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Dear Sir/Madam,

Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm [Application Reference: EN010098]

We refer to the application submitted by the Developer dated 23rd September 2019 reference EN10098. NERL made representations in respect of the application as its assessment is that the development will cause an adverse impact to the Claxby primary surveillance radar and associated air traffic operations of NATS (En-Route) plc ("NERL") without suitable mitigation.

An agreement has been entered into between NERL and Hornsea Project Four Offshore Wind Farm Limited dated 1st March 2023 for the agreement of suitable planning requirements and the implementation of an identified and defined mitigation solution in relation to the development that will be implemented under agreement. In summary, the mitigation solution will require works to be carried out to NERL's infrastructure at the Claxby primary radar site.

NERL is therefore prepared to withdraw its previous representations to the Development Consent Order application subject to the inclusion of the agreed Requirement set out below that has been agreed with the developer within the Development Consent Order:

(1) No wind turbine generator blades forming part of the authorised development may be installed until the Secretary of State, having consulted with NATS, has confirmed satisfaction that appropriate mitigation will be implemented and maintained for the required period and that arrangements have been put in place with NATS to ensure that the approved mitigation is implemented and in operation prior to installation of the wind turbine blades.

The undertaker must thereafter comply with the obligations contained within the approved mitigation for the required period.

For the purposes of this requirement –

- "appropriate mitigation" means measures to mitigate any adverse effects which the operation of the authorised development will have on the primary surveillance radar at Claxby and NATS' associated air traffic (surveillance and control) services/operations during the required period;
- "approved mitigation" means the detailed Primary Radar Mitigation Scheme setting out the appropriate mitigation approved by the Secretary of State and confirmed in accordance with sub-paragraph (1);

"NATS" means NATS (En-Route) Plc (company number 04219273) or any successor body;

"the required period" means the shorter of –

- the operational life of the authorised development; and
- the period ending on the date notified to the Secretary of State by the undertaker and confirmed by NATS being the date on which NATS no longer requires the appropriate mitigation to be in place.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Yours Faithfully



Mr Vijay Desai
For and on behalf of NATS En-Route plc