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Dear Sir/ Madam

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – Rule 16

Application by Vattenfall Wind Power Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Thanet Extension Offshore Wind Farm

Notification of Accompanied Site Inspection 2: The Thames Ports

We write to all Interested Parties (IPs) and Other Persons to announce the date, times of and places for forthcoming Accompanied Site Inspection 2 (ASI2) to the Thames Ports which will be held on 15 April 2019.

As foreshadowed in the Amended Examination Timetable annexed to our Rule 8(3) letter dated 1 March 2019, Port of Tilbury London Ltd (PoTLL) and London Gateway Port Ltd (LGPL) have requested that the ExA should inspect their operational port facilities and development proposals, located in the Thurrock Council area in Essex. The ExA has agreed to these requests and will carry out ASI2 to the following facilities (described together as the 'Thames Ports').

- The operational Port of Tilbury; and
- The proposed port development at Tilbury 2, both near Tilbury in Essex.
- The operational port and port development area at DP World London Gateway at Stanford-le-Hope, Essex.

Notice of and arrangements for ASI2 are set out at **Annex A** and an outline itinerary is set out at **Annex B**.

A final itinerary for ASI2 will be published on the National Infrastructure Planning website no later than one week before the event, once PoTLL, LGPL, the Applicant and attendees have finalised access, security, health and safety arrangements.

Final attendance arrangements for IPs and Other Persons requesting to attend ASI2 and taking account of access, security, health and safety arrangements will be confirmed in the final itinerary. Please note that as the ASI will include access within the secure perimeters of operational port land and water, travel on port vehicles and vessels, the port operators may require the names of attendees and request that attendees carry photo ID and use relevant personal protective equipment (PPE). Whilst the ASI is a public event, attendees who do not comply with the reasonable requests of the port operators in relation to access, security, health and safety may be denied entry to and participation in relevant parts of the ASI. Further details of these requirements and how they are to be met are set out in the annexes.

If ASI2 or parts of it are no longer required or arrangements need to be changed, reasonable notice will be provided of our decision to cancel or amend arrangements. As provided for in the ExA's Procedural Decision 4 of 18 December 2018, in unforeseeable circumstances such as severe weather, the ExA reserves the right to amend or defer the ASI or part of it by notice posted on the website and/ or oral notice at the event start location, at any time up to the advertised start time.

If you have any further queries, please contact the Case Team using the details at the top of this letter.

Yours faithfully

Rynd Smith

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Lead Member of the Examining Authority

Annex A – Date, time and meeting place for Accompanied Site Inspection 2 (ASI2)

Annex B – Outline itinerary for Accompanied Site Inspection 2 (ASI2)

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Date, time and meeting places for Accompanied Site Inspection 2 (ASI2)

Please be advised that the Examining Authority (ExA) will hold Accompanied Site Inspection 2 (ASI2) under Rule 16 of The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 on the following date, at the following times and places:

Event	Date and time	Meeting Place
Accompanied Site Inspection 2 (ASI2)	Part 1 Monday 15 April 2019 Arrival 9:30am (Departure 10:00am)	Port of Tilbury London Ltd, Tilbury, Essex Report to Leslie Ford House, Tilbury, Essex RM18 7EH . Access via St Andrew's Road (A1089). Parking available.
	Part 2 Monday 15 April 2019 Arrival 1:40pm (Departure 1:55pm)	London Gateway Port Ltd, Stanford-le-Hope, Essex Report to No.1 London Gateway, Stanford-le-Hope, Essex SS17 9DY . Parking available.

Attendees will travel to the Part 1 meeting place at Leslie Ford House, Tilbury and then between the Part 1 and the Part 2 meeting place using their own private transport.

Detailed site inspections within private and operational land and water within the perimeters of each port will be made using vehicles and vessels provided by the port operators.

Attendees who do not have their own means of transport between the Part 1 and Part 2 locations or who have special transport needs are requested to contact the Case Team by emailing ThanetExtension@planninginspectorate.gov.uk **no later than 8 April 2019** so that transport and access arrangements can be made.

Capacity on the vehicles and vessels that will be used within the port perimeters will be limited. Priority attendance must be afforded to the Planning Inspectorate, port operators, the Applicant, local authorities and relevant Statutory Parties. Any further IPs or Other Persons who wish to attend the ASI will be contacted by the Planning Inspectorate's Case Team to discuss arrangements and should note that it may not be feasible to accommodate all requests. If the ASI or part of it is oversubscribed, the Case Team will seek to ensure that a representative cross-section of IPs by interest are represented and that requests for the ExA to view particular features made by any persons who are unable to attend are passed to the ExA for consideration.

An outline itinerary for the ASI has been published as **Annex B** below. Please note that this will be amended by a final itinerary to be published no later than one week before the event, to take account of final access, security, health and safety arrangements advised by the port operators.

