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Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero c/o The Planning Inspectorate
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Dear Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero,

Net Zero Teesside Project development consent order ("NZT Project DCO") application submitted 19 July 2021 (EN010103);

Commercial agreement between Orsted Hornsea Project Four Limited (registered number 08584182) and BP Exploration Operating Company Limited (registered number 0305943); withdrawal of representations

As set out in relevant representations made on 7 February 2022 by Orsted Hornsea Project Four Limited ("**Orsted**"), Orsted and the promoters of the Net Zero Teesside ("**NZT**") Project have been negotiating the terms of a commercial agreement.

Orsted is the promoter and will be the operator of the Hornsea Four windfarm ("Hornsea Four"), which Orsted plans to develop in the coming years. Orsted is awaiting a decision on its development consent order application submitted on 29 September 2021 (EN010098).

BP Exploration Operating Company Limited ("bp") is the appointed operator on behalf of the licence holders of the UK Carbon Dioxide Appraisal and Storage Licence CS001 (the "CCUS Licence"), namely bp and Equinor New Energy Limited ("Equinor") (registered number 06824625).

The CCUS Licence is held in relation to the carbon storage site for the Northern Endurance Partnership project (the "NEP Project"). The application for the Teesside onshore elements of the NEP Project was made under the NZT Project DCO application by Net Zero North Sea Storage Limited ("NZNSS") and Net Zero Teesside Power Limited ("NZTP"), both wholly owned affiliates of bp.

NZNSS and NZTP are co-authoring and signing this letter on behalf of the following parties and therefore comments made herein by NZNSS and NZTP should be taken to be confirmation of the position of each of the below parties:

- 1. bp;
- Equinor;
- 3. TotalEnergies CCS UK Limited (registered number 06710451)); and
- 4. Any successors and assignees of any interest in the CCUS Licence, and any new participant in the NEP Project, which is on board at the date of this letter.

Orsted and NZNSS and NZTP confirm that a commercial agreement has been reached. On this basis, Orsted and NZNSS and NZTP agree that there are no requirements for protective provisions under the NZT Project DCO for the benefit of Orsted. Orsted has no remaining objection to the proposed NZT Project DCO application and agrees to withdraw any and all prior representations made in relation to the NZT Project DCO application.

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Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of Orsted Hornsea Project Four Limited



For and on behalf of Net Zero North Sea Storage Limited



Net Zero Teesside Power Limited



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