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Dear Sirs

Application by Net Zero Teesside Power Limited and Net Zero North Sea Storage Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Net Zero Teesside Project

Please find enclosed a written representation submitted on behalf of EDF Energy Renewables Limited and Teesside Wind Farm Limited ("**EDF**") in respect of the above application.

Discussions have taken place recently between EDF and the Applicant in relation to the following package of Works:

- Work No. 5 – wastewater disposal works in connection with Work No. 1, comprising—
(a) Work No. 5A – repair and upgrade of the existing water discharge infrastructure to the Tees Bay; or (b) Work No. 5B – a new water discharge pipeline to the Tees Bay; and (c) Work No. 5C – up to two new wastewater pipelines between Bran Sands Wastewater Treatment Plant and Work No. 1.
- Work No. 8 – high pressure carbon dioxide export pipeline corridor, comprising an overground and underground pipeline of up to 800 millimetres nominal bore diameter and associated power and fibre-optic cables.

These Works are shown on Sheets 10 and 12 of the Land Plans.

As a result of those discussions, EDF is concerned that the above Works may cause the following issues for the operation of Teesside Wind Farm:

1. Risks associated with vessels in close proximity to EDFs offshore turbines (during construction or maintenance).
2. The risk of any explorations or construction works damaging EDF's offshore cable connection, in particular but not limited to any bore holes that may be drilled in close proximity to EDF's offshore electricity connection.
3. Impacts associated with changes to the seabed that may impact upon the foundations of the offshore turbines.
4. Seismic effects that may result from the proposed works that may impact upon the stability of the offshore turbines foundations.

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EDF are seeking to arrange an urgent meeting with the Applicant regarding protective provisions within the draft Development Consent Order to address the above matters, on which it is hoped that a conclusion will be reached shortly. To the extent agreement cannot be reached, EDF will maintain its objection to the draft Development Consent Order in relation to these matters.

I would be grateful if you could confirm that EDF's written representation will be taken into account in the decision making process for the application.

I trust that the above is clear however please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

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