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Dear Sir/Madam

**Application by East Anglia ONE North Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the East Anglia ONE North (EA1N) Offshore Windfarm project; and
Application by East Anglia TWO Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the East Anglia TWO (EA2) Offshore Windfarm project**

Outline Operational Drainage Management Plan

We have reviewed the Outline Operational Drainage Management Plans (OODMP) submitted at Deadline 8, for both EA1N and EA2 (both Doc. Ref. ExA.AS-3.D8.V4, both dated 25 March 2021).

We note the addition of Plate 3 and Appendix 2 in each document, which provide some detail for a box culvert and pipe connection to Friston Watercourse, if required. We also note the inclusion of paragraph 139, which states that maintenance of the operational drainage scheme will be secured through the final Operational Drainage Management Plan.

As discussed within the OODMP documents, it will be essential to ensure that flood risk is not increased as a result of any positive discharge to Friston Watercourse. The Lead Local Flood Authority must be satisfied with the proposed rate of discharge.

Friston Watercourse currently receives a significant amount of silt, contained within the surface water run-off entering the channel from the Church Road and Grove Road areas. Therefore we would just highlight at this stage that the final SuDS scheme should be designed to ensure that the sediment load entering Friston Watercourse is not increased as a result of the proposed development, and is decreased where possible. The final design of any positive outfall should seek to

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minimize the risk of blockage as a result of sediment build up in the channel. In preparing the final Operational Drainage Management Plan, the need for any on-going maintenance to ensure that the outfall remains operational and able to discharge throughout the lifetime of the development should be considered. We would need to review and approve any maintenance activities within the channel.

Consideration of these issues will form part of our assessment of the final Operational Drainage Management Plan, under Requirement 41.

Yours faithfully

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