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Orsted Hornsea Project Three

Dear Mr. Leigh:

01 December 2021

Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited (**Orsted**) is writing to you for approval of the enclosed Sandbank Implementation Plan(s) (SBIPs¹) for The Wash and North Norfolk Coast Special Area of Conservation (WNNC SAC) and North Norfolk Sandbanks and Saturn Reef (NNSSR) SAC, in accordance with Schedule 14 Part 2 of the Hornsea Three Offshore Wind Farm Order 2020 (**the Order**).

Paragraph 12 of Part 2 of Schedule 14 requires the SBIPs to be submitted to the Secretary of State for approval and provides that no cable installation works in Work No. 2(c) and (d), Work No. 3(c) and (d) and Work No.5 may be commenced until the SBIPs have been approved in writing by the Secretary of State. The SBIPs must include the details listed in sub-paragraphs (a) to (f) of paragraph 13 and must accord with the principles outlined in the Sandbanks Compensation Strategy². The enclosed submission contains the information required by sub-paragraphs (a) to (f) and has been prepared in accordance with the Sandbanks Compensation Strategy.

The following documents are enclosed within the submission:

| Document Number | Document | Relevant to which SAC | Purpose |
|-----------------|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| (07122823_A) | NNSSR SBIP | NNSSR | Discharge requirement 13 (a – f) |
| (07103743_A) | WNNC SBIP | WNNC | Discharge requirement 13 (a – f) |
| (07108734_A) | Appendix 1 Marine Debris Removal Campaign: Desktop Study | Both | Support requirement 13 (c) |
| (07126576_A) | Appendix 2 Environmental Monitoring Plan | | Specific to requirement 13 (e) |
| (07154337_A) | Appendix 3 Disposal Technical Study | | Specific to requirement 13 (b) |

¹ Termed SIPs in the Order but amended to SBIPs in consultation with the Benthic Compensation Steering Group to avoid confusion with 'Site Integrity Plan'

² [EN010080-003190-HOW03_CON02_Appendix2A_SandbanksCompensationStrategy.pdf](https://www.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/EN010080-003190-HOW03_CON02_Appendix2A_SandbanksCompensationStrategy.pdf) (planninginspectorate.gov.uk)

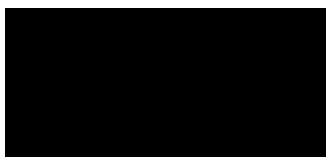
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| (07124534_A) | Consultation Summary | | Demonstrate Hornsea Three consideration of consultation responses |

Hornsea Three has prepared the SBIPs in consultation with the Benthic Compensation Steering Group in accordance with paragraph 11 of Part 2 of Schedule 14. Hornsea Three would like to give thanks to Steering Group members for their constructive engagement throughout 2021. The consultation conducted is detailed further within the Consultation Summary which forms part of the submission.

Hornsea Three hereby requests that the Secretary of State approves the SBIPs in accordance with Schedule 14 Part 2 of the Order.

If you have any queries in relation to the SBIPs or this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Rosalyn Jones (@orsted.co.uk).

On behalf of Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited



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