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Dear Sir/Madam

NORFOLK VANGUARD

PLANNING ACT 2008 AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010

Thank you for your letter dated 6 December 2019 inviting the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) to provide additional information to the Secretary of State as part of its assessment of the Norfolk Vanguard Project. The MCA would like to respond to the questions as follows;

Part 4 Condition 9 (12) of Schedules 9 and 10 and Condition 4 (12) of Schedules 11 and 12 - Notification of Cable Exposure

The MCA has discussed this with the applicant and they have confirmed that they are content to amend the DCO at Condition 9(12) of the Generation DMLs (Schedule 9-12), and Condition 4(12) of the Transmission DMLs (Schedule 11-12) to accept the reduction from five days to three days to notify of cable exposure. The condition wording would therefore read as follows:

(11) In case of damage to, or destruction or decay of the authorised scheme seaward of MHWS or any part thereof, the undertaker must as soon as reasonably practicable and no later than 24 hours following the undertaker becoming aware of any such damage, destruction or decay, notify MMO, MCA, Trinity House, the Kingfisher Information Service of Seafish, and the UK Hydrographic Office.

*(12) In case of exposure of cables on or above the seabed, the undertaker must within **three** days following **identification of a potential cable exposure**, notify mariners by issuing a notice to mariners and by informing Kingfisher Information Service of the location and extent of exposure. Copies of all notices must be provided to the MMO and MCA within **three** days.*

The MCA is content that the applicant has addressed our concerns and we therefore have no further comments or concerns to raise on this aspect.



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Condition 14 (1) and 9 (1) of schedules 9 and 10 and Condition 9 (1) of schedules 11 and 12
- **Lighting and Marking Plan (LMP) and Operations and Maintenance Programme (OMP)**

1) Lighting and Marking Plan (LMP)

The MCA has discussed this with the applicant and we are content that the Lighting and Marking arrangements are adequately addressed by Condition 10 and 11 of the Generation DMLs (Schedule 9-10), and Condition 5 and 6 of the Transmission DMLs (Schedule 11-12).

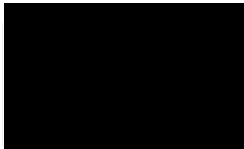
This arrangement has been agreed by the MCA within the Statement of Common Ground.

2) Operations and Maintenance Plans (OMP)

The MCA has discussed this with the applicant and we are content that the aspects we require as part of the OMP are covered by Condition 14(1)(j) of the Generation DMLs (Schedule 9-10), and Condition 9(1)(j) of the Transmission DMLs (Schedule 11-12), which requires on Offshore Operations and Maintenance Plan to be submitted to the MMO at least four months prior to commencement of operation and to be updated and resubmitted every three years during operation.

The MCA is therefore content with this arrangement and no further amendments to the DCO is necessary in relation to a condition for a separate OMP.

Yours faithfully,



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