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**Dear Sirs** 

## Application by Chrysaor Production (UK) Limited (the "Applicant") for an Order granting Development Consent for the Viking CCS Pipeline Our Client: Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency ("DVSA") Responses to First Written Questions (ExQ1)

We act for DVSA, an Interested Party, in this matter.

Further to the Rule 8 letter received by DVSA, dated 3 April 2024, we set out below DVSA's responses to the First Written Questions:

Question		DVSA response
1.5.23	Is DVSA, as an Interested Party, aware of any inaccuracies in the BoR [AS-015] SoR [AS-103] or Land Plans [AS-016]?	DVSA has reviewed these documents and is not aware of any inaccuracies.
1.9.3	Is DVSA, as an Interested Party, content that the Applicant has used an appropriate methodology and guidance to inform the assessments and calculation of effects' significance in ES chapter 6 [APP-048, Paragraph 6.4.9]?	DVSA has no comment.
1.15.9	Relocation Negotiations: It appears that DVSA will need to relocate [RR-030]. What is the latest position concerning an alternative site?	In discussions with the Applicant's agent, it has been confirmed to DVSA that every effort will be made to route the pipeline outside DVSA's site so that DVSA does not need to relocate.
		The operations carried out by DVSA on their site are fundamental for the enforcement of roadway laws. It is therefore essential for the

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continuity of DVSA's operations that any alternative site is situated in close proximity to major roadways, is suitably accessible for vehicular access, and is fit for purpose in terms of size and layout to enable DVSA to assess vehicles.
DVSA are continuing to negotiate with the Applicant on terms for documents that will facilitate relocation where it is absolutely necessary. However, it is becoming apparent that it is highly unlikely that a suitable alternative site which enables DVSA to continue to deliver on its operations can be found and DVSA opposes any potential pipeline route that will result in its relocation.

## Yours faithfully

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