FW: Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets - Transboundary Consultation

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 Subject: RE: Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets - Transboundary Consultation

Dear,

Steven Vandenborre previously informed you that Belgium intends to participate in the EIA procedure of the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets, as interested party.

We would like to participate in the current examination. Concerning this transboundary consultation with deadline of 6 September, we would like to inform you that our Flemish Agency for Agriculture and Fisheries may respond directly to you with their comments.

Kind regards, Martine

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Van: Morecambe Offshore Wind Project <<u>MorecambeOffshoreWindProject@planninginspectorate.gov.uk</u>> Verzonden: vrijdag 26 juli 2024 11:17

Dear Stephen

Further to your previous correspondence (please see attached), an application for Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets has now been received. Please find attached a consultation letter inviting Belgium to participate in the EIA procedure. Please note the deadline of **6 September 2024** for a response.

Should you wish to participate in the Examination, you can register as an Interested Party until **23:59 on Monday 19 August 2024**. Further details are provided in the letter attached.

Please do not hesitate to contact the project mailbox if you have any queries.

Kind regards Laura

> The Planning Inspectorate

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Betreft: Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets - Transboundary Consultation

Dear

The Flemish agency of Agriculture and fisheries would like to react on the progress of the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets - Transboundary Consultation.

The agency does not agree with Volume 5 Chapter 13 Commercial Fisheries and Appendix 13.1 Commercial Fisheries Technical Report in regards to the conclusion of the impact on the Belgian fisheries active in the Morecambe area.

The Morecambe ICES rectangle 36E6 and surrounding area is an important area for the BE fisheries. Between 2019 and 2023 the landings of the area was on average 136 ton which account for at least 1% of the annual turnover of the Belgian fleet The agency notices that the cited data used in the technical report were from 2012 to 2016, which are not recent data and does not reflect the current activity and importance of the area for the Belgian fisheries. Furthermore recent data suggest the opposite of the cited data and show quite high steady fisheries activity with some fluctuation but no sign of decrease.

Further the Agency is puzzled why there was no mention of any assessment of the possible impact of Brexit on the EU-fisheries within the chapter and the technical report, and due to the use of data before 2020 this is also not reflected in the outcomes.

The Flemish Agency of Agriculture therefore askes to reevaluate Chapter 13 and the conclusions made by the technical report. The Agency would like to continue monitoring the developments and is open to be actively involved in further discussions. We will also always be available to provide additional or more detailed information if needed.

Sincerely,



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