

### **Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited**

Non-Material Change Application
Consultation and Publicity Statement



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#### **Consultation and Publicity Statement**

#### **SECTION 153 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008**

CONSULTATION AND PUBLICITY STATEMENT UNDER REGULATION 7A OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (CHANGES TO, AND REVOCATION OF, DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDERS) REGULATIONS 2011 ("THE 2011 REGULATIONS")

THE HORNSEA THREE OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER 2020 (SI 2020/1656) AS CORRECTED BY THE HORNSEA THREE OFFSHORE WIND FARM (CORRECTION) ORDER 2021 (SI 2021/599) AND AMENDED BY THE HORNSEA THREE OFFSHORE WIND FARM (AMENDMENT) ORDER 2023 (SI 2023/459) ("THE ORDER")

- Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited ("Orsted") (company number 08584210) of registered office 5 Howick Place, London, England, SW1P 1WG applied to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero (the "SoS") for consent to make a non-material change to the Order under Section 153 and paragraph 2 of Schedule 6 to the Planning Act 2008 (the "PA 2008"), on 4 January 2024 (the "Application").
- 2. This document constitutes Orsted's consultation and publicity statement pursuant to Regulation 7A of the 2011 Regulations.
- 3. A copy of the notice published under Regulation 6 of the 2011 Regulations (the "**Notice**") is enclosed at Appendix A.
- 4. Orsted confirms that:
  - 4.1. As required under Regulation 6(1) of the 2011 Regulations, it published the Notice in each of the Eastern Daily Press, the Norwich Evening News, the North Norfolk News, Lloyd's List and the Fishing News on the following dates:
    - 4 January 2024; and
    - 11 January 2024.
  - 4.2. Copies of extracts from each of the Eastern Daily Press, the Norwich Evening News, the North Norfolk News, Lloyd's List and the Fishing News are enclosed at Appendix B.
- 5. Regulation 7(2) of the 2011 Regulations requires Orsted to notify and consult those persons specified in the 2011 Regulations, this being all those who were notified (in accordance with section 56 of the PA 2008) when the application for the Order was accepted by the SoS, as well as any other person who may be directly affected by the changes proposed in the Application. However, Regulation 7(3) of the 2011 Regulations also provides that Orsted need not consult a person or authority specified in the 2011 Regulations if they have the written consent of the SoS not to do so. Following the appropriate request from Orsted on 20 October 2023, the SoS confirmed on 29 November 2023 that the list of consultees for the Application could be narrowed to those listed in Appendix C (the "Consultees").
- 6. Orsted sent the Notice to the Consultees by post and email on 4 January 2024. Appendix D provides the covering letters and the Notice as sent to the Consultees.
- 7. The deadline specified for representations to be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate was 11.59pm on 12 February 2024. Orsted notes that the copy of the Notice published for the first time in the above newspapers on 4 January 2024 gave a deadline of 9 February 2024 for representations. This deadline was corrected to 12 February 2024 in the copy of the Notice published for the second time in the above newspapers on 11 January 2024, in order to align with the time period given to



the Consultees and the SoS. In any event, all consultees had more than 28 days from date of receipt and/or final publication of the Notice to submit representations.

8. The Application documents have been made available to view on the Planning Inspectorate's website (https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/hornsea-project-three-offshore-wind-farm/?ipcsection=docs). The Notice also invited recipients unable to access the website to request hard copies of the documents at the cost of £20 per copy.



# Appendix A Copy of the published Regulation 6 Notice

#### ORSTED HORNSEA PROJECT THREE (UK) LIMITED

SECTION 153 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND REGULATION 6 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (CHANGES TO, AND REVOCATION OF, DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDERS)
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Please note that representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by 11.59pm on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

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4 January 2024



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Eastern Daily Press (11 January 2024)

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# Norwich link to Suffolk murder

Connection to notorious gang killing The trial of two teenagers accused of murdering a 17-year-old in the centre of Ipswich has heard how the case is linked to a notorious gang murder in Norwich.

