beneficial to ABP to be made aware of the agreements between Project 1 and Project 2, if they are to have an impact on the construction of the export cable corridor, and the potential impacts on the Harbour Area.

Question DC12

Part 1 - On behalf of ABP, I can confirm that discussions are still ongoing with the Applicant in relation to the draft DCO, disapplication of Article 37 and subsequent protective provisions, and these have yet to be finalised. That said, ABP wishes to reserve its position of disapplication of the Humber Conservancy Acts until such time that the applicant has demonstrated clear commitment to agreement on terms for the under lease of the riverbed relevant to the project.

The points raised above are in response to the Applicants WR, and are in support of statements made by ABP representatives at the ISH on 30 July 2015.

Yours sincerely



Capt. A Firman

**HARBOUR MASTER, HUMBER**

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