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Dear Sir

Five Estuaries Offshore Windfarm Project (the “Project”)
Application Ref: EN010115
East Anglia ONE North Limited’s Deadline 4 Submissions

1. Introduction

- 1.1 We refer to the above Examination and confirm we are instructed by East Anglia ONE North Limited.
- 1.2 This submission is provided in accordance with Deadline 4 of the Examination timetable and responds to comments made by Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm Ltd (the “**Applicant**”) at Deadline 3 [REP3-024] on East Anglia ONE North Limited’s written representation [REP2-078].

2. Lesser black-backed gull compensation

- 2.1 Recognising that representation upon the Offshore Ornithology Engagement Group would not be appropriate should the compensation site at Orford Ness not be selected, East Anglia ONE North Limited and East Anglia TWO Limited propose the establishment of a Statement of Comment Ground which formalises the duties of the parties to collaborate and share relevant information on works should the Orford Ness site be selected by the Applicant.

3. Mitigation of potential impact on red throated diver within the OTE SPA

- 3.1 The Applicant has to date not selected an Operations and Maintenance port, should a port be selected which leads to an increase in vessel traffic through the Special Protection Area (“**SPA**”) then this has the potential to affect not only the SPA, but the outcomes of compensation measures designed to reduce disturbance of red throated divers by reducing vessel traffic through the SPA.

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3.2 Paragraph 187 of the National Planning Policy Framework states:

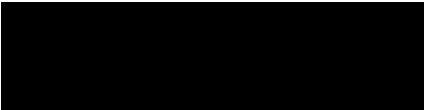
“The following should be given the same protection as habitats sites:

...

c) sites identified, or required, as compensatory measures for adverse effects on habitats sites, potential Special Protection Areas, possible Special Areas of Conservation, and listed or proposed Ramsar sites”.

3.3 Should a port be selected which leads to an increase in vessel traffic through the SPA, then an assessment should be made of the impact not only on the SPA but on the compensation measures which East Anglia ONE North Limited and East Anglia TWO Limited have been required to implement.

Yours faithfully

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For and on behalf of Shepherd and Wedderburn LLP