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Good Afternoon,

Please see attached for CPRE Norfolk's written representation for this NSIP.

Regards,

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16th January 2019

CPRE NORFOLK WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE NORFOLK VANGUARD APPLICATION, REF. EN010079.

Dear Sir/Madam

Many of the concerns raised by CPRE Norfolk in its response to the PEIR documentation in December 2017 have been assuaged by Vattenfall's clear and firm commitment to adopt a HVDC transmission system for its onshore cabling, as explained in the Cable Statement (Doc. 7.1, June 2018.)

However, concerns remain as to what would happen if there are issues with the provision of a HVDC system for example due to problems with the supply chain for HVDC equipment, or HVDC technology. CPRE Norfolk seeks reassurances that if the current application is approved then it would not be possible for a change to a HVAC system without a new application for development consent being submitted to the Planning Inspectorate.

The applicant appears to be confident that a HVDC system can be implemented, which from CPRE Norfolk's viewpoint is encouraging, but some doubts remain. These were raised at the Examination hearing for the Hornsea 3 Project for Orsted, when that applicant cast great doubt on whether Vattenfall would be able to deliver a HVDC system for Norfolk Vanguard at this time. This is not the place to discuss the reasons why Orsted may be casting doubt on HVDC delivery, but CPRE Norfolk requests reassurances that Vattenfall's application for Norfolk Vanguard cannot be changed to a HVAC system if consent is given for this application, as this would materially change many aspects of the project. In particular, the harmful impacts on landscape, environment and ecology would be much greater due to the need for a wider cabling corridor and its associated construction works, and for a cable-relay station on a greenfield site.

In addition, the possibility of radioactive and other contamination resulting from the crash of the Royal Danish Air Force F-16 on 11th December 1996 has been raised relating to the area between Ivy Todd Road and Necton Wood. When CPRE Norfolk raised this with Vattenfall by email and at a drop-in consultation event, assurances were made that protocols for the scheme will be included for dealing with unexpected contamination with Local Planning Authorities before the relevant stage of the project commences. Given the potential harms to health in particular, we expect more to be done to establish the nature and extent of any risk from this crash site by the relevant authorities before permission is granted for works to commence.

Submitted on behalf of CPRE Norfolk by

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