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Hornsea 2 Project
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Dear Sirs

Hornsea 2 OSS NMA Feb 2018: Hornsea Offshore Wind Farm (Zone 4) - Project Two: Application for non-material change

Natural England has reviewed the documentation in support of the application for a non-material change in relation to the maximum number of offshore HVAC collector substations and the permitted maximum width and area of the offshore HVAC collector substation platforms within the offshore array area.

The applicant is reducing the number of substations from six to three while increasing their maximum width and total area, from 60x60m to 90x70m and from 3,600m² to 6,300m² in total area respectively.

Given that the supporting structures will remain unchanged and only the topsides will need to increase in size and considering there will be a reduction on the number of platforms put in place, Natural England agree that provided the proposed offshore HVAC collector substations remain within the array area, the potential impact of the proposed changes are of no greater significance than those originally identified, and therefore Natural England have no further nature conservation concerns.

Yours sincerely,



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