

East Anglia TWO Case Team  
The Planning Inspectorate  
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**Dear Sirs,**

**East Anglia TWO Limited - The Proposed East Anglia TWO Offshore Windfarm Order,  
Application Ref. EN010078**

East Anglia TWO Limited (the **Applicant**) has had regard to the letter published by the Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy) dated 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020 and wishes to request the following amendments to the draft Examination Timetable set out in Annex D of that letter:

**1. Deadline for submissions amended to 23:59**

The Applicant requests that the deadline for all submissions is amended from 12:00 noon on the date specified to 23:59. By amending the submission time, this will provide an additional 12 hours to finalise submissions which the Applicant considers to be necessary to enable the Applicant (and other Interested Parties) to meet the deadlines specified within the draft Examination Timetable, particularly given that the same deadlines apply to both East Anglia TWO and East Anglia ONE North. Amending the time of the deadlines to 23:59 would also be consistent with the approach taken to the examination of other offshore wind projects.

**2. Issue Specific Hearing 4 be held in parallel if the proposed topics to be covered are the same**

The Applicant requests that singular processes are only used in the event that different offshore topics are to be discussed for East Anglia TWO and East Anglia ONE North. If the topics are the same, the Applicant requests that parallel processes are used where possible, and if it is considered necessary for singular processes to be used, that the ISHs are conducted consecutively rather than concurrently. This is because the Applicant's technical experts will be speaking on behalf of both East Anglia TWO and East Anglia ONE North so cannot speak on

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behalf of each project at the same time. We expect this may also be the case for Interested Parties' technical experts.

### **3. Requirement for post hearing submissions moved from Deadline 3 to Deadline 4**

The Applicant requests that the requirement to submit "Post hearing submissions including written submissions of oral case" is delayed until Deadline 4 (Tuesday 26 May 2020) to allow sufficient time for both the Applicant and Interested Parties to prepare their post hearing submissions fully. The hearings to which these written submissions relate are scheduled for Wednesday 13 May and Thursday 14 May and the current deadline for the written submissions is noon on Tuesday 19 May. Therefore as currently drafted, the timetable only allows for a period of two and a half working days to prepare and finalise the post hearing submissions for both projects.

### **4. Clarification on the date specified at Item 16**

Item 16 of the draft Examination Timetable refers to the publication by the Examining Authority of further written questions on Tuesday 15 June 2020. The Applicant notes that 15 June 2020 is a Monday and kindly requests that the Examining Authority clarify if this should read Monday 15 or Tuesday 16 June 2020.

### **5. Requirement for post hearing submissions moved from Deadline 6 to Deadline 7 and Deadlines potentially combined**

The Applicant's initial request is that the deadline for "Post hearing submissions including written submissions of oral case" is delayed until Deadline 7 (Tuesday 28 July 2020) for the same reasons as outlined above at point 3. In this case, the hearings to which the written submissions relate are scheduled for Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 July and the current deadline for the written submissions is noon on Tuesday 21 July, again allowing only two and a half working days between the end of the hearings and the submission deadline.

If this change is accepted, the Applicant would query whether it may make sense to combine Deadline 6 (Tuesday 21 July 2020) and Deadline 7 (Tuesday 28 July 2020) into one Deadline for submission on Tuesday 28 July 2020.

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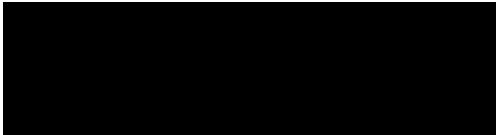
**6. Potential inclusion of an additional issue specific hearing on Habitats Regulation Assessment matters**

The Applicant suggests that the Examining Authority may wish to consider scheduling a date in late August 2020 or early September 2020 for an ISH on Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA) matters to allow for the Applicant and Interested Parties to organise availability for attendance if it is considered that an additional ISH is required following the publication of the Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES) by the Examining Authority on Tuesday 11 August 2020.

The Applicant would be happy to discuss any of these matters at the Preliminary Meeting on Tuesday 24 March 2020.

In reviewing and commenting on the draft Examination Timetable, the Applicant has assumed that documents submitted at each deadline will be uploaded within 24 or 48 hours of the deadline however if it is anticipated that documents will not be uploaded within these timescales, the Applicant would welcome a further discussion on the draft Examination Timetable at the Preliminary Meeting.

Yours Faithfully



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