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Dear Mr Mahon,

**The Planning Act 2008, AQUIND Limited, proposed AQUIND Interconnector Project  
Deadline 1 Response – Notification of wish to make oral representations**

On 6 January 2020, the Marine Management Organisation (the “MMO”) received notice under section 56 of the Planning Act 2008 (the “2008 Act”) that the Planning Inspectorate (“PINS”) had accepted an application made by AQUIND Limited (the “Applicant”) for a development consent order (the “DCO Application”) (MMO ref: DCO/2018/00016; PINS ref: EN020022).

The DCO Application seeks authorisation to construct and operate an electricity interconnector with a net transmission capacity of 2000 megawatts between France and the UK (the “Project”).

The MMO received Rule 8, 9 and 13 letters on 15 September 2020. In response to these letters, the MMO would like to confirm that we wish to make oral representations at the Issue Specific Hearing on the draft Development Consent Order, due to be held on Wednesday 9th December 2020.

The MMO continues to engage with the applicant on a Statement of Common Ground and the current areas of continued discussion can be seen in a tracker document which will be submitted by the applicant. These are the areas that the MMO would like to provide representations on, however we will continue to work with the applicant to come to an agreement, where possible, before the hearing.

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