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Your Reference:

Dear Mr Campbell

**RE: EAST ANGLIA THREE OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER 2017 – PROPOSED NON-MATERIAL CHANGE APPLICATION**

Thank you for your e-mail of 28 February 2019 and attachments, and email of 15 March 2019 and attachments, which set out proposals for changes to the consented East Anglia THREE Offshore Wind Farm Order 2017 (“East Anglia THREE Order”). The letter also requests the Secretary of State’s written consent under regulation 7(3) of the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011 (as amended) (“the 2011 Regulations”) to not consult those persons listed in the document titled ‘Copy of \_DOC\_154391052(3)\_Appendix 2\_ EA3 Non-Material Change Application - Regu..’ (“Appendix A stakeholder list”) about the proposals, as it is considered by East Anglia THREE Limited that they will not be directly affected by the proposed changes.

The Secretary of State has considered the request under regulation 7(3). He is not satisfied that there are sufficient reasons to exclude the following organisations:

- Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
- the Wildlife Trusts
- Civil Aviation Authority
- Maritime and Coastguard Agency
- Trinity House
- National Federation of Fishermen’s Organisations
- VisNed (Dutch Fisheries)
- Historic England
- The Crown Estate
- Ministry of Defence

The Secretary of State therefore agrees that the Applicant need not consult those listed in the Appendix A stakeholder list, with the exception of those listed above. The Secretary of State agrees that those that need not be consulted are not directly affected, either because the changes proposed will not affect their interests or because their interests relate to a different part of the scheme. Accordingly, the Secretary of State gives written consent, to the extent set out above, under regulation 7(3) of the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011.

In taking this decision the Secretary of State notes that while those persons in the Appendix A stakeholder list, with the exception set out above, will not be consulted directly in relation to the proposed changes, there will be public consultation on them in line with the requirements in regulation 20 of the 2011 Regulations.

Finally, the Secretary of State's written consent in this matter should not be taken as indicating approval for any other aspects of the proposed changes to the East Anglia THREE Order which fall to him for consideration and determination, or whether the proposed changes will ultimately be regarded as material or not.

Yours sincerely,

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