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Our Ref: EN010080

The Marine Management Organisation ("MMO") Natural England Joint Nature Conservation Committee ("JNCC")

cc: Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited

Date: 3 December 2021

Dear Sir or Madam,

## HORNSEA THREE OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER 2020 (AS AMENDED) ("the Order")

## SUBMISSION OF SANDBANKS IMPLEMENTATION PLANS UNDER PART 2 OF SCHEDULE 14 TO THE ORDER

- On 1 December 2021, Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited ("the Applicant") submitted Sandbank Implementation Plans ("the Plans") to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy ("the Secretary of State") under Part 2 of Schedule 14 to the Order.
- The Plans have been published on the Hornsea Project Three Offshore Wind Farm project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website: <a href="https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/hornsea-project-three-offshore-wind-farm/">https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/hornsea-project-three-offshore-wind-farm/</a>
- 3. The Secretary of State now invites comments from **the MMO**, **Natural England**, **and the JNCC** on the Plans, in accordance with paragraph 14 of Part 2 of Schedule 14 to the Order.
- 4. Comments should be submitted by email only to:
  HornseaProjectThree@planninginspectorate.gov.uk by 23.59 on 7 January 2022.
- 5. Responses will be published on the Hornsea Project Three Offshore Wind Farm project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website as soon as possible after **7 January 2022**.

6. This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's consideration of whether to approve the Plans. Nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what the eventual decision might be or what final conclusions the Secretary of State may reach on any particular issue.

Yours faithfully

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