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Response to Section 51 advice for Thanet Extension – submission of revised Land Plans prior to the Preliminary Meeting.

Dear Ms Mignano,

As requested in your letter of 23 July 2018, I enclose a revised copy of the Onshore Land Plans (Application ref 2.3) and Crown Land Plan (Application ref 2.12). The Onshore Land Plans have been updated in accordance with Section 51 advice and the Section 55 checklist, as set out in my letter of 15 November 2018. The Crown Land Plan has been updated following further diligent enquiry, as set out below.

Title update at foreshore

We have been in discussions with The Crown Estate in connection with an Agreement for Lease of the seabed for the project's export cable, and have been engaged in a process of dialogue with them about the near shore extent of their ownership.

This, together with our ongoing diligent enquiry in relation to the ownership of the foreshore, has resulted in the identification of 3 further land parcels, being Plots 00/01, 00/02 and 00/03 (shown on the attached plan entitled Thanet Extension Offshore Wind Farm Land Plans (Onshore) revB. As a result of identifying these land parcels the scale of sheet 0 of the Onshore Land Plan has been kept at 1:5,000, reflecting the large intertidal area that these plots cover.

The plots are in the ownership of Thanet District Council (TDC) (Plot 00/01); unknown ownership (Plot 00/02); and Kent Wildlife Trust (KWT) (plot 00/03), registered under their former name of the Kent Trust for Nature Conservation. Plot 00/02 is unregistered, and in unknown ownership. We had previously been working on the basis that this land was owned by the Crown Estate and that land rights were being secured as part of the Agreement for Lease of the seabed.

Plot 00/01

We have contacted Thanet District Council in order to commence negotiations for an Agreement to Grant an Easement at Plot 00/01. Thanet District Council have been consulted as part of the s.42 process and throughout the project to date.



Plot 00/02

We are carrying out further diligent enquiry in order to ascertain, if possible, the owner of the unregistered Plot 00/02. For our Book of Reference, this land will be treated as an "unknown" plot, and scheduled as such. The interest of both TDC and KWT will also be scheduled as potential, presumed interests in this plot in accordance with the *medium filum* rule, where unregistered boundary features such as river beds are presumed to be owned by the adjacent owners on either side, unless there is evidence to the contrary.

Plot 00/03

We have contacted Kent Wildlife Trust at Plot 00/03 and will be amending the offer which we have already made them for an agreement to grant an easement to include the newly identified area. Kent Wildlife Trust have been consulted as part of the s.42 process and throughout the project to date.

Next steps

We are carrying out further title investigations into the new plots in order to identify all interested parties. The information we have received to date from the Land Registry has been incomplete, and we are waiting for updated information to be sent by post in order to complete our assessment of the parties to be scheduled in the Book of Reference. The outstanding title information relates to a historic transfer of land under KWT's title K410629. Although we do not anticipate this will reveal any interests that will need to be scheduled, we prefer to have a complete picture before producing a revised Book of Reference. We will submit a revised and refreshed Book of Reference for Deadline 1.

We have not identified any parties who we have assessed as needing to be scheduled in the Book of Reference who have not already been consulted on the project.

Should you have any gueries on the above details, please let me know.

Kind regards



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