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Dear Sirs

Application: Morgan Offshore Wind Project: Generation Assets  
Reference: EN010136

We are making these further comments on behalf of BAE Systems (Marine) Ltd and BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd. The comments provide clarification on matters discussed at the Preliminary Meeting (PE) and the Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH1) on the Scope of Development and Interrelationship with other Infrastructure Projects.

With reference to the relevant notes from the Meeting and Hearing:

1. "BAE Systems explained their position and interest and noted that they have discussed individual Statement of Common Grounds with the Applicant. The ExA noted that the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) will become an interested party to this examination and asked if their representations will be preceded by consultation with BAE Systems as a separate organization. BAE Systems said that they will discuss and confirm this."

BAE Systems can confirm that an individual Statement of Common Ground is being discussed with the Applicant in relation to the interests of BAE Systems (Marine) Ltd. This relates to impacts and implications for Walney Aerodrome. The company can also confirm that the issues that relate specifically to BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd at Warton Aerodrome will be captured through the Statement of Common Ground currently being discussed by the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) and the Applicant. In relation to this, BAE Systems are liaising with the DIO. BAE Systems (Operations) Ltd anticipates that, following the completion of the Statement of Common Ground between the Applicant and the DIO, then the discussion about appropriate mitigation and the structure of an appropriately worded condition to be attached to the Development Consent Order (DCO) will take place directly between the company and the Applicant.

2. "BAE Systems confirmed that their main principal issue will be aviation and radar and asked if this issue will be subject to an individual hearing as there are lots of organisations who have an interest in impacts on this issue. The ExA replied that they will have a better idea once they have seen further written representations." We look forward to receiving the decision of the ExA on this matter.

3. In relation to the Draft Development Consent Order (DCO) and Condition 1 ("The authorised development must commence no later than the expiration of seven years beginning with the date this Order comes into force"). It is the view of BAE Systems that this time frame for the commencement of development is appropriate. The complexity of the project and the inter-relationship with other projects in the Irish Sea combined with the other regulatory procedures to be adhered to underline the need for a longer period in which development can be started.

**For DLP Planning Ltd**

  
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