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Dear Mr Gould,

**Planning Act 2008 – Application by Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm Ltd for an order granting development consent for the Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm project**

**Submissions made at Deadline 4 (3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024)**

**Registration ID: 20049310**

In accordance with the Rule 6 letter (dated 20<sup>th</sup> August 2024) regarding the Draft Examination Timetable (Annex E), we offer the following response to submissions made by the Applicant at Deadline 3 (12<sup>th</sup> November 2024) and other requirements identified at Deadline 4.

- 3.1 Draft Development Consent Order - Revision D (Tracked), Examination Ref: REP3-006

We recommend that the following draft requirement is amended as follows:

Onshore archaeology, Requirement 9:

“9.—(1) No stage of the onshore works may commence until, for that stage, an archaeological written scheme of investigation in accordance with the outline onshore written schemes of investigation as appropriate for the relevant stage has been produced in consultation with Historic England and submitted to and approved by the relevant planning authority”

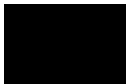
- 9.19 Outline Marine Written Schemes of Investigation - Revision B (Tracked), Examination Ref: REP3-013

We appreciate the changes that have been made to this document to clarify terms used in the glossary, the production and consultation of Method Statements with Historic England and in particular, the additional detail introduced regarding potential sampling of deposits of geoarchaeological potential. We have therefore considered the replacement text introduced from paragraph 8.4.6 to 8.4.28 and we are satisfied by this revision.

- Response to Examination Authorities Second Questions, Examination Ref: PD-014

There were no Second Questions directed to Historic England or any other Second Questions that require our attention.

Yours sincerely,



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**Cc.** Will Fletcher (Principle Inspector of Ancient Monuments, East of England Region, Historic England)