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## 1. SUMMARY

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- 1.1 On 30 July 2015, the Examining Authority (ExA) for the Triton Knoll Electrical System application issued a letter in accordance with Rule 6 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010.
- 1.2 Annex G (5) of the Rule 6 letter requested Triton Knoll Offshore Wind Farm Ltd. (the Applicant) prepare Statements of Common Ground (SoCGs) with certain Interested Parties.
- 1.3 The aim of the SoCGs is to identify areas of agreement and disagreement between the parties at an early stage of the examination process, and to provide a focus on the matters that need further discussion.
- 1.4 The Applicant has sought to progress engagement on SoCGs (or, where applicable, a letter of agreement) with the Interested Parties requested in the Rule 6 letter.
- 1.5 In addition, the Applicant has sought SoCGs with other Interested Parties that it felt would be useful for the purpose of identifying agreements and disagreements early in the examination.
- 1.6 This document provides the ExA with an update to the SoCGs Summary and Index provided as Appendix 14 to the Applicant's response to Deadline 1 (submitted on 5 October 2015).

## 2. INDEX

Deadline and Appendix Number	Interested Party	Content (as requested in Rule 6 letter where applicable)	Status	Topics covered by the SoCG
Requested in the Rule 6 letter				
Appendix 15 to Deadline 2	Anglian Water Services	Issues related to the services provided by, and the interests of, Anglian Water Services	<p>The Applicant has engaged in consultation with Anglian Water with discussions on the matters raised in their relevant representation and a possible SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant and Anglian Water have made significant progress and will continue to discuss issues in their relevant representation.</p> <p>A SoCG is being submitted for Deadline 2.</p>	Water and Waste water requirements for the TKES Protective Provisions
Appendix 16 to Deadline 1	The Canal and River Trust	Possible effects on the River Witham	<p>The Applicant has engaged in consultation with the Canal and River Trust with discussions on the matters raised in their relevant representation and a possible SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant and the Canal and River</p>	Protective Provisions Land Agreements

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			<p>Trust will continue to discuss issues in their relevant representation.</p> <p>The Applicant intends to submit a SoCG commenting on these matters once agreed for the appropriate deadline.</p>	
n/a	ConocoPhillips (UK) Ltd.	Possible effects on the safety and integrity of 'COPUK Lines' and infrastructure	<p>The Applicant has engaged in consultation with COPUK with discussions on the matters raised in their relevant representation and a possible SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant and COPUK will continue to discuss issues in their relevant representation.</p> <p>The Applicant intends to submit a SoCG commenting on these matters once agreed for the appropriate deadline.</p>	Crossing agreements and other issues raised

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Appendix 16 to Deadline 2	Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (EIFCA)	Potential impacts on nature conservation features, benthic ecology, fish and shellfish receptors, and inshore fishing activities	The Applicant has engaged in discussions with the EIFCA regarding agreement of a SoCG and a SoCG is being submitted at Deadline 2.	Subtidal and Intertidal Ecology Fish and Shellfish Ecology Offshore Nature Conservation Commercial Fisheries Draft Development Consent Order (DCO) and Draft Marine Licence (DML)
n/a	EDF Energy Renewables	Possible effects on the operation of the Bicker Fen Windfarm	<p>The Applicant has engaged in consultation with EDF with discussions on the matters raised in their relevant representation and a possible SoCG.</p> <p>The Applicant and EDF will continue to discuss issues in their relevant representation.</p> <p>The Applicant intends to submit a SoCG commenting on these matters once agreed for the appropriate deadline.</p>	<p>Noise</p> <p>Impacts on the energy yield of the turbines</p> <p>Construction impacts on operational wind farm</p> <p>Land agreements</p>

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Appendix 20 to Deadline 1	Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (Historic England)	On-shore historic environment issues	The Applicant has engaged in consultation with Historic England on the matters raised in their Relevant Representation and a SoCG was submitted at Deadline 1.	Historic Environment (onshore) Marine and Coastal Archaeology Draft Development Consent Order (DCO)
Appendix 17 to Deadline 2	Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust	Possible effects on Lincolnshire Coastal Grazing Marshes Possible effects on Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park The adequacy of ecological surveys The adequacy of the assessment of semi-natural and other habitats The need for, and adequacy of,	The Applicant and the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust (LWT) have engaged in consultation on the matters raised in their Written Representation and a SoCG has been submitted at Deadline 2.	Site Selection and Alternatives Terrestrial Ecology Draft Development Consent Order (DCO)



