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Bristol Avon BS1 6PN Our ref: RA/2022/144793/01-L01

Your ref: EN010098

Date: 10 August 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

HORNSEA PROJECT FOUR OFFSHORE WIND FARM DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER: RULE 17 - REQUEST FOR INFORMATION. ERYC.

We write in respect to the Rule 17 letter, issued on 25 July 2022, requesting further information in relation to the Action Points from the Issue Specific Hearings ISH7 (draft Development Consent Order) and ISH8 (Onshore Environmental Matters).

ISH7 (draft Development Consent Order)

We have reviewed Action Points 16 and 36 from the hearing [EV-031a] and can advise as follows:

We are now able to confirm that we are satisfied with the Protective Provisions as written within the draft Development Consent Order. In addition, as confirmed within our joint Statement of Common Ground with the Applicant (also to be submitted for Deadline 7), we have no outstanding areas of disagreement, so a position statement is not required.

ISH8 (Onshore environmental matters)

We have reviewed Action Points 9 and 10 from the hearing [EV-032a] and can advise as follows:

We have listened to the recordings of the hearing [EV-032b and EV-032c] and agree with the summary provided by the applicant. Subsequent to this hearing, discussions between the Environment Agency and the Applicant have continued with regard to the voluntary land agreement. We are confident that the terms will be agreed very shortly. We therefore have no comments to add to those made by the Applicant at the hearing and confirm that all outstanding matters have now been agreed. As such, we do not consider it necessary to provide a position statement.

Yours faithfully

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