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Dear Mr Wagstaff

## **APPLICATION REF: EN010103 – THE NET ZERO TEESSIDE PROJECT**

### **SECRETARY OF STATE’S REQUEST FOR FURTHER INFORMATION IN RESPECT OF THE NET ZERO TEESSIDE DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER (“THE NET ZERO TEESSIDE ORDER”) APPLICATION**

### **LAND AT AND IN THE VICINITY OF THE FORMER REDCAR STEEL WORKS SITE (TEESWORKS SITE), REDCAR AND IN STOCKTON-ON-TEES**

I write on behalf of the Applicants, Net Zero Teesside Power Limited and Net Zero North Sea Storage Limited, in response to the Secretary of State’s requests for further information on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023 relating to the Net Zero Teesside (“**NZT**”) Development Consent Order (“**DCO**”) Application.

In response to the Secretary of State’s request, the following documents accompany this letter:

1. Application Guide (Document Ref. 1.2, Rev. 18.0) – new and updated documents highlighted in yellow.
2. Wider Project Environmental Statement – Habitat Regulations Assessment Addendum (Document Ref. 6.6, Rev. 1.0).
3. Applicants’ response to Submission from Climate Emergency Policy and Planning (Document Ref. 9.53, Rev. 1.0).

The above documents can be downloaded using the following link to a secure file share site: <https://dwd.ctit.co/url/uvrnrdjxk3wc>.

### **Request for further information**

#### ***Wider Project Environmental Statement – Habitat Regulations Assessment Addendum***

The Secretary of State issued a letter to the Applicants on 16th May 2023 requesting “that the Applicants provide an updated Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Habitats Regulations Assessment Report (HRA) which include assessment, alone and cumulatively, of the offshore elements of the Wider NZT Project, including the use of the Endurance Store.”

In their response to the Secretary of State’s letter on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023 the Applicants confirmed that they intended to submit an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) of the offshore



elements of the Wider NZT Project along with an update to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report submitted as part of the DCO Application. The detail of the updated environmental information that the Applicants intended to submit was set out in Appendix 1 of the response to the Secretary of State's letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023. The Secretary of State confirmed by a letter dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023 that they were satisfied with the format of the documentation proposed by the Applicants. The accompanying Wider Project Environmental Statement – Habitat Regulations Assessment Addendum is now being submitted in response to this request.

#### Additional Information

##### *Response to Submission from Climate Emergency Policy and Planning (CEPP)*

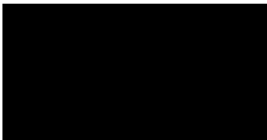
A response is enclosed by the Applicants to address the matters raised in CEPP's Post-Examination Submission dated 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

##### *Application Guide*

An updated Application Guide has been submitted to account for the submission of the Wider Project ES-HRA Addendum and response to the Submission from CEPP.

I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this submission.

Yours sincerely



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