



David Wagstaff OBE
Deputy Director, Energy Infrastructure Planning
Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy
1 Victoria Street
London
SW1H 0ET

Your Ref: EN010098
By email

30 March 2023

Dear Sir,

Hornsea Project Four – Protective Provisions

Thank you for your letter dated 3 March 2023 in which, at paragraphs 5, 6 and 7, the Secretary of State requests a full draft of Bridge Petroleum 2 Limited's ("Bridge") protective provisions, and certain further information, that may be included in a development consent order ("DCO") in relation to Hornsea Project Four (the "Request for Information Letter").

Please refer to Bridge's document entitled "Information for Submission to BEIS for Hornsea Project Four" dated 13 January 2023 and provided to BEIS by email on the same date (Document No: KUM-BPL-CP-RE-0001) (the "Bridge Information Document").

With reference to paragraph 6 of the Request for Information Letter, identical in nature to the protective provision afforded the owners of the Blythe Gas Field in relation to the Dudgeon Windfarm in 2012, Bridge proposes the following single protective provision be included in any DCO for Hornsea Project Four in relation to the potential Kumatage development:

"No turbine shall be erected closer than 1 nautical mile to the proposed locations of: (i) the Kumatage production facility at coordinate location X m: 371314 Y m: 5999837 UTM Zone 31; Lat: 54 07' 49.9008N Long: 1 01' 49.9008E, and/or (ii) the Kumatage appraisal well at coordinate location X m: 371387 Y m: 5998808 UTM Zone 31; Lat: 54 07' 16.6908N Long: 1 00' 47.54916E without the written approval of the Secretary of State following consultation by him with the Kumatage owners.

Reason: To protect the interests of the owners of the proposed Kumatage production facility."

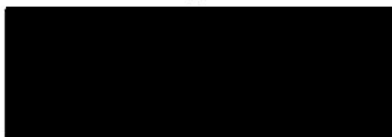
Further details as to the justification for the above proposed protective provision are set out in clauses 4.3 and 4.4 of the Bridge Information Document.



As to a specific timeframe for committing to the location of the Kumatage pipeline, please refer to clause 5 of the Bridge Information Document. The final committed location of the pipeline would be identified shortly before the project's Final Investment Decision (FID) following the various stages of work done as referred to paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of clause 5. Please note that following our 33rd Offshore Licensing Round Interview with NSTA on 23 March 2023, Bridge now anticipates the timeline set out in clause 5 of the Bridge Information Document to have been pushed back by two quarters. As such, final commitment to the location of the pipeline is likely to occur in Q2 2026.

Bridge has already re-applied for the relevant Kumatage licence as part of the NSTA's 33rd Licensing Round. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Request for Information Letter, the timeframe set out above is predicated on Kumatage licence award to Bridge occurring before the end of Q3 2023. From our 23 March 2023 discussions with NSTA, Bridge understands this to be a realistic timeframe but will update the Secretary should the situation change.

Yours faithfully,



Robbie Leask
Head of Development
Bridge Petroleum