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Dear Sirs

Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 - Application by Vattenfall Wind Power Limited ("the Applicant") for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Thanet Extension Offshore Wind Farm

We write further to the above and the Examining Authority's final written questions and requests for information under Rule 17 (EPR) (R17Qs) issued on 30 May 2019.

In this letter:

"the Act" means the Planning Act 2008;

"the Commissioners" shall mean the Crown Estate Commissioners;

"Crown land" shall have the meaning given in the Act;

"Draft DCO" shall mean the Applicant's draft Development Consent Order Revision F for Deadline 6; and

"Order" shall mean The Thanet Extension Offshore Wind Farm Order once made by the Secretary of State.

In relation to R17Q 4.3.1:-

- (a) This is a matter for the Applicant to comment on.
- (b) This is a matter for the Applicant to comment on.
- (c) To reiterate, the Commissioners will not execute agreements for lease for the Thanet Extension Offshore Wind Farm until the Plan Level HRA has been completed and they will only do so in accordance with the outcome of the Plan Level HRA.

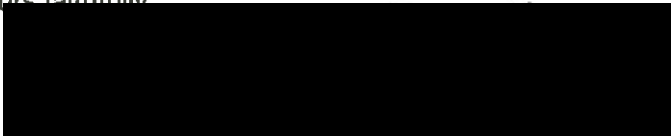
In relation to R17Q 4.3.2:-

- (a) We note that Article 15 of the Draft DCO referred to in the preamble to this question only applies to 'land onshore' and so has no relevance to Crown land.

Subject to (i) the inclusion of Article 40 in the Order and its continuing application and (ii) the Commissioners executing agreements for lease for the Thanet Extension Offshore Wind Farm with the Applicant, the Commissioners confirm their consent to Articles 3, 4, 7, 16, 29, 30, 38 and 40 of the Draft DCO applying in relation to Crown land for the purposes of section 135(2) of the Act to the extent that they are included in the Order.

- (b) In the event that there are any subsequent changes to the wording of the Draft DCO that affect any provisions of the Order which are subject to section 135(2), we would expect to be consulted and note that a further consent under s135(2) of the Act may need to be provided by the Commissioners to the Secretary of State.

Yours faithfully,



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For and on behalf of the Crown Estate Commissioners