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Er sylw / For the attention of: Jake Stephens

Annwyl / Dear Jake,

**FFERM WYNT ALLTRAETH AWEL Y MÔR ARFAETHEDIG / PROPOSED AWEL Y MOR  
OFFSHORE WINDFARM**

**CYFEIRNOD YR AROLYGIAETH GYNLLUNIO / PLANNING INSPECTORATE REFERENCE:  
EN010112**

**EIN CYFEIRNOD / OUR REFERENCE: 20031687**

**RE: NATURAL RESOURCES WALES' WRITTEN SUBMISSION FOR DEADLINE 6**

Thank you for your Rule 8 letter, dated 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022, requesting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru / Natural Resources Wales' comments regarding the above.

This letter comprises NRW's Deadline 6 submission, which is provided in [Annex A](#) of this letter.

In Annex A we provide an update with respect to flood risk, specifically in relation to our position on the disapplication of the FRAP as raised in our Written Representations at Deadline 1 [REP1-080], and with respect to designated landscapes.

Please do not hesitate to contact Nia Phillips ([redacted] [@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk](mailto:[redacted]@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk)) and Bryn Griffiths ([redacted] [@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk](mailto:[redacted]@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk)) should you require further advice or information regarding these representations.

Yn gywir / Yours sincerely,

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## **ANNEX A**

### **1. Flood Risk**

#### **1.1. Flood Risk Activity Permit (FRAP)**

- 1.1.1. As explained in paragraph 2.2.3 of our Deadline 4 submission [REP4-045], we were approached by the Applicant on 25/1/2023 as to whether an additional DCO Requirement would address our concerns regarding the disapplication of the requirement for a FRAP. The proposed requirement was included in the Applicant's response to question 7.2 of the Examining Authority's second round of questions [REP5-004]. We have carefully considered the Applicant's proposal.
- 1.1.2. We do not provide consent to the inclusion of Article 7(c) of the draft DCO. NRW considers it necessary to retain its regulatory functions under the Environmental Permitting Regulations in respect of the works given its established expertise in this area. We do not consider that any further amendments to the DCO would address this concern.
- 1.1.3. Accordingly, NRW does not agree to the inclusion of Article 7(c) in the DCO. We advise the draft DCO is updated accordingly.

### **2. Designated Landscapes**

#### **2.1. NRW's review of the Applicant's *Designated Landscapes and Relevant Tests* document [REP5-007]**

- 2.1.1. We have reviewed the above submission [REP5-007] submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 5.
- 2.1.2. The issues raised by the Applicant have been addressed by NRW in its previous submissions (including REP1-080, REP3a-021 and REP4-045). We can confirm that our advice remains unchanged.

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