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To all Interested Parties

Your Ref:

Our Ref: EN010080

Date: 1 March 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) – Rules 8(3) and 13 and the Infrastructure Planning (Compulsory Acquisition) Regulations 2010 – Regulations 10 - 16

# Application by Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Hornsea Project Three Offshore Wind Farm

### Amendment to the Application and inclusion of additional land

The Examining Authority (ExA) has accepted a proposal to amend the application and to include additional land<sup>1</sup>. The Applicant has certified that this proposal has been publicised in accordance with Regulations 7 and 8 of the Infrastructure Planning (Compulsory Acquisition) Regulations 2010.

No further Relevant Representations have been received.

In accordance with Regulation 11 of the Infrastructure Planning (Compulsory Acquisition) Regulations 2010 the ExA has made an initial assessment of the issues arising in connection with the proposed provision and has decided that the issues remain as set out in Annex B to our letter of 4 September 2018. There are no new issues arising. The ExA has decided that it is not necessary to hold a meeting to discuss how the proposed provision should be examined. The provision will be examined by written representations and by holding further hearings.

### Written Representations

All Interested Parties are now invited to submit Written Representations on the proposed provision to amend the application and include additional land. In addition,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The proposal to amend the application is at [REP4-008] and there is a comparison plan showing the extent of the additional land at [REP4-098].



any additional affected persons<sup>2</sup> are invited to submit Written Representations on the application as a whole.

Written Representations can cover any relevant matter and are not restricted to the matters set out in Annex B to our letter of 4 September 2018. Any person, other than the Applicant, who submits a Written Representation must identify those parts of the application with which they agree and those parts with which they do not agree, explaining the reasons why.

Written Representations should be submitted by Friday 22 March 2019 (Deadline 8 in the revised timetable attached at Annex A).

### **Notification of Hearings**

In accordance with Rule 13(1) and (6) of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) and the Infrastructure Planning (Compulsory Acquisition) Regulations 2010, we are required to give a 21 day notice period for hearings. We request that the Applicant publicly notifies and advertises the Hearings arrangements no later than 21 days before the events.

We write to advise you that the following Hearings will be held between Monday 25 March 2019 and Tuesday 26 March 2019. Important details about the hearings are set out below.

Date	Hearing	Time	Venue	Access and Parking
Monday 25 March 2019	Open Floor Hearing	Doors open 6.30pm Hearing starts 7.00pm	Mercure Norwich Hotel, Presidential Suite, 121- 131 Boundary Road, Norwich, NR3 2BA	Free parking is available at the hotel
Tuesday 26 March 2019	Further Issue Specific Hearing	Doors open 09:00 Hearing starts 09:30	Mercure Norwich Hotel, Presidential Suite, 121- 131 Boundary Road, Norwich, NR3 2BA	Free parking is available at the hotel
Tuesday 26 March 2019	Further Compulsory Acquisition Hearing	Hearing starts 12:00	Mercure Norwich Hotel, Presidential Suite, 121- 131 Boundary Road,	Free parking is available at the hotel

<sup>2</sup> Persons with an interest in the additional land



Date	Hearing	Time	Venue	Access and Parking
			Norwich, NR3 2BA	

The purpose of the Further Issue Specific Hearing is to enable any additional affected persons to make oral representations on matters that have been discussed at previous Issue Specific Hearings (ISH):

- ISH1 into alternatives/design flexibility (offshore and onshore); onshore ecology; navigation/other offshore operations
- ISH2 into offshore ecology
- ISH3 into the draft Development Consent Order (DCO)
- ISH4 into other onshore matters
- ISH5 into offshore ecology
- ISH6 into the draft DCO
- ISH7 into offshore ecology
- ISH8 into aviation, shipping and effects on oil and gas operations
- ISH9 Part 1 into cumulative traffic impacts and related mitigation measures
- ISH9 Part 2 into the draft DCO

For those hearings that have already taken place, agendas, audio recordings of the events and written submissions of the oral representations made have been published in the Examination Library. ISH7, ISH8 and ISH9 will be held on 6 to 8 March 2019. Agendas for these hearings have been published. Audio recordings of the events and written submissions of the oral representations made will be published in the Examination Library.

