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Your Ref: HOW03\_S46\_Notification

Our Ref: EN010080

Date: 20 November 2017

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Dear Ms Banham

**Planning Act 2008 (as amended) – Section 46 and The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 (as amended) – Regulation 6**

**Proposed application by Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Ltd for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Hornsea Project Three Offshore Wind Farm**

**Acknowledgement of receipt of information concerning proposed application**

Thank you for your letter of 15 November 2017 and the following documentation:

- Hornsea Project Three statutory consultation overview documentation,
- Copy of the s42 covering letter, statutory consultation plans, and s48 notice.

I acknowledge that you have notified the Planning Inspectorate of the proposed application for an order granting development consent for the purposes of section 46 of the PA2008 and supplied the information for consultation under section 42. However, for the avoidance of doubt please can you confirm that the date for commencement of the consultation is 16 November 2017?

As per previous communications, the reference number for this proposed application is **EN010080**.

I also acknowledge notification in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 (as amended) that you propose to provide an environmental statement in respect of the proposed development .

The role of the Planning Inspectorate in the application process is to provide independent and impartial advice about the procedures involved and to have open discussions with potential applicants, statutory bodies and others about the processes

and requirements of the new regime. It is important that you keep us accurately informed of your timetable and any changes that occur.

We will publish advice we give to you or other interested parties on our website and, if relevant, direct parties to you as the applicant. We are happy to meet at key milestones and/or provide advice as the case progresses through the pre-application stage.

Once you have prepared draft documents we are able to provide technical advice, in particular on the draft development consent order, explanatory memorandum, the consultation report and any draft HRA. You may therefore wish to build this into your timetables.

In the meantime, you may wish to have regard to the guidance and legislation material provided on our website including the Infrastructure Planning (Fees) Regulations 2010 (as amended) and associated guidance, which you will need to observe closely in establishing the correct fee to be submitted at the successive stages of the application process.

When seeking to meet your pre-application obligations you should also be aware of your obligation under the Data Protection Act 1998 to process personal data fairly and lawfully.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

*Kay Sully*

**Kay Sully**  
**Case Manager**

Advice may be given about applying for an order granting development consent or making representations about an application (or a proposed application). This communication does not however constitute legal advice upon which you can rely and you should obtain your own legal advice and professional advice as required.

A record of the advice which is provided will be recorded on the National Infrastructure Planning website together with the name of the person or organisation who asked for the advice. The privacy of any other personal information will be protected in accordance with our Information Charter which you should view before sending information to the Planning Inspectorate.