

Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero
1 Victoria Street
London
SW1H 0ET
United Kingdom

Herbert Smith Freehills LLP
Exchange House
Primrose Street
London EC2A 2EG
T +44 (0)20 7374 8000
F +44 (0)20 7374 0888
D +44 (0)20 2680
DX28 London Chancery Lane
E

Our ref 5567/18857/31049436 Your ref EN020022 Date 28 April 2023

By email to: aquind@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

Dear Sirs

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 Application by AQUIND Limited for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed AQUIND Interconnector (the "AQUIND Interconnector Project")

We are writing to you on behalf of our client AQUIND Limited (the "Applicant") in response to the request for information dated 3 March 2023 from the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero (the "Secretary of State") whereby the Secretary of State requested information relating to the AQUIND Interconnector Project (the "Rfi").

We enclose the following documents under cover of this letter which comprise the Applicant's response to the RfI:

- Applicant's Response to the Rfl
- Planning Statement Addendum
- Needs and Benefits Third Addendum
- Environmental Statement Addendum 3 (including appendices)
- Habitats Regulations Assessment Validity Report (including appendices)
- Schedule of Documents forming the Environmental Statement (Rev 007) Clean and Track Change Versions
- Draft Development Consent Order (Option b(ii) only without commercial telecommunications use), revision 012 (Clean)
- Draft Development Consent Order, (Option b(ii) only without commercial telecommunications use), revision 011 (Track Change)
- Onshore Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (Rev 009) (Clean)
- Onshore Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (Rev 009) (Track Change)

Herbert Smith Freehills LLP and its subsidiaries and Herbert Smith Freehills, an Australian Partnership, are separate member firms of the international legal practice known as Herbert Smith Freehills.

Herbert Smith Freehills LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales with registered number OC310989. It is authorised and regulated by the Solicitors' Regulation Authority of England and Wales. A list of the members and their professional qualifications is open to inspection at the registered office, Exchange House, Primrose Street, London EC2A 2EG. We use the word partner of Herbert Smith Freehills LLP to refer to a member of Herbert Smith Freehills LLP, or an employee or consultant with equivalent standing and qualifications.



Date
28 April 2023
Letter to
Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net
Zero

A summary explanation of the changes made to the Certified Documents listed above is provided within the Applicant's Response to the RfI at paragraphs 5.6 and 7.1 - 7.7.

We trust the documents, and the information provided therein, provide the further information requested by the Secretary of State.

Yours faithfully

Herbert Smith Freehills LLP

Encs.

11/80258005_1