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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 Watercourse Crossing Management Plan**

We have reviewed and wish to make comment on the Outline Watercourse Crossing Management Plans submitted at Deadline 6 for both EA1N and EA2 (both Doc. Ref. ExA.AS-5.D6.V2, both Dated 24 Feb 2021).

We are satisfied with, or have no comment to make, on all but one of the proposed changes. An additional paragraph (paragraph 103) has been added, which states:

"The Environment Agency will be consulted specifically regarding any information contained within the final Watercourse Crossing Method Statement relating to ground water abstraction and compensation discharge."

While we welcome the specific reference to groundwater abstraction and the compensation discharge, the paragraph should make clear that we are to be consulted on those points as part of, or in addition to, the broader consultation on the preparation of the final Watercourse Crossing Method Statement as outlined in paragraph 101. We are not being consulted *only* on those matters highlighted in paragraph 103. We suggest that paragraph 103 is amended to read:

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"The Environment Agency will, *in addition, also* be consulted specifically regarding any information contained within the final Watercourse Crossing Method Statement relating to ground water abstraction and compensation discharge."

Yours faithfully

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