

Lancaster House Newcastle Business Park Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 7YH T +44 (0)300 123 1032 info@marinemanagement.org.uk www.gov.uk/mmo

Able Marine Energy Park Material Change 2 Case Team National Infrastructure Planning
AbleMarineEnergyPark@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

By email only

MMO Reference: DCO/2013/00020 Planning Inspectorate Reference: TR030006

06 January 2022

Dear Sir or Madam,

Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning Regulations - Application by Able Humber Ports Ltd for a Material Change to the Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order 2014

## **Deadline 2 Submission**

On 29 September 2021, the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) received notice under Planning Act 2008 that the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) had accepted an application made by Able Humber Ports Ltd (Applicant) for determination of a Material Change 2 to the development consent order (DCO) for the construction and operation of Able Marine Energy Park (The Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order 2014) (MMO ref: DCO/2013/00020; PINS ref: TR030006).

The Applicant seeks authorisation for a Material Change 2 to the Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order 2014. This will consist of the following changes:

- a realignment of the proposed quay (within its existing limits of deviation) to remove a berth pocket at the southern end and introduce a setback at the northern end;
- changes to the construction methodology to allow the relieving slab at the rear of the
  quay to be at the surface as an alternative to being buried or to be omitted altogether,
  and the use of anchor piles as an alternative to flap anchors;
- · consequential changes to dredging; and
- unrelated to the quay changes, the realignment of a footpath diversion to the north west of the site to go round the end of a railway track instead of crossing it

The MMO received a Notification of Procedural Decisions, Examination Timetable and procedure on 20 December 2021 which noted the publication of the Applicant's proposed



...ambitious for our seas and coasts



change to the construction sequence together with accompanying plans. In response to this letter, the MMO submits the following within Annex 1:

1. Comments on Applicant's proposed change to construction sequence.

Yours faithfully
Katherine Blakey Marine Licensing Case Officer  @marinemanagement.org.uk
Copies of Deadline 2response have been sent to:  Adam Tillotson (MMO Case Manager) – @marinemanagement.org.uk Chris Turner (MMO Senior Case Manager) – @marinemanagement.org.uk AMEP MC2 Project Team (Able Humber Ports Limited) - amepmc2@ableuk.com Richard Cram (Engineering Director) - @ableuk.com Annette Hewitson (Environment Agency Principal Planning Adviser) - @environment-agency.gov.uk

Lauren Forecast (Natural England Advisor) -



@naturalengland.org.uk

## Annex 1

## 1. Comments on Applicant's proposed change to construction sequence

1.1 The MMO do not currently have any comments on the proposed change to the construction sequence, however, we reserve the right to submit a subsequent representation on this change at a later deadline. This is to allow for us to consult with our scientific advisors on the HR Wallingford document on modelling of sediment plume dispersion from AMEP Construction activities.

