



East Anglia Two Case Team
Planning Inspectorate
(Email only)

MMO Reference: DCO/2016/00005
Planning Inspectorate Reference:
EN010078
Identification Number: 20024119

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Planning Act 2008, Scottish Power Renewables Limited, Proposed East Anglia Two Offshore Wind Farm

Response to Examining Authority's Rule 6 Letter

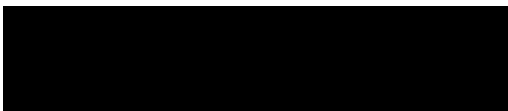
On 16 December 2019, the Marine Management Organisation (the "MMO") received notice under section 55 of the Planning Act 2008 (the "PA 2008") that the Planning Inspectorate ("PINS") had accepted an application made by Scottish Power Renewables Limited (the "Applicant") for determination of a development consent order for the construction, maintenance and operation of the proposed East Anglia Two Offshore Wind Farm (the "DCO Application") (MMO ref: DCO/2016/00005; PINS ref: EN010078).

The Applicant seeks authorisation for the construction, operation and maintenance of DCO Application, comprising of up to 75 wind turbine generators together with associated onshore and offshore infrastructure and all associated development ("the "Project").

The MMO received a Rule 6 letter on 21 February 2020. Please find the MMO comments below;

- 1. Preliminary Meeting Attendance**
- 2. Comments on Examination Timetable**

Yours faithfully



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1 Preliminary Meeting Attendance

- 1.1** The MMO will be attending the Preliminary Meeting on 24 March 2020. We do not intend to speak at this hearing. The MMO has reviewed the draft timetable for the examination of the application and would like to highlight the following concerns for consideration by the Examining Authority (ExA).

2 Comments on Examination Timetable

- 2.1** The MMO will be attending the following hearings:
- Issue Specific Hearing 2 (ISH2) Wednesday 25 March 2020 3:30pm
 - ISH4 Thursday 14 May 2020 10am
 - ISH5 Thursday 14 May 2020 2pm
 - ISH6 Tuesday 14 July 2020 10am
 - ISH7 Thursday 16 July 2020 10am

We may wish to speak at the above hearings.

Should the MMO decide to attend any other hearings, we will inform the Planning Inspectorate team as soon as possible.

2.2 ISH7 hearing date

The MMO requests that ISH7 hearing date, due to be held on Thursday 16 July 2020, is brought forward. This is so that we will have sufficient time to prepare for issuing our response to Deadline 6, which is Tuesday 21 July 2020.

2.3 Parallel and Singular process hearings

I note it is intended that the applications will have a parallel process for common issues between both applications, and potentially a singular process for issues particular to one or the other application.

The MMO has appointed separate Case Officers for the EA One North and EA Two applications. However, at this stage the MMO intends to have one Case Manager overseeing both applications.

I will therefore be very grateful if the timetable can be structured so that we can attend both parallel and singular process hearings, if required. I note that the composition of the Examination Authority for both applications is the same, therefore I do not expect there to be a temporal overlap between application hearings.

However, I will be grateful if this can be confirmed, and that hearings are structured so that there is sufficient time to prepare for each application hearing and written deadlines, should they differ for each application.

2.4 Hearing location

I will be very grateful if you can consider moving the hearing location (currently at Snape, Saxmundham, Suffolk) to another location where there is more overnight accommodation. I understand that accommodation in the area around Snape is limited. Therefore we may have difficulty in securing overnight accommodation.