Alfie Hammett, 19, and Joshua Howell, 18, have been charged with the murder of Raymond James Quigley, from Wymondham, who was

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stabbed to death in the

Suffolk town last January.
Yesterday, their trial was told of connections with the murder of Joe Dix, 18, who was stabbed to death on the streets of Norwich, exactly 12 months earlier.

The court heard that both Mr Dix and Hammett

were members of Norwich were members of Norwich gang the Third Side, while Mr Quigley was a member of rival Norwich gang On The Money, members of which were convicted of Mr Dix's murder.

During a police search of Hammett's bedroom after he was arrested in connection with Mr Quigley's murder, officers found an order of service

for a memorial for Mr Dix. There was also a picture of Hammett on a phone which showed him on Vale

Green, the street in Mile Cross where Mr Dix was killed which has become a memorial site for him. Hammett and Howell

deny murder. The case continues.

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#### Taylor Wimpey

In March 2022, Taylor Wimpey submitted an outline planning application to develop the former airfield, North Rackheath.

Following feedback from the local community and key stakeholders in autumn 2023, further refinements to the masterplan have been made.

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11 January 2024

#### PROBATE & Trustee

# WENDY ELIZABETH BELLWARD (Deceased) Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 any persons having a claim against or an interest in the Estate of the above named, alse of 31 Bousdwalers Read, Lowestolt, NR39 BHU, who died on 25 102023, are required to send written particulars thread to the undestigned on or before 120/32024, after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice. Jack Ellmood, 37 Claydon Drive, Lowestolt NR32 3DZ WENDY ELIZABETH BELLWARD

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Norwich Evening News (4 January 2024)



# Fears were raised over crash road

Call for changes to dangerous crossing



The road where a woman was hit by a car on Christmas Eve had already been highlighted as dangerous, the *Evening News* can

The woman remains in Addenbrooke's Hospital with "serious injuries" following the incident in Holt Road.

Now it has emerged Norfolk County Council was made aware of fears about the safety of the road.

Councillor Tony Adams, left,

#### WILLIAM WARNES

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said: "There have been a number of very close calls but – until Chrismas Eve – no serious accidents.

"Nothing has been done. I think the county council should reconsider this."

A council spokesman confirmed discussions had taken place.

Full story: Page 4







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# Knife gang's rampage at house pa

Teenager dodges long-stretch inside



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The 10-strong gang stormed the teenage party and nabbed phones, expensive trainers and a games console.

But yesterday one of the thugs escaped a lengthy spell inside when the judge said it would do Harry Winter, 18, more harm than good.
Instead Winter – *left*, who was

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North Norfolk News (4 January 2024)





# Honours joy for inspiring set of heroes

Community and sporting stars praised



A firefighter, a football star and a charity founder from our region have been recognised in the King's New Year Honours list.

Stalham firefighter Geoff Lowe was awarded a British Empire Medal for services to the community. England Lioness Lauren Hemp, who grew up in

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North Norfolk District Council wants to increase the cost of a seven-day ticket at 10 car parks across three

The hike is to stop drivers

GEORGE THOMPSON

gaming the system and

exploiting a flaw where the authority allows anyone with a weekly ticket to park at any of the council's car parks even those along the coast where the charge is higher.
Currently, the council

charges £24 for a week in North Walsham, Stalham and Fakenham but £34 in tourist areas, such as Cromer.

Now its cabinet has agreed to level the cost in all areas as part of a review of fees and charges.

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NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 15 PLANNING (LISTED BUILDING AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990

HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that North Norfolk District Council is dealing

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Mr Martyn Fulcher, Director for Place and Climate Change

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# Dark fleet operator Radiating World Shipping Services moves to evade UK sanctions



ONE OF THE world's largest dark fleet\* tanker operators and shipmanagers, Radiating World Shipping Services LLC, is moving more tankers to a newly formed company to avoid UK sanctions.

