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Dear Sir or Madam,

## **Planning Act 2008 - Application by National Highways for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Lower Thames Crossing**

### **Deadline 5 Submission**

On the 28 November 2022, the Marine Management Organisation (“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 National Highways (the “Applicant”) for determination of a Development Consent Order for the construction, operation and maintenance of the proposed Lower Thames Crossing (the “DCO Application”).

The MMO have reviewed the information submitted at Deadline 4, and the information that is requested at Deadline 5. The MMO currently have no comments to make at this Deadline. However, we are currently considering the points raised during discussions with the applicant in their Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) and will provide an update in due course.



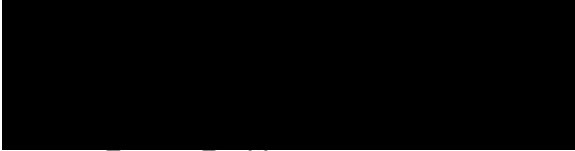
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This written response is submitted without prejudice to any future representation the MMO may make about the Application throughout the examination process. This response is also submitted without prejudice to any decision the MMO may make on any associated application for consent, permission, approval or any other type of authorisation submitted to the MMO either for the works in the marine area or for any other authorisation relevant to the proposed development.

Yours faithfully,



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