

Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

HORNSEA PROJECT THREE OFFSHORE WIND FARM

THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2009

NOTICE OF A DECISION ON AN APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR EIA DEVELOPMENT

The Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (“the Secretary of State”) gives notice under regulation 23(2) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 that a determination has been made on an application made by Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited (“the Applicant”) for development consent under the Planning Act 2008 (“the 2008 Act”) for Environmental Impact Assessment development.

The Hornsea Project Three Offshore Wind Farm comprises up to 231 wind turbines with an electrical capacity above 100MW and up to 2.4GW; up to three offshore accommodation platforms; up to twelve offshore transformer substations; up to four offshore High Voltage Direct Current (“HVDC”) converter substations; up to six subsea offshore High Voltage Alternating Current (“HVAC”) booster stations; up to four surface offshore HVAC booster stations; subsea inter-array electrical circuits; a marine connection to shore; a foreshore connection; an onshore connection to an onshore substation; and the connection from there to National Grid’s existing Norwich Main substation.

The Secretary of State has determined, following consideration of the report of the Examining Authority which conducted an examination into the Application, that development consent should be granted and has decided, therefore, to make an Order under sections 114, 115, 120 and 149A of the 2008 Act.

The statement of reasons for deciding to make an Order granting development consent, which has been prepared by the Secretary of State under section 116 of the 2008 Act and regulation 23 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009, containing the content of the decision, the requirements imposed in connection with the development, the main reasons and considerations on which the decision is based including relevant information about the participation of the public, a description of the main features to avoid, reduce and offset any major adverse effects of the development and information regarding the right to challenge the decision and the procedures for doing so, is published on the Planning Inspectorate’s web-site:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/hornsea-project-three-offshore-wind-farm/>

The statement of reasons contains the information required by regulation 23 including information regarding the right to challenge the decision and the procedures for doing so.

Hard copies of the decision documentation will also be available to inspect at the Planning Inspectorate’s offices (by appointment using the contact details below).

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To make an appointment for inspection of the documents contact the Planning Inspectorate on 0303 444 5000 or email NIEnquiries@pins.gsi.gov.uk .

Copies of the Secretary of State's decision letter and the text of the Order can be obtained by writing or sending an e-mail to the Planning Inspectorate. No charge will be made for this service.