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		biodiversity enhancements		
Appendix 22 to Deadline 1	National Grid Viking Limited (NGVLL)	Possible effects on, and resulting from, the Viking Link Interconnector	The Applicant has engaged in consultation with NGVLL with discussions on the matters raised in their relevant representation. A SoCG was submitted for Deadline 1.	Cumulative Impact Assessment Interactions and separation of TKES and Viking Link Protective Provisions
Appendix 18 to Deadline 2	Natural England	The concerns of Natural England including concerns over the marine physical environment and possible effects on the Inner Dowsing, Race Bank and North Ridge SCI	The Applicant has engaged in further consultation with Natural England with discussions on the matters in section 5 of the SoCG was submitted for Deadline 1. An updated SoCG has been submitted for Deadline 2.  Discussions are ongoing with regards to outstanding matters.	Site Selection and Alternatives Landscape and Visual Terrestrial Ecology Land Use, Agriculture and Soils Marine Physical Processes Marine Ornithology Benthic Ecology Fish and Shellfish

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				Marine Mammals Offshore Conservation Habitats Regulations Assessment Draft Development Consent Order (DCO)
Appendix 24 to Deadline 1	Public Health England	The need for and, if required, the programme for the undertaking of an on-shore electromagnetic field (EMF) assessment	The Applicant has engaged in consultation with PHE in relation to the matters raised in their Relevant Representation. PHE confirmed in a letter dated 2 October that they have reviewed the information in relation to EMFs in the Application and have no further concerns regarding EMFs. The letter is at Appendix x of the Applicant's Response to Deadline 1. On the basis of this letter an SoCG is not considered to be necessary.	Electromagnetic Fields
Appendix 25 to Deadline	Trinity House	The impact the development would have on navigation	The Applicant has engaged in consultation with Trinity House with discussions on the matters raised in their	Shipping and Navigation Draft Development Consent Order (DCO)

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1		within Trinity House's area of jurisdiction	relevant representation. A SoCG was submitted for Deadline 1.	
Appendix 26 to Deadline 1	Westminster Gravels Ltd (WGL)	Possible effects on marine aggregate licence Area 515/1 and possible mitigations of any effects	The Applicant has engaged in consultation with WGL with discussions on the matters raised in their relevant representation. The SoCG submitted for Deadline 1 will be updated for the appropriate deadline when further agreements are reached.	Effects on Marine Aggregate Licence Area 515/1
Others (not requested in the Rule 6 letter but proactively engaged by the Applicant)				
Appendix 19 to Deadline 2	Boston Borough Council	Confirmation of the agreements reached through the EIA evidence plan process and to address matters raised in the Relevant Representation and through discussion with the interested party.	The Applicant and Boston Borough Council have engaged in consultation on the matters raised in their Written Representation and a SoCG has been submitted at Deadline 2.	Site Selection and Alternatives Landscape and Visual Socio-economics Tourism and Recreation Terrestrial Ecology Historic Environment Traffic and Access

Deadline and Appendix Number	Interested Party	Content (as requested in Rule 6 letter where applicable)	Status	Topics covered by the SoCG
				Air Quality Noise and Vibration Draft Development Consent Order (DCO)
Appendix 20 to Deadline 2	East Lindsey District Council	Confirmation of the agreements reached through the EIA evidence plan process and to address matters raised in the Relevant Representation and through discussion with the interested party.	The Applicant and East Lindsey District Council have engaged in consultation on the matters raised in their Written Representation and a SoCG has been submitted at Deadline 2.	Site Selection and Alternatives Landscape and Visual Socio-economics Tourism and Recreation Terrestrial Ecology Historic Environment Traffic and Access Air Quality

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				Noise and Vibration Draft Development Consent Order (DCO)
Appendix 29 to Deadline 1	Environment Agency	Confirmation of the agreements reached through the EIA evidence plan process and to address matters raised in the Relevant Representation and through discussion with the interested party.	The Applicant and the EA have agreed a SoCG, which has been submitted to Deadline 1. There were matters still under discussion in relation to comments raised by the EA in their Relevant and Written Representations. The Applicant has submitted the latest position on the matters under discussion to Deadline 2 in the form of Comments on Written Representation and Comments on Responses to the ExA written questions. The Applicant and the EA will continue to discuss these points in order to provide	Hydrology and Flood Risk Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions Marine Physical Environment Subtidal and Intertidal Ecology Approach in DCO (disapplication to legislative provisions; protective provisions; and

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			an update at Deadline 3.	land interests)
Appendix 30 to Deadline 1	Lincolnshire County Council	Confirmation of the agreements reached through the EIA evidence plan process and to address matters raised in the Relevant Representation and through discussion with the interested party.	<p>As part of the Applicant's response to Deadline 1, a Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) agreed by the Applicant and Lincolnshire County Council (LCC) was submitted as Appendix 30.</p> <p>Page 4 of the SoCG and the following insert page with emailed confirmation of agreement set out that the SoCG was agreed by both the Applicant and LCC and included both matters that were agreed (sections 1-4), matters under discussion (section 5) and matters that were not agreed (section 6). Since</p>	<p>Site Selection and Alternatives</p> <p>Landscape and Visual</p> <p>Socio-economics,</p> <p>Tourism and Recreation</p> <p>Land Use, Agriculture and Soils</p> <p>Geology, Hydrogeology and Ground Conditions</p> <p>Hydrology and Flood Risk</p> <p>Historic Environment</p>

