



Application for Development Consent for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects under the Planning Act 2008

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Application Form

Please read guidance documents relating to the submission of applications prior to completing this form including [government guidance](#) and the Planning Inspectorate's [Advice Note Six: Preparation and submission of application documents](#).

Yes No

Reference number

EN010130

1. Applicant



Organisation

GT R4 Limited (Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind). Company no: 13281221

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County or administrative area

England

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Country

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Name of contact

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Fax number

Email

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2. Agent

Yes No

3. Fee



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£8,244 application fee paid on 12th March 2024 – reference 'GT R4 Limited EN010130'

4. Confirming why the Planning Inspectorate should receive the application



GT R4 Limited (Company Registration Number 13281221 and trading as Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind) (the Applicant) is proposing to develop Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind (the Project) in the southern North Sea. The Project will consist of an offshore generating station with a capacity greater than 100MW and is therefore defined as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under section 15(3) of the Planning Act 2008. As such there is a requirement to apply for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to the Planning Inspectorate, who administer the examination of applications on behalf of the Secretary of State (SoS) for the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ).

5. Non-technical description of the Proposed Development



The proposed Project is an offshore generating station (offshore windfarm) with a planned capacity of over 100MW located approximately 54km off the coast of Lincolnshire, with an onshore substation (OnSS) at Surfleet Marsh, Lincolnshire, England. The Project location and boundaries (known as Order Limits) are shown in the Location Plan Onshore (document reference 2.3) and the Location Plan Offshore (document reference 2.4).

The Project comprises both offshore and onshore infrastructure including an offshore generating station comprising up to 100 wind turbine generators located approximately 54km from the Lincolnshire coastline, up to four offshore substations (OSS), an offshore accommodation platform, array and interlink offshore cables, up to four offshore export cables, up to two offshore reactive compensation platforms, up to two Artificial Nesting Structures and Biogenic reef compensation areas, up to four onshore cables, an onshore substation (OnSS), a connection to the electricity transmission network, and ancillary and associated development.

The offshore HVAC export cables will make landfall at Wolla Bank, on the Lincolnshire coastline, south of Anderby Creek. The onshore export cable corridor (ECC) will run south (west of the A52) underground, to the Project's OnSS location at Surfleet Marsh. 400kV cables will then run underground between the OnSS and the National Grid substation (NGSS) that will be consented, built, owned, and operated by National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET).

6. Location or route of the Proposed Development



The Project's array area will be located in the southern north sea approximately 54km off the coast of Lincolnshire, England, at its closest point. The array area occupies an area of up to 436km².

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Single site Linear site

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Middle grid reference

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End grid reference

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Easterly grid reference taken as point 445 from the Offshore Order Limits (Doc Ref 2.8)

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7. Associated Development



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8. a) Consultation Report



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8. b) Copies of newspaper notices



Annexes 5.1.6C and 5.1.6D and Annexes 5.1.6K-5.1.6AR

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9. Draft Development Consent Order



3.1 Development Consent Order

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10. Explanatory Memorandum



3.2 Explanatory Memorandum

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11. Land Plan



2.5 Land Plans

Document reference

2.12 Special Category Land Onshore

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4.1 Book of Reference

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4.3 Statement of Reasons

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12. Works Plan



2.1 Works Plan Onshore

Document reference

2.2 Works Plan Offshore

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13. Compulsory Acquisition of land or an interest in land or right over land



Yes

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Statement of reasons document reference

4.3 Statement of Reasons

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Funding statement document reference

4.2 Compulsory Acquisition Funding Statement

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Book of Reference document reference

4.1 Book of Reference

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14. a) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)



Yes

No

ES Document Reference

Part 6 Environmental Statement

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14. b) Screening Opinion/ Direction and Scoping Opinion/ Direction



Yes

No

Yes

No

Document reference

5.1.2 Scoping Opinion and Report and 5.1.2b Scoping Report

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14. c) Publicity required under Regulation 13 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (or where the transitional provisions apply, Regulation 11 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009)



In addition to publishing the notice, a copy of the notice was sent to:

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Yes

the persons notified to the Applicant in accordance with Regulation 11(1)(c) of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (or where the transitional provisions apply, Regulation 9(1)(c) of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009):

Yes No, not applicable

15. European sites (to which Regulation 63 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 and/ or Regulation 28 of the Conservation of Offshore Marine Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 applies) or a Ramsar site.



