

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please see below The Crown Estate's response to Question ExQ3.3.21 of the Examining

Authority's Third Written Questions and requests for information issued on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023. The 5km buffer/"stand-off" between wind farms (unless developers consent to closer proximity) is a commercial arrangement to enable developers to develop, operate and maintain wind farms by allowing for a range of factors including amongst other matters, wake effects, navigation and safety. The location of a wind farm within an area of seabed leased from The Crown Estate is for developers to decide and design for, subject to obtaining the necessary consents and The Crown Estate's approval.

Kind regards,

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