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Your Ref:

Our Ref: TR030007

Date: 12 January 2024

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Dear Mr van der Vlugt

## **The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) – Rule 17**

### **Application by Associated British Ports for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal Project**

#### **Request for further information**

In connection with the above mentioned Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project application, we are writing under Rule 17 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) making the following requests for further information.

In connection with the holding of navigational simulations held on 13/14 December 2023 IOT Operators has commented in paragraph 18 of Examination document [\[REP8-057\]](#):

*“During the course of the simulations in December a Stena Master refused to continue with the runs as he stated that he would never operate in greater than 20 knots of wind or 2.5knots of tide - the run proved to be a failure. The IOT Operators note that there appears to be different operational parameters used between ABP the Applicant and Stena the proposed users of the IERRT facility which have not been set out to enable the ExA or affected parties to consider them. ...”*

In connection with the operation of the proposed berths:

- Comment on the participation of Stena Line’s masters during the course of the December navigational simulations, most particularly 1) the decision of any master to discontinue participating in the simulations and 2) the experience of any such master of navigating within the Port of Immingham and any other port on the Humber; and

- confirm what operational parameters Stena Line masters would apply to the use of three proposed berths and in that regard comment on any differences that there might be between the approach of Stena Line and the Applicant.

Responses should be submitted by **Deadline 10 (23:59 on Thursday January 2024)**. With there being a limited amount of time between Deadline 9 (15 January 2024) and the issuing of this letter there is potential for the ExA's requests for further information to be addressed in any submissions you are intending to make at Deadline 9. To avoid unnecessary duplication, it will be in order to simply make a cross reference to any Deadline 9 submission that addresses any of the ExA's requests for further information included in this letter.

Yours sincerely

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**Lead Member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors**

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