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**Boston AEF (Alternative Energy Facility) / National Infrastructure Planning  
(NIP) examination**

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**Eastern IFCA comments**

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Thank you for sharing the following documents for Interested Party consideration. Although Eastern IFCA is not formally an Interested Party in this Examination, we request that the following comments are taken into consideration.

1. Addendum to Without Prejudice HRA Derogation Case Compensation Measures (for The Wash SPA);

Eastern IFCA notes that the placement of rocks within the mouth of the Haven for an additional roost site is being considered, to compensate for vessel disturbance associated with BAEF. We note that this would need a Marine Licence from Marine Management Organisation. If this proposal does go ahead, Eastern IFCA requests to be kept informed and involved in discussions in relation to potential impacts on fisheries, habitats supporting fisheries, and conservation features. We would also highlight the importance of fishery stakeholders being directly consulted on any such proposal.

2. Air Quality Deposition Monitoring Plan.

Eastern IFCA notes the proposal for monitoring of nitrogen oxides and ammonia on saltmarsh, at locations to be confirmed with Natural England and the Environment Agency. Eastern IFCA queries whether any monitoring of deposition of these compounds is deemed necessary on other sensitive receptors in the area, namely intertidal mussel beds and cockle beds in The Wash. Is there any risk of these receptors being impacted by such depositions?

End.