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Glossary of Acronyms

DCO	Development Consent Order
DEL	Dudgeon Extension Limited
DEP	Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm Extension Project
SEL	Scira Extension Limited
SEP	Sheringham Offshore Wind Farm Extension Project
SoCG	Statement of Common Ground
UK	United Kingdom



Glossary of Terms

Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm Extension Project (DEP)	The Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm Extension onshore and offshore sites including all onshore and offshore infrastructure.
Onshore Substation	Compound containing electrical equipment to enable connection to the National Grid.
Sheringham Shoal Offshore Wind Farm Extension Project (SEP)	The Sheringham Shoal Offshore Wind Farm Extension onshore and offshore sites including all onshore and offshore infrastructure.
The Applicant	Equinor New Energy Limited. As the owners of SEP and DEP, Scira Extension Limited and Dudgeon Extension Limited are the named undertakers that have the benefit of the DCO. References in this document to obligations on, or commitments by, 'the Applicant' are given on behalf of SEL and DEL as the undertakers of SEP and DEP.

1 Introduction

1.1 Background

1. This final Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) has been prepared by Equinor New Energy Limited (the Applicant) and Anglian Water. It identifies areas of the Sheringham Shoal Offshore Wind Farm Extension Project (SEP) and Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm Extension Project (DEP) Development Consent Order (DCO) application (the Application) where matters are agreed, not agreed or that remain under discussion between the parties.
2. The Applicant has had regard to the Planning Act 2008: Guidance for the examination of applications for development consent (Department for Communities and Local Government, 2015) when compiling this final SoCG.
3. This final SoCG has been structured to reflect topics of the Application which are of interest to Anglian Water. The applicable matters considered within this final SoCG apply to Anglian Water’s statutory remit.
4. Topic specific matters agreed, not agreed and matters that remain under discussion between the Applicant and Anglian Water are included within this final SoCG. Matters that are not yet agreed will be the subject of ongoing discussion between the Applicant and Anglian Water to reach agreement wherever possible, or to refine the extent of disagreement between parties.
5. Throughout the final SoCG the phrase “Agreed” identifies any point of agreement between the Applicant and Anglian Water. The phrase “Not Agreed” identifies any point that is not agreed between the Applicant and Anglian Water.

1.2 Summary of ‘Agreed’, ‘Not Agreed’ and ‘In Discussion’ Matters

6. In order to easily identify whether a matter is ‘agreed’, ‘not agreed’ or ‘in discussion’, the colour coding system set out in **Table 2** has been used.
7. Details on specific matters that are ‘agreed’, ‘not agreed’ or ‘in discussion’ between the Applicant and Anglian Water are presented in **Table 3** and **Table 5**.

Table 1 Position status key

Position Status	Position Colour Coding
Agreed The matter is considered to be agreed between the parties.	Agreed
Not Agreed – no material impact The matter is not agreed between the parties; however, the outcome of the approach taken by either the Applicant or Anglian Water is not considered to result in a material impact to the assessment conclusions and the matter is considered to be closed for the purposes of this SoCG. Discussions on these matters have concluded.	Not Agreed – no material impact
Not Agreed – material impact The matter is not agreed between the parties and the outcome of the approach taken by either the Applicant or Anglian Water is considered to result in a materially different impact to the assessment conclusions. Discussions on these matters have concluded.	Not Agreed – material impact



Position Status	Position Colour Coding
<p>In discussion</p> <p>The matter is neither 'agreed' nor 'not agreed' and is a matter where further discussion is required between the parties (e.g. where documents are yet to be shared with Anglian Water).</p>	<p>In discussion</p>

2 Statement of Common Ground

8. A summary of the consultation undertaken to date with Anglian Water and the matters agreed, in discussion or not agreed (based on discussions and information exchanged between the Applicant and Anglian Water during the pre-application and examination phases of the Application) is set out below for the final SoCG topic areas.

2.1 Protective Provisions and use of the Anglian Water foul sewer at the onshore substation

9. As set out in The Applicant's Statutory Undertakers Position Statement (Revision C) [REP5-037], the Applicant and Anglian Water have been engaging in relation to Protective Provisions since December 2021. During that time various comments have been shared by email exchange in relation to the drafting, the dates of which are detailed in Table 2.

Table 2 Summary of consultation with stakeholder regarding protective provisions

Date	Contact Type	Topic
Pre-Application		
15 th June 2021	Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project interactions
20 th December 2021	Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project interactions
8 th January 2022	Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project interactions
23 rd March 2022	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anglian Water issued draft of Protective Provisions
Post-Application		
9 th February 2023	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General correspondence
14 th February 2023	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email from Applicant confirming its intention to remove the connection to the foul sewer at the OnSS
17 th February 2023	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email from Anglian Water providing a copy of their Written Representation
31 st March 2023	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email from Applicant attaching a copy of the latest draft of Protective Provisions
4 th April 2023	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exchange surrounding the Protective Provisions
20 th April 2023	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exchange surrounding the Protective Provisions
4 th May 2023	Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion of the FEP Material Amendment Application



Date	Contact Type	Topic
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approach to preparation of the Statement of Common Ground
9 th May 2023	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email from Anglian Water on attaching the latest draft of the Protective Provisions
12 th June 2023	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email from Anglian Water confirming that it had no further comments on the Protective Provisions
3 rd July 2023	Email	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email from Anglian Water on formatting errors within the Protective Provisions



Table 3 Topics agreed, in discussion or not agreed

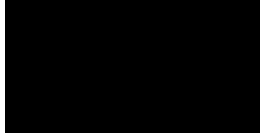
ID	The Applicant Position	Anglian Water Position	Position Summary
Protective Provisions			
1	The Applicant and Anglian Water have agreed a set of protective provisions for the benefit of Anglian Water.	Agreed	Agreed
2	The protective provisions included in Part 9 of Schedule 14 of the draft DCO (Revision H) [document number 3.1] ensure that appropriate protection and safeguarding measures for Anglian Water’s assets and interests are in place. Both parties agree that appropriate protection is in place for Anglian Water and that Anglian Water will not suffer serious detriment to the carrying on of its undertaking as a result of SEP and DEP.	Agreed	Agreed
Use of the Anglian Water foul sewer at the Onshore Substation			
3	<p>After consideration of multiple operational drainage options at the Onshore Substation, the Applicant confirmed that a single preferred solution for surface water drainage from the Onshore Substation had been selected. This comprises a shallow infiltration solution, which will remove the need for the option to drain into the Anglian Water foul sewer.</p> <p>This was communicated to the Examining Authority via a letter dated 13th January 2023 [AS-036] where the Applicant advised of its intent to request a non-material change to the DCO. Subsequently, the Examining Authority confirmed on 17th April 2023 [PD-014] their acceptance of the Applicant’s request to make non-material changes to the application.</p>	Agreed.	Agreed



3 Signatures

10. The above final Statement of Common Ground is agreed between Equinor New Energy Limited and *Anglian Water* on the day specified below.

Signed:



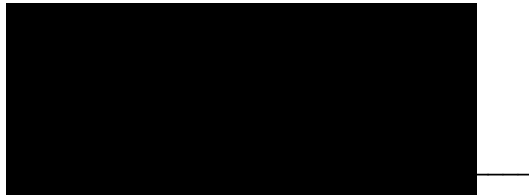
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Date: 10/07/2023

Duly authorised for and on behalf of Anglian Water

Signed:



Print Name: ___ Sheery Atkins _____

Job Title: ___ Onshore Consents Manager _____

Date: ___ 10th July 2023 _____

Duly authorised for and on behalf of **Equinor New Energy Limited**



References

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