The Dubai-based company, along with another related company that was also sanctioned, Star Voyages Shipping Services, quickly amassed a fleet of around 26 elderly tankers over 2022 and 2023 to ship Russian oil.

Radiating World is now showing as having just four tankers remaining under commercial management. Star Voyages Shipping Services has only one of six tankers left, *Ocean Faye* (IMO: 9321689), shipping databases show.

Eleven days after the UK government sanctioned Radiating World Shipping Services on December 6, the company shifted commercial and shipmanagement of four tankers to One Moon Marine Services LLC.

These tankers were *Sea Fidelity* (IMO: 9285835), *Swiftsea Rider* (IMO: 9318539), *Ocean Amz* (IMO: 9394935) and *Fast Kathy* (IMO: 9408205).

Other vessels were shifted to Alqutb Ashamali Marine Services and Breath Shipping Services during November, weeks before sanctions were implemented.

In all cases the single-ship company of registered ownership did not change and tankers remain flagged with the Cook Islands. This suggests that beneficial ownership remains the same.

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### Owners can now refuse Red Sea orders, barristers believe



THE THREAT TO shipping in the Red Sea has now reached a pitch at which many owners can likely refuse orders under standard BIMCO charterparty clauses, according to maritime law experts.

The development comes as attacks on shipping in the key waterway — essential for vessels using the Suez Canal either way — have escalated dramatically in recent days, with US and UK naval forces deployed under Operation Prosperity Guardian shooting down 18 Houthi drones on Tuesday night.

The issue remains a judgement call, with several leading law firms declining to comment on the record, as they wish to retain freedom to take cases either way.

Most lawyers believe that the situation is obviously at a point where owners have a credible case if they consider it too risky to make the trip.

But this is not cut and dry, they stressed, and sources indicated that disagreements between owners and charterers are already happening.

Some owners have instructed shipping specialist KCs to prepare legal opinions that they have the right to reroute, Lloyd's List understands.

Parts of the Red Sea have long been classified as war risk areas by the Joint War Committee of the Lloyd's and London companies markets, thereby attracting additional premiums, and the waters so designated were extended last month.

In charterparty terms, standard war risk clauses such as the Conwartime clauses seen in many dry bulk contracts or the Voywar

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# Two new cats join UK fleet Brighton trip for minister

2023 saw the delivery of two catamarans from the Gerry Smyth yard in Kilkeel to the opposite ends of the UK. Welcomed into Newlyn by

Welcomed into Newlyn by a totally unexpected surprise purpose opportune proprised, family and bottles of champage, the lines New SE2, 6, built for Cornish fisherman Will Teneer, arrived on the Wednesday before Christmas, after a 30-hour steam. "The box is a bear," the rold FN. "We were pushing through a force six to seven for a while, and in follow throus before our fires."

force six to seven for a while, and it didn't stop us having our first Christmas dimer!"

Lit up and suitahly decorated with flags, the new arrival was christened with champagne before the guests were treated to a tour of the boat, which is expected to start ring-netting in the first week in hunuar. in January. Meanwhile, in Orkney,

Galathea K 112, for Paul and Adam Tulloch, was starting work (see page 5). A full report on the two new

edition of FN.





vessels will be featured in a future AGalathea, the other Smyth cat to be delivered in the past few

efra fisheries minister Mark Spencer made a visit to the inshore fleet in Brighton shortly before Christmas, to lished to learn', as the purit to one of the fishermen he spoke to. Attending with staff from both Defa and the MMO, he discussed a rannon of issues for inshores

Defra and the MMO, he discussed a range of issues for inshore fishermen, ranging from continued concerns about the ML5 and the MCA's under 15m safety code to issues with IFCA byelaws and the

pollack fishery in 2024.

The minister said: "I'm delighted to be in Brighton to hear about the challenges and opportunities in

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Fisheries minister Mark Spencer speaking to Nigel Sayers, skipper of the Result SM 80 and a local champion of fishing gear recycling – another of the subjects that the minister discussed during his visit.

