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Dear Recipient

Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm DCO (the "Proposed Development") NEO Energy (SNS) Limited ("NEO")

We act on behalf of NEO Energy (SNS) Limited (Company Number SC291165 and having its registered office at The Silver Fin Building (9th Floor), 455 Union Street, Aberdeen, United Kingdom, AB11 6DB). Relevant representations were submitted on behalf of NEO in respect of the Proposed Development on 15 December 2021.

We refer to your Rule 17 Letter issued on 25 July. Discussions between NEO and the Applicant are continuing on draft Protective Provisions and reaching a suitable Coexistence Agreement.

NEO's position is as follows:

- 1. A buffer zone of 3.14nm (a reduction from the 3.2nm previously sought) is necessary for the operation of the Babbage Platform. NEO may be able to accept a further reduction to this buffer (to 2.7nm, as proposed by the Applicant) provided that adequate annual compensation is made for the disruption to NEO's helicopter operations at the Platform.
- 2. The Applicant should meet the direct costs and reasonable overheads of the Navigational Aids to be installed on the Babbage Platform.

Both parties continue to prioritise discussions with a view towards reaching a satisfactory conclusion, and NEO commits to an update at Deadline 7.

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