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Dear Christie

East Anglia 3 – Non-Material Change Consultation

Thank you for your consultation dated 28 March 2019. The following constitutes Natural England's formal statutory response.

Overall Conclusions

SPR are requesting a Non-Material Change (NMC) to the East Anglia 3 Offshore Windfarm Order 2017. The NMC is seeking:

- 1) To allow the maximum generation capacity of the development authorised by the 2017 order to increase from 1200 MW to 1400 MW.
- 2) To seek an amendment to requirement 8(3) of the 2017 order to allow more flexibility in the delivery of the phases, however the approach of up to two phases will not change.
- 3) Request confirmation from the Secretary of State that there is no upper limit for individual wind turbine generator capacity for this project.

Following Natural England's review of the documents provided, we consider that the changes outlined above are non-material in nature. Furthermore, the proposed changes outlined within the documentation do not exceed the parameters that were previously assessed in the environmental statement (ES) and the associated Habitats Regulation Assessment. Thus, the worst case scenarios that were assessed within the original ES have not been exceeded and therefore there will no greater impacts caused by the NMC parameters.

For any queries relating to the content of this letter please contact me using the details provided below.

Yours sincerely,

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