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# Stormy start to new year



Avrella braved Shetland gales to land good trips either side of the New Year. (Photo: Ivan Asid)

ISH AUCTIONS and crews wanting to take advantage of early demand and East shortly after Christmas week, putting 300 boxes of willing to trade Hogmanay at were forced to alternate prime into Cullivoe on 30 willing to trade Hogmanay at were forced to alternate home in the warmth for a good between fishing and dodging December, and then another start to the year.

winter snow in the north of pressure systems swept ventured out in the North through the worst of the However, gales - and storms, as a series of low-

restarted last Wednesday, Scotland - did get in the way 3 January, with a good of plans by some skippers the New Year week. showing of quality fish to gain a really solid start to The Shetland vessel from those vessel owners 2024. The few vessels that Avrella LK 174 endured even wilder weather earlier that 350 boxes into Lerwick itself on 3 January.

## Sculpture in nod to seafood saga



▲ Jim Malcolm's lobster sculpture on the shore at Stonehaven. (Photo: Seafood Bothy)

sculpture that pays a cheeky the talk of the town.
homage to a controversial Contin
seatood saga has been
unveiled in Stonehaven. Local sculptor and fisherma Jim Malcolm took inspiration for his lobster artwork from the unlikely source of a council

meeting, which quickly became





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Name of Consultee	Classification under Section 56 of the Planning Act 2008
Joint Nature Conservation Committee	s.42(1)(a) and s.56(2)(a)
Natural England	s.42(1)(a) and s.56(2)(a)
The Crown Estate	s.42(1)(a) and s.56(2)(a)
Marine Management Organisation	s.42(1)(aa) and s.56(2)(a)
Royal Society for the Protection of Birds	N/A (non-prescribed consultee)
Norfolk Wildlife Trust	s.42(1)(d)
Wildlife Trusts	N/A (non-prescribed consultee)
Norfolk Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group	N/A (non-prescribed consultee)



# **Appendix D** Covering Letters and Regulation 6 Notice issued to Consultees



#### BY RECORDED DELIVERY AND EMAIL

Joint Nature Conservation Committee Quay House 2 East Station Road, Fletton Quays, Peterborough PE2 8YY

4 January 2024

Dear Lise, Julie, Danni

HORNSEA THREE OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER 2020 - NON-MATERIAL CHANGE APPLICATION

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On 12 January 2023, Orsted made an application for a non-material change ("NMC1") to the Original Order, the focus of which was to shorten the length of time the ANS need to be in place before operation, to allow time for necessary rights for the construction of the ANS to be obtained without impacting the programme for the operation of Hornsea Three and its provision of renewable energy to the National Grid.

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4 January 2024



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29 November 2023

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Yours sincerely,



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Yours sincerely,



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Head of Energy Infrastructure Planning Delivery

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4 January 2024



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29 November 2023

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# REQUEST FOR CONSENT TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PARTIES THAT NEED TO BE CONSULTED ON A NON-MATERIAL CHANGE APPLICATION

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three of the artificial nest structures and no final commissioning of the authorised development must take place until the fourth artificial nest structure has been implemented. For the purposes of this paragraph each breeding season is assumed to have commenced on 1 March in each year and ended on 30 September."

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- 6. The Secretary of State is satisfied that the eight consultees proposed by the Applicant for consultation as listed at paragraph 3 above should be consulted, noting the nature of the proposed changes as set out at paragraph 2 above.
- 7. In respect of the Application, the Secretary of State considers that those other consultees identified in the list sent on 23 November 2023 and not included in the Applicant's list as set out at paragraph 3 above need not be consulted as they are not directly affected, either because the proposed amendments will not affect their interests or because their interests relate to a different part of the scheme.
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Yours sincerely,



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On behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero



BY RECORDED DELIVERY AND EMAIL

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ORSTED HORNSEA PROJECT THREE (UK) LIMITED

**4 January 2024** 



Amy Stirling
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29 November 2023

