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Dear Sir or Madam,

EAST ANGLIA ONE NORTH OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER 2022 EAST ANGLIA TWO OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER 2022

SUBMISSION OF LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL IMPLEMENTATION PLANS UNDER PARAGRAPH 3 OF PART 2 OF SCHEDULE 18 TO THE ORDERS

- On 10 July 2023, ScottishPower Renewables ("the Applicant") submitted Lesser black-backed gull Implementation & Monitoring Plans ("the LBBIMP") to the Secretary of State for Energy Security & Net Zero ("the Secretary of State") under Paragraph 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 18 to the East Anglia ONE North Offshore Wind Farm Order 2022 and the East Anglia TWO Offshore Wind Farm Order 2022.
- 2. The LBBIMP have been published on the East Anglia ONE North and East Anglia TWO Offshore Wind Farm project pages on the National Infrastructure Planning website:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/east-anglia-one-north-offshore-windfarm/

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/eastanglia-two-offshore-windfarm/

- The Secretary of State now invites comments from the MMO, NE, East Suffolk Council, the RSPB, Norfolk Boreas Limited and Norfolk Vanguard Limited, on the LBBIMP, in accordance with Paragraph 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 18 to the Orders.
- 4. Comments should be submitted by email only to:

<u>EastAngliaOneNorth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk</u> and EastAngliaTwo@planninginspectorate.gov.uk by 23.59 on 6 November 2023.

- 5. Responses will be published on the East Anglia ONE North and East Anglia TWO Offshore Wind Farm project pages of the National Infrastructure Planning website as soon as possible after 6 November 2023.
- 6. This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's consideration of whether to approve the LBBIMP. Nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what the eventual decision might be or what final conclusions the Secretary of State may reach on any particular issue.
- 7. Paragraph 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 18 to the Orders states that LBBIMP measures and ornithological by-catch measures are required. This consultation relates to the LBBIMP measures set out in Paragraphs 3(a), 3(b), 3(c), 3(d) and 3(e) only.
- 8. The Secretary of State notes that details regarding the ornithological by-catch measures will be submitted by the Applicant at a later date, in accordance with Paragraph 3(f) of Part 2 of Schedule 18 to the Orders, and once these details are received the Secretary of State will invite comments regarding the ornithological by-catch measures.
- 9. The Secretary of State will issue her decision on the totally of matters (the LBBIMP and ornithological by-catch measures) set out under Paragraph 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 18 to the Orders at the same time.

Yours Faithfully,

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