

TRINITY HOUSE

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The Planning Inspectorate Temple Quay House Temple Quay Bristol BS1 6PN

Your Ref: EN010098

Identification No. 20029842

Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm Response to the Examining Authority's Written Questions and Requests for Information (ExQ2) for Deadline 5

Dear Sir / Madam

We refer to the above application for development consent.

Accordingly, Trinity House requests to submit its written response to the ExA for Deadline 5 in respect of the ExA's further round of Written Questions and Requests for Information (ExQ2) as follows:-

ExQ2 NAR. 2.1

Please advise if there are any outstanding concerns with the draft DCO, DMLs and Layout Principals subsequent to the Deadline 4 submissions and if so, elaborate what they are.

Trinity House Response

Trinity House confirms that it is very largely content with the draft DCO, DMLs and Layout Principals as per the submissions published at Deadline 4.

However, Trinity House notes that, in the updated draft DCO submitted at Deadline 4 [REP 4-049], condition 19(2) at Part 2 of Schedule 12 (DML under the 2009 Act – Transmission Assets) has been amended by the applicant to remove the requirement for post construction vessel traffic monitoring in respect of the transmission assets.

Trinity House suggests that post construction vessel traffic monitoring will still be required for any booster stations placed along the cable route and that provision for vessel traffic monitoring in respect of this aspect should, therefore, be incorporated within Schedule 12 condition 19(2) of the DML accordingly.

Trinity House understands that the MCA intends to make a related written representation to the Examining Authority, and to propose appropriate wording in this regard for potential inclusion into Schedule 12 of the DML, as part of its Deadline 5 submission.

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