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Dear Sir/Madam

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) (PA 2008) and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended)

Application by Orsted Hornsea Three (UK) Ltd on behalf of Orsted Power (UK) Ltd for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Hornsea Project Three Offshore Wind Farm

Other Person status in examination

I refer to the above application from Orsted Hornsea Three (UK) Ltd for a Development Consent Order for an offshore wind farm. This application could, if consented, potentially represent one of the largest in UK waters.

The wind farm is proposed to be located approximately 121km off the Norfolk coast and 160km off the Yorkshire coast. Although you have not made a relevant representation and you are not automatically an Interested Party, Scottish Natural Heritage is invited to attend and take part in the Examination as an 'other person' owing to potential impacts on European protected areas.

The Examining Authority (ExA) would be grateful if you could take the time to read the Rule 8 letter and written questions that were issued on Tuesday 9 October 2018 and published on the project webpage:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010080/EN010080-000956-H3WF%20-%20181008%20-%20Holding%20document%20for%20Rule%208%20letter.pdf

If you have any questions, or require clarification in relation to the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact the Case Manager, Kay Sully at the details found in the top right corner of this letter.



Yours faithfully

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