The purpose of the Further Compulsory Acquisition Hearing is:

- to enable any affected person and/or interested party to make oral representations on the compulsory acquisition of the additional land; and
- to enable any additional affected persons to make oral representations on matters relating to the proposed compulsory acquisition of land and rights.

Those parties who wish to speak at the Hearings should notify the Case Manager Kay Sully at the postal or email address above by **22 March 2019**. We should be grateful if you would inform us if you plan to attend a Hearing even if you do not wish to speak. It would also assist us if you could notify us of any special needs you may have (e.g. disabled access, hearing loop etc). Please ensure that you include your Interested Party reference number in your correspondence.

Yours faithfully

David Prentis

### David Prentis Lead Member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors



# Annex – A

#### **Revised Examination Timetable**

The Examining Authority (ExA) is under a duty to complete the examination of the application by the end of the period of six months beginning with the day after the close of the Preliminary Meeting.

The ExA's examination of the application primarily takes the form of the consideration of written submissions. The ExA will also consider any oral representations made at Hearings.

23	Issue of timetable specifying date for comments on relevant representations, submission of written representations, written questions (if required) and date for hearings.	Friday 1 March 2019
24	Accompanied Site Inspection	Tuesday 5 March 2019
25	ISH7 into offshore ecology	Wednesday 6 March 2019
26	ISH8 into aviation, shipping and effects on oil and gas operations	Thursday 7 March 2019
27	ISH9 - Part 1 into cumulative traffic impacts and related mitigation measures; Part 2 into the draft DCO	Friday 8 March 2019
28	Issue of written questions (if required)	Friday 8 March 2019
27	Deadline 7 Deadline for receipt of:	Thursday 14 March 2019
	<ul> <li>Applicant's updated Guide to the Application</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Applicant's updated Statement of Commonality of SoCGs</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Comments on the ExA's draft DCO schedule of changes (if required)</li> </ul>	
	Comments on the RIES	
	Updated SoCGs	
	<ul> <li>Responses to further information requested by the ExA</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Post hearing submissions (if required)</li> </ul>	
28	<ul> <li>Time reserved for issue by the ExA of:</li> <li>Any further information requests under Rule 17 (if required)</li> </ul>	Tuesday 19 March 2019
29	Deadline 8	Friday 22 March 2019



	Deadline for receipt of:	
	Written Representations	
	<ul> <li>Comments on responses to written questions (if required)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Notification of wish to be heard at a Compulsory Acquisition Hearing or Open Floor Hearing</li> </ul>	
30	Open Floor Hearing	Monday 25 March 2019
31	Further Issue Specific Hearing and further Compulsory Acquisition Hearing	Tuesday 26 March 2019
32	Deadline 9	Tuesday 26 March 2019
	Deadline for receipt of:	
	<ul> <li>Applicant's final updated Guide to the Application</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Final DCO to be submitted by the Applicant in the SI template with the SI template validation report</li> </ul>	
	Applicant's final CA Schedule	
	<ul> <li>Applicant's final updated version of the Book of Reference</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Applicant's final Statement of Commonality of SoCGs</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Responses to comments on the ExA's draft DCO schedule of changes (if required)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Responses to comments on the RIES</li> </ul>	
	Final SoCGs	
	<ul> <li>Responses to further information requested by the ExA</li> </ul>	
33	Deadline 10	Monday 1 April 2019
	Deadline for receipt of:	
	Comments on Written Representations	
	<ul> <li>Comments on responses to Written Questions (if required)</li> </ul>	
	Summary of Oral Submissions at Hearings	
34	The ExA is under a duty to complete the examination of the application by the end of the period of 6 months beginning with the day after the close of the Preliminary Meeting.	Tuesday 2 April 2019