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			<p>submitting its response to Deadline 1, the Applicant has continued to discuss the matters included within sections 5 and 6 of the agreed SoCG with LCC in an attempt to reach further agreement.</p> <p>On 26 October the Applicant was informed by LCC that it had notified the Planning Inspectorate that the agreed SoCG should be marked as draft on the basis that this would accord with the SoCGs with both local planning authorities (Boston Borough Council and East Lindsay District Council) that had been submitted at Deadline 1. LCC did not contact the Applicant or seek to discuss this prior to requesting the change to the document.</p> <p>In order to clarify the position, at Deadline 1 it had not been possible to complete SoCGs with either Boston Borough Council or East Lindsay District</p>	<p>Traffic and Access</p> <p>Draft Development Consent Order (DCO)</p>

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			<p>Council and as a result these were submitted as drafts with the agreement of the local planning authorities. Conversely, agreement had been reached with LCC on the SoCG (including on the matters not agreed) and the completed SoCG with that authority was submitted at Deadline 1.</p> <p>The Applicant understands that Savills has recently been appointed by LCC to review and provide comment on the SoCG submitted at Deadline 1 and will continue to work proactively with the Council to seek to agree a further SoCG. As the SoCG with LCC had been agreed prior to Deadline 1, the Applicant has both referred to and relied upon its content in the detail of its Deadline 1 and Deadline 2 responses.</p>	
Appendix 31 to Deadline	Marine Management Organisation	Confirmation of the agreements reached through the EIA	A meeting was held on 20 August 2015 to progress the SoCG and discuss issues raised in the MMO's relevant	Marine Physical Environment



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1	(MMO)	evidence plan process and to address matters raised in the Relevant Representation and through discussion with the interested party.	<p>representation. This has been followed up with regular communication and agreement has been reached in the majority of cases, as shown in the draft SoCG submitted for Deadline 1.</p> <p>The draft SoCG, reflects the Applicant's understanding of matters agreed based on discussions with the MMO both pre and post submission of the application.</p> <p>The MMO has not approved the SoCG in its current form, and wish to reserve comment until a revised Development Consent Order and Deemed Marine Licence is submitted into the examination at Deadline 2.</p>	<p>Marine and Intertidal Ornithology</p> <p>Subtidal and Intertidal Ecology</p> <p>Fish and Shellfish Ecology</p> <p>Marine Mammals</p> <p>Offshore Nature Conservation</p> <p>Commercial Fisheries</p> <p>Shipping and Navigation</p> <p>Other Marine Users</p> <p>Marine Historic Environment</p> <p>Draft Development Consent Order (DCO) and Draft Marine Licence (DML)</p>
Appendix 32 to Deadline	Black Sluice Internal Drainage	Confirmation of the agreements reached through the EIA	The Applicant and IBDs have agreed to prepare a joint SoCG. A meeting was held on 31 July 2015 to discuss the	Hydrology and Flood Risk Approach in DCO

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1	Board Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board Witham Fourth District Internal Drainage Board	evidence plan process.	document and agree to the content that ought to be included. Significant progress has been made and a draft SoCG between the Applicant and the IDBs has been submitted to Deadline 1. The Applicant and IDBs discussed the issues further in a teleconference on Friday 23 October and subsequently the Applicant issued an updated SoCG to the IDBs for comment. The Applicant and the IDBs will continue discussions and work toward an agreed SoCG for Deadline 3.	(disapplication to legislative provisions; protective provisions; and land interests)
n/a	National Grid	Protective provisions and land interests for both National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET), National Grid Gas (NGG).	The Applicant has engaged in consultation with National Grid with discussions on the matters raised in their relevant representation and a possible SoCG. The Applicant and National Grid will continue to discuss issues in their relevant representation. The Applicant will update the ExA	Land Agreements Protective Provisions

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			regarding these matters once agreed.	
Appendix 34 to Deadline 1	Marine and Coastguard Agency (MCA)	Shipping and Navigation and relevant Development Consent Order clauses.	The Applicant has engaged in consultation with the MCA with discussions on the matters raised in their relevant representation and a possible SoCG.  A SoCG was submitted for Deadline 1.	Shipping and Navigation  Draft Development Consent Order (DCO)
Appendix 37 to Deadline 1	National Trust	Agreements reached which address matters raised in the Relevant Representation and through discussion with the interested party.	The Applicant has engaged in consultation with the National Trust (NT) and a SoCG is being submitted to Deadline 1, addressing the matters raised in the NT's Relevant Representation.	Working hours Biodiversity enhancement Migrating birds Communications Traffic and Access Historic environment