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Our reference: EN01013

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Dear Sir or Madam,

## **Planning Act 2008 – Application by Gate Burton Energy Park Limited, for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Gate Burton Energy Park**

### **Deadline 1 Submission**

On 27 February 2023, notice was given that the Secretary of State has accepted an application by Gate Burton Energy Park Limited (company number 12660764) of Stirling Square, 5-7 Carlton Gardens, London, United Kingdom, SW1Y 5AD (“the Applicant”) for a Development Consent Order under the Planning Act 2008. The Application (Reference No. EN010131) was submitted by the Applicant to the Secretary of State c/o the Planning Inspectorate on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023 and was accepted on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023.

The Marine Management Organisation (MMO) did not receive the requests for comments as part of Deadline 1 due to not being registered as an interested party, however, we received copy of the Rule of 6 letter on 20 June 2023.

At this stage the MMO is yet to receive any information from the applicant which indicates that a deemed marine licence (dML) is required for this DCO. As previously stated, the proposed activity of a bored tunnel under the River Trent as we understand it at present, falls under Article 35 of The Marine Licensing (Exempted Activities) Order 2011. We continue to engage with the applicant and the applicant has stated they will provide the MMO with an updated description of the works, including detailed methodology and clarifying what they consider to be licensable activities.

As such, the MMO are currently issuing a holding response to Deadline 1, until further information is received. The MMO is committed to making progress during this examination and believes, rather than preparing a detailed response that may not resolve all issues, it is more efficient to use this time to bring outstanding matters to resolve. Therefore, a detailed response will be provided upon Deadline 2 on 8 August 2023.

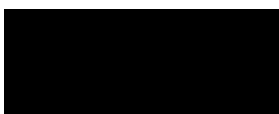


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