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**To:** SADEP <sadep@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** RE: EN010109 Sheringham and Dudgeon Extension Projects

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Netherlands acknowledges the receipt of the Espoo notification and information regarding the Application by Equinor New Energy Limited (the Applicant) for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Sheringham and Dudgeon Extension Projects (reference: EN010109), and wishes to participate in the proceedings.

With the letter of 8 November 2022, the Netherlands was invited to participate in the cross-border consultation. The Netherlands have brought the changes to the attention of the public via the website [www.noordzeeloket.nl](http://www.noordzeeloket.nl). Stakeholders and interested parties were called upon to respond directly. We have also shared the documents with other government departments.

The Netherlands does not have any objections concerning the developments. However, we wish to point out that a few aspects would have deserved more attention. We would like to stress the importance of including these aspects as far as possible in the assessment of this application and in the future spatial development of the North Sea. We would appreciate information on how these aspects were considered in the environmental assessment. It is essential to take cumulative effects into account in Environmental Impact Assessments. We refer here to cumulative impacts of the windparks from different countries. These should be considered to get a good picture of the transboundary effects on:

- (migratory) birds, especially considering effects on the Natura2000 areas relevant for migratory species (e.g. specie Tundra Swan)
- mobile species such as the Harbour Porpoise (regarding underwater noise)

With kinds regards,

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