Meeting note

Project name East Anglia ONE North and East Anglia TWO

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Status Final

Author The Planning Inspectorate

Date 4 September 2019 **Meeting with** Scottish Power

Venue Temple Quay House **Meeting** Project update meeting

objectives

Circulation All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given

The Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) advised that a note of the meeting would be taken and published on its website in accordance with section 51 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008). Any advice given under section 51 would not constitute legal advice upon which applicants (or others) could rely. It was explained that names of attendees (personal data) would not be published, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

Project Update

The Applicant stated it was finalising documents and was on track for submission for the 25 October 2019.

The Applicant queried whether both onshore and offshore plans could be numbered separately i.e. with both starting from one. The Inspectorate said this was a satisfactory approach, providing that all documents certified within the Development Consent Order (DCO) adhere to this numbering system.

The Inspectorate referred to previous discussions on the consideration of the possibility of appointing the same persons to the two Examining Authorities (ExA), and advised that should this happen, because the projects are two separate DCO applications, and would be two separate examinations the Applicant would be invoiced to pay two separate fees for each application. The Applicant acknowledged this and that it was expecting to pay two sets of fees.

The Applicant outlined that it would prefer a final decision by the Secretary of State to be made by March 2021, due to the timing of Contracts for Difference (CfD) auctions. The Inspectorate acknowledged the timeframe preference and stated that it will deal with all pre-examination matters as quickly as possible as it did for all projects and will seek to deliver it within the suggested timeframe of the relevant Guidance.

The Applicant said it will inform the Inspectorate of the dates it intends to start and finish the relevant representation period should an application be accepted. The Inspectorate reiterated that stakeholders will have to submit relevant representations for each project separately in order to become Interested Parties. It said this would be the

requirement for all documents throughout the examinations and that it will be vital that all communications from the Applicant and the Inspectorate clearly state that all Interested Parties need to follow this approach as these are two separate applications.