

East Anglia THREE

# Appendix 30

Phase III Section 42 Letter to Statutory  
consultees

**Consultation Report**

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### 30 PHASE III LETTER TO STATUTORY CONSULTEES

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1. This appendix contains an example of the letter that was sent to statutory consultees informing them of the Phase III consultation that EATL conducted under Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008. This example is the letter that was sent to the Planning Inspectorate on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June 2015 and therefore also fulfils requirements under Section 46 of the Act.

The letter contains the following sections:

- Information on the Proposed Project;
- Previous consultation on the proposed project; and
- Phase III consultation.

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12<sup>th</sup> June 2015

**East Anglia THREE Limited**

**Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008, Further Consultation on the East Anglia THREE Offshore Windfarm Project**

**Consultation Period: 19<sup>th</sup> June 2015 to 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2015**

Dear Mr Taylor,

East Anglia THREE Limited (**EATL**), a joint venture between ScottishPower Renewables and Vattenfall Wind Power Limited, and subsidiary of East Anglia Offshore Wind Limited, intends to develop and construct a new offshore windfarm within an area of the North Sea off the coast of East Anglia, known as the East Anglia Zone. This windfarm is identified as the proposed East Anglia THREE project.

The East Anglia Zone is being developed as a number of individual windfarms, each of which will require the appropriate statutory consents and approvals. East Anglia ONE Offshore Windfarm was the first to be proposed within the East Anglia Zone and consent was granted by the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2014.

*The proposed Project*

The East Anglia THREE Offshore Windfarm (the **proposed Project**) forms part of the next stage of development in the East Anglia Zone. The proposed Project would be located around 69 km from the coast at Lowestoft, covering an area of approximately 305 km<sup>2</sup>.

The proposed Project would have an installed capacity of up to 1,200 megawatts (MW) and therefore falls within the definition of a "Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project" (**NSIP**). As a result, EATL is required to submit an application for a development consent order (**DCO**) to the Planning Inspectorate (**PINS**), who will examine the application on behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change.

### *Previous consultation on the proposed Project*

Consultees were previously contacted by us in connection with this application during an earlier round of consultation under Section 42 (s42) of the Planning Act 2008 (the Act) which commenced in May 2014. The document published to support that consultation was called the 'Preliminary Environmental Information Report' (PEIR). The PEIR summarised the potential environmental impact of the proposed Project on each identified environmental factor. Subsequently, a number of consultees were contacted again in July 2014 to consult on specific amendments to proposed onshore cable route access points. Documents used to support these consultation exercises can be found on the East Anglia THREE website:

<http://eastangliathree.eastangliawind.com/>

### *Phase III consultation*

Since the s42 consultation concluded in September 2014 a number of changes have been made to project proposals as a result of continuing project development. These are summarised and discussed with regards to potential environmental impacts in the enclosed 'East Anglia THREE Phase III Report'.

The key points covered within the Report are as follows:

- Presentation of two construction scenarios, one of which is new (two phased approach):
  - Single phase approach (up to 1,200 MW installed in a single construction period); and
  - Two phased approach (two phases each of up to 600 MW with a construction start date separated by no more than 18 months);
- An assessment of key impacts which may differ between the single and phased approach;
- Removal of the scenario of open trenching to install the East Anglia THREE onshore export cables, due to the commitment to install ducts on behalf of the Project during East Anglia ONE construction;
- Construction of jointing bays;
- Updated proposed onshore cable route accesses from the previous Phase of Consultation (Phase II)
- A refinement to the offshore cable route; and
- Additional Project amendments and alterations made since the production of the PEIR document

These changes have the potential to influence the conclusions of the Environmental Impact Assessment (**EIA**) as conducted and presented in the PEIR and will influence the assessments and conclusions of the Environmental Statement (**ES**) to be submitted with the DCO application in November 2015.

As a result we wish to provide you with the opportunity to comment on the proposed changes. The enclosed Phase III Report constitutes the latest information for the purposes of a further phase of consultation (Phase III) on the proposed East Anglia THREE Project. The Report outlines the changes to Project proposals and the potential environmental impacts of those changes.

As part of this consultation two Public Information Days (PIDs) will be held. Details are provided in the table below. Please come along and meet the Project team and find out more about the Project or ask any questions you may have.

Date	Venue	Address	Time
22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2015	Bramford Church Rooms	Bramford Church Rooms, Ship Lane, Bramford, IP8 4AL	12:00 to 19:00
23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2015	Woodbridge Library	New Street, Woodbridge, IP12 1DT	12:00 to 19:00

Previous consultation documents will also be available for reference only at the following libraries between 19<sup>th</sup> June 2015 and 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2015:

	Ipswich County Library	Lowestoft Library	Woodbridge Library	Hadleigh Library*	Felixstowe Library
Mon	9am – 6pm	9am – 6pm	10am – 4pm	Closed	10am – 4pm
Tues	9am – 7pm	9am – 7pm	9.30am – 7.30pm	9.30am – 5pm	9am – 5.30pm
Wed	9am – 6pm	9am – 6pm	9am – 5.30pm	9.30am – 5pm	9am – 7.30pm
Thurs	9am – 6pm	9am – 7pm	9am – 5.30pm	9.30am – 5pm	9am – 5.30pm
Fri	9am – 7pm	9am – 6pm	9am – 7.30pm	9.30am – 7.30pm	9am – 7.30pm
Sat	8.30am – 5pm	9am – 5pm	9am – 5pm	9.30am – 5pm	9am – 5pm
Sun	10am – 4pm	10am – 4pm	10am – 4pm	10am – 4pm	10am – 4pm

\* Please note that Hadleigh does not have the facilities to provide the PEIR for consultees

We would appreciate your feedback on these proposed changes as detailed in the enclosed Report. Any feedback you provide will be considered prior to finalising the ES and DCO application and will be reported directly to PINS when the application is submitted, alongside any representations you have made previously.

This is a formal part of the consultation process and the period for consideration and response to these documents will run from 19<sup>th</sup> June 2015 to 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2015 (35 day consultation period). Therefore please ensure that all comments are submitted to EATL by the 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2015.

Accordingly, please reply with any comments to Keith Morrison at the following address: FREEPOST RSTC-EJEY-RKRX, EAOW, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1 Atlantic Quay, 45 Robertson Street, Glasgow, G2 8JB by or email them to [eastangliathree@eastangliawind.com](mailto:eastangliathree@eastangliawind.com).

If you wish to discuss this consultation, require further copies of the documentation or have any other issues in connection with the proposed Project, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



Keith Morrison

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