Yes No

7.1 Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment

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16. A plan, with accompanying information, identifying any statutory or non statutory sites or features of nature conservation, geological or landscape importance; habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features; and water bodies in a River Basin Management Plan - together with an assessment of any effects likely to be caused by the Proposed Development.



Yes No

2.15 Statutory and NonStatutory Nature Conservation Sites Plan Onshore

Document reference

2.16 Statutory and NonStatutory Nature Conservation Sites Plan Offshore

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6.1.20 Chapter 20 Onshore Archaeology and Cultural Heritage

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Figure 6.2.21.4 Priority Habitats Impact Assessment - Permanent

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Figure 6.2.28.10 Landscape Designations

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6.3.8.1 Water Framework Directive

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2.17 Important Hedgerows and Tree Preservation Order Plan

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17. A plan, with accompanying information, identifying any statutory or non statutory sites or features of the historic environment such as scheduled monuments, World Heritage sites, listed buildings and other historic structures, archaeological sites and registered battlefields, together with an assessment of any effects likely to be caused by the Proposed Development



Yes

No

6.1.13 Marine and Intertidal Archaeology

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6.1.20 Onshore Archaeology and Cultural Heritage

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6.3.13.1 Marine and Intertidal Archaeology Technical Report

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6.3.13.2 Geoarchaeological Phase 1 Report ECC

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6.3.20.1 Onshore Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Desk-Based Assessment

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6.3.20.2 Onshore Archaeology and Cultural Heritage - Heritage Statement

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2.13 Historic Environment Plan Onshore

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2.14 Historic Environment Plan Offshore

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18. Flood Risk Assessment



Yes

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6.1.24 Hydrology, Hydrogeology and Flood Risk

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6.3.24.1 Groundwater Risk Assessment

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6.3.24.2 Flood Risk Assessment: Onshore
ECC and 400kV Cable Corridor

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6.3.24.3 Flood Risk Assessment: Onshore
Substation

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**19. Matters set out in section 79(1) (statutory nuisances etc) of the
Environmental Protection Act 1990**



Yes

No

9.4 Statutory Nuisance Statement

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**20. A plan with any accompanying information identifying any Crown
land**



Yes

No

2.6 Crown Land Plans Onshore

Document reference

2.7 Crown Land Plans Offshore

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**21. A plan identifying new or altered means of access, stopping up
of streets or any diversions, extinguishments or creation or rights of
way or public rights of navigation**



Yes

No

2.9 Accesses to Works Plan

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22. Additional information for specific types of infrastructure



Yes No

For the construction of an offshore generating station, Regulation 6(1)(b)(i) of the APFP Regulations requires "details of the proposed route and method of installation for any cable" to be provided. This information is included in the following documents:

9.2 Cable Statement

6.1.3 Project Description

6.1.4 Site Selection and Consideration of Alternatives

In addition, Regulation 6(1)(b)(ii) of the APFP Regulations requires "a statement as to whether applications will be made for safety zones" to be provided. This information is included in the following document:

9.3 Safety Zone Statement

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2.2 Works Plan Offshore

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Regulation 6 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedures) Regulations 2009 requires additional information to be submitted with the following types of development.

- Construction or extension of a non offshore generating station (Reg. 6 (1a))
- Construction or extension of an offshore generating station (Reg. 6 (1b))
- Highway related development (Reg. 6 (2) (part 1))
- Construction or alteration of a railway (Reg. 6 (2) (part 2))
- Construction or alteration of harbour facilities (Reg. 6 (3))
- Construction of a pipeline (Reg. 6 (4))
- Construction or alteration of a hazardous waste facility (Reg. 6 (5))
- Construction of a dam or reservoir (Reg. 6 (6))

Construction or extension of an offshore generating station (Reg. 6 (1b))

The application is for an offshore generation station that falls within Regulation 6(1)(b). The proposed route and method of installation for any offshore and onshore cables are provided in the Cable Statement (Doc Ref. 9.2) and the Project Description (Doc Ref. 6.1.3) and the route is detailed in the Offshore Works Plans (Doc Ref. 2.2) and the Onshore Works Plans (Doc Ref. 2.1).

The application is for an offshore generation station that falls within Regulation 6(1)(b). The Applicant has therefore supplied a Safety Zone Statement (Doc Ref. 9.3) that explains the applications that will be made for safety zones during the construction and operation of the project and the likely timing of those applications.

