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Subject: Update on Viking Link and Hornsea Four Position

## Dear K-1

Please see below a summary of the current position between Viking Link ("VKL") and Orsted in relation to the Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm and the impact on the Viking Link Interconnector:

- The parties are continuing to engage productively and progress the technical matters raised by VKL in relation to the Viking Link Interconnector and also to discuss the responses made by Orsted to these issues.
- The Parties will be progressing with follow up discussions over the coming weeks, with VKL preparing to share the further technical information that Orsted have requested to allow full assessment of the position.
- It is agreed by both parties that a technical solution exists to the issues raised and the parties are committed to working towards achieving such a technical solution.
- Given these ongoing discussions and the progress being made, the parties don't
  believe there is a material update to be provided on the technical detail as part of
  the Offshore Environmental Matters Issue Specific Hearing on 26th April. As
  already advised to the Examining Authority, VKL are unable to attend the
  hearing.
- The parties are happy to provide the Examining Authority with any further information required.
- The Parties will keep the Examining Authority updated in relation to the progress of these discussions in the coming weeks and the parties will seek to agree a commercial position by Deadline 5 (20 June).

Best regards, Hannah Towner-Roethe Environment Manager UK Consents, Development Commercial

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