



Sheringham Shoal and Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm Extension Projects

Cover Letter

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To whom it may concern,

Development Consent Order (DCO) application for Sheringham Shoal and Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm Extension Projects (EN010109) – Examination Deadline 4 Document Submissions

1. DEADLINE 4 SUBMISSIONS

We refer to the Planning Inspectorate's Rule 8 Letter dated 27 January 2023 (the Rule 8 Letter). In accordance with the deadlines at Annex A of the Rule 8 Letter, Equinor New Energy Limited (the Applicant) encloses the documents listed in **Annex 1** of this letter in response to Deadline 4.

2. STATEMENTS OF COMMON GROUND

In the Planning Inspectorate's Rule 6 Letter dated 13 December 2022 (the Rule 6 Letter), Annex F requested that the Applicant submit Statements of Common Ground (SoCG) with a number of Interested Parties and Other Parties. A number of draft SoCGs were submitted at previous deadlines (Deadlines 1, 2 and 3). The Applicant now encloses the draft SoCGs listed in **Annex 2** of this letter.

There are a number of SoCGs requested in Annex F of the Rule 6 Letter where it has not been possible to agree a draft for submission for Deadline 4. The Applicant is continuing to discuss these with the relevant Interested Party or Other Party and endeavours to submit these to the Examining Authority at the earliest possible deadline. **The Applicant's Statement of Commonality (Revision D)** [document reference 12.45] provides an update on the status of all SoCGs requested in Annex F of the Rule 6 Letter.

3. ADDITIONAL SUBMISSIONS

The Applicant also encloses a number of additional submissions being made at Deadline 4. These are new documents, or updates to previously submitted documents, where the Applicant considers that these provide information, clarifications and updates useful to both the Examining Authority and Interested Parties. **Annex 3** of this letter contains a list of additional documents that have been submitted by the Applicant.

The Applicant previously advised that it intended to submit an addendum to the **Planning Statement** [AS-031] that assesses the Application against the relevant consultation draft National Policy Statements published on 30 March 2023. The Applicant has not included that addendum in its Deadline 4 submission, but intends to submit it at Deadline 5.

We would be grateful if you could kindly acknowledge safe receipt of this letter and the enclosures. If we can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Sarah Chandler (SARC@equinor.com) in the first instance.

Yours faithfully,

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ANNEX 1 - DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO DEADLINE 4

- **The Applicant's comments on responses to the Examining Authority's Second Written Questions** [document reference 18.2]
- **Appendix A – Supporting documents to the Applicant's Comments on Responses to the Examining Authority's Second Written Questions** [document reference 18.2.1]
- **The Applicant's Response to North Norfolk District Council's Deadline 3 Submission** [document reference 18.3]
- **The Applicant's Response to Natural England's Deadline 3 Submission** [document reference 18.4]
- **The Applicant's Response to the National Trust's Deadline 3 Submission** [document reference 18.5]
- **The Applicant's Response to the Maritime and Coastguard Agency's Deadline 3 Submission** [document reference 18.6]
- **The Applicant's Response to the Norfolk Parishes Movement for an Offshore Transmission Network's Deadline 3 Submission** [deadline reference 18.7]
- **The Applicant's Response to National Highways' Deadline 3 Submission** [document reference 18.8]
- **The Applicant's Response to Novus Renewable Services Deadline 3 Submission** [document reference 18.9]
- **The Applicant's Response to the Marine Management Organisation's Deadline 3 Submission** [document reference 18.11]
- **The Applicant's Response to the National Farmer's Union Deadline 3 Submission** [document reference 18.12]
- **The Applicant's Comments on Post-Hearing Submissions** [document reference 18.14]
- **The Applicant's Response to Mr Derek Aldous' Deadline 3 Submission** [document reference 18.15]
- **Guide to the Application (and Glossary) (Revision G)** [document reference 1.3]
- **Draft Development Consent Order (Revision G)** [document reference 3.1]
- **Draft Development Consent Order (Revision G) (Tracked)** [document reference 3.1.1]
- **Schedule of Changes in Revision G of the draft Development Consent Order** [document reference 3.1.2]
- **Draft DCO (Revision G) (Full Tracked - Revision A/G)** [document reference 3.1.4]
 - Please note that although the Applicant has sought to produce document 3.1.4 via a different method for this Deadline, the document continues to erroneously show some paragraph numbers as having changed. This error is not reflected in document 3.1 (the 'clean' version). The Applicant has been unable to resolve this technical issue for Deadline 4 and will continue to seek a solution ahead of future deadlines.
- **Explanatory Memorandum (Revision F)** [document reference 3.2]
- **Explanatory Memorandum (Revision F) (Tracked)** [document reference 3.2.1]

ANNEX 2 – STATEMENTS OF COMMON GROUND SUBMITTED AT DEADLINE 4

- **Draft Statement of Common Ground with South Norfolk Council (Revision B)** [document reference 12.6]
- **Draft Statement of Common Ground with Broadland District Council (Revision B)** [document reference 12.7]
- **Draft Statement of Common Ground with Environment Agency (Revision C)** [document reference 12.10]
- **Draft Statement of Common Ground with Norfolk County Council (Revision C)** [document reference 12.17]
- **Draft Statement of Common Ground with National Trust (Revision B)** [document reference 14.21]
- **Draft Statement of Common Ground with Norfolk Wildlife Trust** [document reference 16.24]
- **The Applicant's Statement of Commonality (Revision D)** [document reference 12.45]
- **The Applicant's Statement of Commonality (Revision D) (Tracked)** [document reference 12.45.1]

ANNEX 3 – ADDITIONAL SUBMISSIONS AT DEADLINE 4

- **Appendix 2 Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Matrices (Revision B)** [document reference 5.4.2]
- **Appendix 2 Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Matrices (Revision B) (Tracked)** [document reference 5.4.2.1]
- **Appendix 3 Habitats Regulations Assessment Integrity Matrices (Revision B)** [document reference 5.4.3]
- **Appendix 3 Habitats Regulations Assessment Integrity Matrices (Revision B) (Tracked)** [document reference 5.4.3.1]
- **Habitats Regulations Assessment Updates Signposting Note** [document reference 5.4.4]
- **Offshore In-Principle Monitoring Plan (Revision B)** [document reference 9.5]
- **Offshore In-Principle Monitoring Plan (Revision B) (Tracked)** [document reference 9.5.1]
- **Outline Code of Construction Practice (Revision D)** [document reference 9.17]
- **Outline Code of Construction Practice (Revision D) (Tracked)** [document reference 9.17.1]
- **Waveney Helicopter Access Supplementary Analysis** [document reference 18.13]
- **Review of 2022 Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) outbreak on relevant UK seabird colonies** [document reference 18.16]
- **Response to the Examining Authority’s Second Written Question 2.14.1.10 (e&f): Additional Supporting Material** [document reference 18.17]
- **Response to the Examining Authority’s Second Written Question 2.17.1.2: Additional Supporting Material – Onshore Substation Visualisations** [document reference 16.2.3.1]
- **Response to Q2.11.2.2 (a) – (d): Joint Position Statement between the Applicant and Local Planning Authorities covering pre-commencement works** [document reference 16.27]