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To all Interested Parties

Our Ref: TR030001

Date: 25 September 2012

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Dear Sir/Madam

**APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT CONSENT BY ABLE HUMBER PORTS LTD FOR THE PROPOSED ABLE MARINE ENERGY PARK**

**NOTIFICATION OF ACCOMPANIED SITE VISITS (LAND AND MARINE) RULE 16 EXAMINATION PROCEDURE RULES**

I am writing to you as lead member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors to provide you with notice of accompanied site visits to be carried out in respect of the Able Marine Energy Park proposal.

The purpose of these site visits is to allow the Panel to see particular locations to which there has been reference in evidence so that the Panel has a better understanding of these locations, their significance and their context.

For both site visits transport will be provided. Due however to space limitations Interested Parties will be restricted to a maximum of two spaces per party; where possible we would encourage you to take up one space. Enclosed with this letter is a list of those parties whom the Panel would wish to attend each of the site visits.

I would remind you that the site visits are not to be considered as 'mobile hearings' and the Panel will not be taking any evidence during the site visits. You will be permitted to identify points of fact e.g. landmarks and to answer questions of clarification asked by the Panel. The Panel will travel in a separate vehicle for the land visits.

**Land Site Visit - Tuesday 23 October 2012**

The land site visit will view both the main development site on the south bank of the River Humber and the proposed compensation sites on the north bank at Cherry Cobb Sands. Due to the distance between these sites and the fact that not all parties will wish to attend both we have decided to split the visit and have indicated two separate start times.

*Main Site (south bank) – 08.30 registration for 09.00 start at the Humber Royal Hotel, Littlecoates Rd Grimsby DN34 4LX*

This site visit will view the main development site and include access to the sea wall via Station Road and Haven Road from Rosper Road and private roads within the site. The Panel will also view land identified by statutory undertakers as it relates to their apparatus and proposals for rail head-shunt facilities.

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If you only wish to attend this portion of the site visit we would suggest that you either make arrangements to return to the Humber Royal Hotel at the end of the visit or travel separately, as the main transport will continue straight to Cherry Cobb Sands.

*Compensation Sites (north bank) – 14.15 registration for 14.30 start at Cherry Cobb Sands Road (GR235181)*

This site visit will view Cherry Cobb Sands and the surrounding area including Stone Creek, sluices and drains. For those parties who attended the morning visit transport will return to the Humber Royal Hotel.

### **Marine Site Visit – Wednesday 24 October 2012**

*08.30 registration for 09.00 start at the Humber Royal Hotel, Littlecoates Rd Grimsby DN34 4LX*

The Panel confirms that it would assist understanding of the proposals to conduct a marine site visit covering both sides of the river. You will appreciate that the size of the vessel available requires the numbers of those attending to be strictly limited. We therefore encourage you to consider carefully whether you need to attend based on the issues that you have raised during the examination process. Transport will be provided to and from the launching point.

### **Further details**

In order to ensure the smooth running of these visits we ask you to confirm the following information:

- Name of attendee(s) and organisation/person you are representing (maximum two people per Interested Party);
- Interested Party reference number;
- Mobile contact details to be used on the day if required;
- The visit(s) you wish to attend (where this is the morning session of the Land Site Visit please indicate whether you will travel separately).

**Please ensure that this information is forwarded to us, for the attention of Mike Harris (Case Manager) by noon on Friday 5 October 2012.** Where possible it would assist if you could confirm this by email to the address above and you should clearly mark the subject as "Attendance at Site Visits". If you have any special requirements including relating to access please also confirm these as soon as possible.

If you believe there are other sites or vistas which it would be beneficial for the Panel to view please include these with your response by the above date. Those parties confirming their attendance will be advised of the proposed view points prior to the visit.

Yours faithfully

*Robert Upton*

**Lead member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors**

Advice may be given about applying for an order granting development consent or making representations about an application (or a proposed application). This communication does not however constitute legal advice upon which you can rely and you should obtain your own legal advice and professional advice as required.

A record of the advice which is provided will be recorded on the Planning Inspectorate website together with the name of the person or organisation who asked for the advice. The privacy of any other personal information will be protected in accordance with our Information Charter which you should view before sending information to the Planning Inspectorate.

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## **Annex – Parties which the Panel requests to attend**

### *Land Site Visit – Main Site*

Able Humber Ports Ltd  
Associated British Ports  
C.GEN  
C.RO  
Centrica  
E.ON  
Environment Agency  
Harbour Master, Humber  
Marine Management Organisation  
Natural England  
Network Rail  
North East Lincolnshire Council  
North Lincolnshire Council  
RSPB

### *Land Site Visit – Compensation Site*

Able Humber Ports Ltd  
The Crown Estate  
East Riding of Yorkshire Council  
Environment Agency  
Internal Drainage Boards  
Marine Management Organisation  
Natural England  
RSPB  
Mrs Sally Osgerby  
Mr Stephen Kirkwood  
Stone Creek Boat Club (Mr Simon Taylor)

### *Marine Site Visit*

Able Humber Ports Ltd  
Associated British Ports  
C.GEN  
C.RO  
Environment Agency  
Harbour Master, Humber  
Marine Management Organisation  
Natural England  
North Lincolnshire Council  
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