2.1 Works Plan Onshore
6.1.3 Project Description
2.2 Works Plan Offshore
9.2 Cable statement
9.3 Safety Zone Statement

23. Any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the proposal for which development consent is sought, and any other documents, reports or information to support the application



Provide a brief description of any other plans, drawings and sections that are being submitted with this application

Regulation 5(2)(o) requires any other plans, drawings and sections necessary to describe the proposals for which development consent is sought, showing details of design, external appearance, and the preferred layout of buildings or structures, drainage, surface water management, means of vehicular and pedestrian access, any car parking to be provided, and means of landscaping. This information is included in the following documents:

2.3 Location Plan Onshore
2.4 Location Plan Offshore
2.17 Important Hedgerows and Tree Preservation Order Plan

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- 2.18 Onshore Crossing Plan
- 2.19 Offshore Crossing Plan
- 2.20 Traffic Regulation Order Plan

Regulation 5(2)(q) requires any other documents considered necessary to support the application and the notes from PINS accompanying this application form request in particular matters relating to climate change adaption and mitigation measures, and how the Proposed Development would impact on the transport network etc. Furthermore, the Applicant should supply such documents to the meet the requirements of any National Policy Statement. This information is included in the following documents:

- 1.1 Cover Letter
- 1.2 Guide to the Application
- 1.3 Draft Section 55 Checklist
- 3.3 Other Consents and Licences
- 8.1 Outline Code of Construction Practice
 - 8.1.1 Outline Noise and Vibration Management Plan
 - 8.1.2 Outline Air quality management plan
 - 8.1.3 Outline Soil Management Plan
 - 8.1.4 Outline Onshore Pollution Prevention and Emergency Incident Response Plan
 - 8.1.5 Outline Surface Water Drainage Strategy
 - 8.1.6 Outline Site Waste Management Plan
- 8.2 Outline Offshore Operations and Maintenance Plan
- 8.3 In Principle Monitoring Plan
- 8.4 Outline Project Environmental Management Plan
- 8.5 Outline Cable Specification and Installation Plan
- 8.6.1 Outline Marine Mammal Mitigation Protocol (Piling)
- 8.6.2 Outline Marine Mammal Mitigation Protocol (UXO)
- 8.7 In Principle Southern North Sea Special Area of Conservation Site Integrity Plan
- 8.8 Outline Marine Archaeological WSI
- 8.9 Outline Onshore Archaeology WSI
- 8.10 Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Strategy (OLEMS)
- 8.11 Outline Operational Artificial Light Emissions Management Plan
- 8.12 Outline Operational Drainage Management Plan
- 8.14 Outline Fisheries Liaison and Co-existence Plan
- 8.15 Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan
- 8.16 Outline Travel Plan
- 8.17 Outline Public Access Management Plan
- 8.20 Outline Vessel Management Plan
- 8.21 Outline Scour and Cable Protection Management Plan
- 8.22 Outline Biogenic Reef Mitigation Plan
- 9.1 Planning Statement
 - 9.1.1 Policy Compliance Document
- 9.5 Biodiversity Net Gain Report Principles and Approach

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(i) any statutory or non-statutory sites or features of nature conservation such as sites of geological or landscape importance;
(ii) habitats of protected species, important habitats or other diversity features; and
(iii) water bodies in a river basin management plan, together with an assessment of any effects on such sites, features, habitats or bodies likely to be caused by the proposed development.
Furthermore, the notes from PINS accompanying this application form request information about measures to mitigate noise impacts from the Proposed Development.
This information is included in the following documents:
2.15 Statutory and NonStatutory Nature Conservation Sites Plan Onshore
2.16 Statutory and NonStatutory Nature Conservation Sites Plan Offshore
6.1.21 Chapter 21 Onshore Ecology
6.1.22 Chapter 22 Onshore Ornithology
6.1.23 Chapter 23 Geology and Ground Conditions
6.1.24 Chapter 24 Hydrology, Hydrogeology and Flood Risk
6.3.8.1 Water Framework Directive
6.1.26 Chapter 26 Noise and Vibration

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24. Other consents/ licences required under other legislation



Yes

No

Presented in Other Consents and Licences (Doc Ref. 3.3)

You must cite the document references as appropriate

3.3 Other Consents and Licences

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25. Declaration



I declare to the best of my knowledge that the information given in this form and enclosed maps, plans and other documents are true.

Please note there is a requirement for one hard copy of the form to be signed. Please ensure that when you submit you include at least one signed copy. Further copies do not require the hand written signature.

Signature

(For and on behalf of the Applicant)

CHRIS JENNER

(In block letters)

19 / 03 / 2024
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Organisation

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