Attendees are requested to arrive at the Part 1 meeting place at Leslie Ford House, Tilbury by 9:30am to receive a compulsory safety briefing from the port operator and introductory remarks from the Planning Inspectorate. The ASI will commence as soon as possible after these are concluded.

On departure from Port of Tilbury facilities, attendees are requested to arrive at the Part 2 meeting place at London Gateway by 1:40pm to receive a compulsory safety briefing from the port operator. The ASI will re-commence as soon as possible after these are concluded.

The inspection will include access to operational port areas and construction sites. It will include travel through waterside areas and port waters on port vehicles and vessels. It may include some walking on uneven or wet ground and in locations where port or construction vehicles and plant are used. The Planning Inspectorate advises attendees to wear clothing that is appropriate for the weather and any personal protective equipment (PPE) requested by the port operators.

The port operators are requested to advise the Case Team **no later than Deadline 4 (28 March 2019)** of any advance requirements and advice on security, access and PPE use, for inclusion in the final itinerary.

As the inspection locations include operational port land and water and construction sites, reasonable access requirements include the advance confirmation of the number, names and roles of attendees with security personnel and the need to carry photo identification. All reasonable security and access arrangements administered by or on behalf of the port operators must be complied with and attendees who do not comply may be denied access to all or part of any operational land.

The port operators may require specific items of PPE to be worn. The reasonable directions of site managers provided in the interests of health and safety must be observed.

Attendees are advised to bring their own drinks, snacks and lunch – or to make their own lunch arrangements between Part 1 and Part 2 of the ASI. Lunch and refreshments will not be provided by the port operators. Part 1 is intended to end providing sufficient time for a lunch break and for onward travel from Tilbury to Stanford-le-Hope (approximately 30 minutes).

If severe weather or other unforeseen circumstances emerge, this ASI may be cancelled or re-arranged as published on the website at any time prior to the meeting time, or by oral notice provided at the meeting location.

Please be reminded that the purpose of the site inspection is to allow the ExA to look at particular physical features, first hand. It is not an opportunity to make any oral representations about the application to the ExA.

Outline Itinerary for Accompanied Site Inspection 2 (ASI2)

PoTLL and LGPL submitted proposals at Deadline 3 that are summarised in the following outline itinerary.

ASI2 Part 1 – Port of Tilbury and Tilbury 2

- a) Arrive at Port of Tilbury in own vehicles and park. Report to Leslie Ford House, RM18 7EH at 9:30am
- b) Briefing (port operator safety/housekeeping and Planning Inspectorate procedure)
- c) Coach transfer to tour boat
- d) Board tour boat
- e) Boat tour of Port of Tilbury and Tilbury 2 facilities/sites
- f) Disembark boat/board coach
- g) Coach tour of landside facilities (including logistics park)
- e) Return to Leslie Ford House
- f) Disembark coach
- g) Depart site at approximately 12:20pm

Lunch to be obtained by attendees outside port operational land

Travel to London Gateway Port in own vehicles (allow 30 minutes)

ASI2 Part 2 – London Gateway Port

- a) Arrive at London Gateway Port in own vehicles and park. Report to No.1 London Gateway, Stanford-le-Hope, Essex SS17 9DY at 1:40pm
- b) Briefing (port operator safety/housekeeping)
- c) Board coach
- d) Tour of port/logistics park facilities
- e) Return to No.1 London Gateway
- f) Disembark coach
- g) Depart site at approximately 4:00pm

Onward travel in own vehicles

The ASI is proposed to be guided by Trevor Hutchinson (planning and transportation consultant for PoTLL and LGPL) accompanied by Stuart Wallace (PoTLL – Chief Operating Officer for Forth Ports), Paul Dale (PoTLL – Asset and Site Director) and Andrew Bowen (LGPL Port Operations Director). Some PPE will be provided by the ports – however attendees will wish to bring their own protective footwear. PPE will not be required during the boat tour or whilst aboard the tour coaches but may be required if attendees wish to disembark the coach during either tour whilst within the port facilities. All attendees will be required to bring photographic proof of identity (driver's licence or passport).

PoTLL and LGPL have requested receipt of a list of attendees by **12 April 2019**. (To enable this requirement to be met, the ExA requests attendees names, addresses, roles and organisations to be confirmed to the Case Manager by email to ThanetExtension@planninginspectorate.gov.uk **by Deadline 4 (28 March 2019)**.)

The ExA has estimated that PoTLL and LGPL should plan for approximately 20 attendees. Final numbers will be confirmed following receipt of Deadline 4 submissions.

A more detailed itinerary including maps showing access, parking and meeting locations will be provided at **Deadline 4** and published shortly thereafter on the national infrastructure planning website:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/thanet-extension-offshore-wind-farm/>.