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Dear Sir/Madam,

North east Skipsea offshore - Dogger Bank D Wind Farm - EIA Scoping for the Dogger Bank D Wind Farm

Thank you for consulting Yorkshire Water on the above scoping report.

Dogger Bank D is the proposed new fourth phase of the Dogger Bank Wind Farm, located in the North Sea, circa 210km of the northeast coast of the UK.

Overall, Yorkshire Water (YW) is satisfied with the proposed scope of the Environmental Statement (ES) as outlined in Chapter 8, 'Water Resources and Flood Risk'. The onshore scoping area includes groundwater Source Protection Zones (SPZs) 1, 2 and 3 and accordingly the supply of contaminants to surface water and groundwater will be scoped into the EIA.

Chapter 8 also advises that any subsequent EIA will be supported by a Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) and stipulate any flood risk mitigation measures. Given the proposal will involve HDD (Horizontal Directional Drilling) it is essential that the FRA identifies, during the construction stage, YW assets along the defined ECC (Export Cable Corridor) route and outline mitigation measures.

Chapter 4, Site selection, defines the criteria used for ECC route options. Key site selection design principles for the ECC route included, among other elements, minimising the number of utility, road, rail and watercourse crossings, an approach agreeable to YW.

Yours faithfully

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