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Dear Ms Bolton

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) – Section 55

Application by ScottishPower Renewables for an Order Granting Development Consent for the East Anglia TWO Offshore Wind Farm

Notification of decision to accept an application for Examination for an Order Granting Development Consent

I refer to the above application for an Order granting development consent made under section 37(2) of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) (PA2008), and received by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State on 25 October 2019.

The Secretary of State has decided to accept this application for Examination. In reaching this decision, the Secretary of State has:

- in respect of section 55(3)(e) had regard to the matters set out in section 55(4), and concluded that the applicant has complied with Chapter 2 of Part 5 of PA2008; and
- in respect of section 55(3)(f), had regard to the extent to which those matters set out in section 55(5A) have either been complied with or followed, and concluded that the application (including accompaniments) is of a satisfactory standard.

Correspondence from persons seeking to engage with the acceptance process including from Trowers & Hamlins LLP on behalf of SEAC, addressed to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, has been taken into account when making the Acceptance decision. This correspondence can be viewed on the project specific website:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/east-anglia-two-offshore-windfarm/>

Please be aware of your duties under:

- sections 56, 58 and 59 of PA2008;
- Regulations 8, 9 and 10 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended); and
- Regulation 13 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 or, for projects scoped after 16 May 2017, the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017.

Yours sincerely

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For and on behalf of the Secretary of State for the Ministry of Housing,
Communities and Local Government

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