Dear Ms Stirling,

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

PROPOSED NON-MATERIAL CHANGE APPLICATION NUMBER TWO ("the Application")

# REQUEST FOR CONSENT TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PARTIES THAT NEED TO BE CONSULTED ON A NON-MATERIAL CHANGE APPLICATION

- 1. Thank you for your letter of 20 October 2023 on behalf of Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited ("the Applicant"), which sets out proposals for changes to the Order. The letter requests the Secretary of State's consent under regulation 7(3) of the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011 (as amended) ("the 2011 Regulations") to a reduced list of consultees.
- 2. Paragraph 2.5 of the 20 October 2023 letter states that the changes that will comprise the Application are as follows:

Delete the existing paragraph 3(c) of Part 1 of Schedule 14 of the Amended Order and insert the following new text as a new paragraph 3(c):

"an implementation timetable for delivery of four artificial nest structures that ensures all necessary compensation measures are in place to allow three full kittiwake breeding seasons in respect of three artificial nest structures prior to the operation of any turbine forming part of the authorised development, and for the fourth artificial nest structure to be delivered prior to final commissioning of the authorised development."

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"The undertaker must implement the measures as set out in the KIMP approved by the Secretary of State and no operation of any turbine forming part of the authorised development may be commenced until three full breeding seasons have elapsed from the implementation of

three of the artificial nest structures and no final commissioning of the authorised development must take place until the fourth artificial nest structure has been implemented. For the purposes of this paragraph each breeding season is assumed to have commenced on 1 March in each year and ended on 30 September."

- 3. The list of consultees proposed by the Applicant is:
  - 1) the Marine Management Organisation;
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  - 8) the Norfolk Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group.
- 4. Paragraph 3.2 of the 20 October 2023 letter states that "taking a proportionate approach, only the same consultees as were consulted on NMC1 should be consulted on the NMC2 application given the nature of the change is substantially the same, and in light of the Secretary of State's agreement to those proposed consultees for NMC1 in his letter of 21 December 2022. The Applicant will also publicise the application in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) 2011."
- 5. On 20 November 2023, the Secretary of State requested that the Applicant provide a full list of section 42, section 56, section 57 (under the Planning Act 2008) and non-prescribed consultees, to be accompanied by the rationale for including or excluding each identified party. On 23 November 2023, the Applicant provided the list as requested.
- 6. The Secretary of State is satisfied that the eight consultees proposed by the Applicant for consultation as listed at paragraph 3 above should be consulted, noting the nature of the proposed changes as set out at paragraph 2 above.
- 7. In respect of the Application, the Secretary of State considers that those other consultees identified in the list sent on 23 November 2023 and not included in the Applicant's list as set out at paragraph 3 above need not be consulted as they are not directly affected, either because the proposed amendments will not affect their interests or because their interests relate to a different part of the scheme.
- 8. Accordingly, under regulation 7(3) of the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011, the Secretary of State consents to the reduced list of consultees as specified in the paragraphs above.
- 9. In taking this decision, the Secretary of State notes that there will also be public consultation in line with the requirements in regulation 6 of the 2011 Regulations.
- 10. The Secretary of State's written consent in this matter should not be taken as indicating approval for any other aspects of the proposed changes to the Order,

which fall to her for consideration and determination, or whether the proposed changes will ultimately be regarded as material or not.

Yours sincerely,



John Wheadon

**Head of Energy Infrastructure Planning Delivery** 

On behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero



#### BY RECORDED DELIVERY AND EMAIL

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4 January 2024

Dear Clarke

HORNSEA THREE OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER 2020 - NON-MATERIAL CHANGE APPLICATION

SECTION 153 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND REGULATION 7 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (CHANGES TO, AND REVOCATION OF, DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDERS) REGULATIONS 2011

The enclosed Notice relates to a 'non-material change' application (the "application") being made to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero for the Hornsea Three Offshore Wind Farm Order 2020 (as corrected by the Hornsea Three Offshore Wind Farm (Correction) Order 2021 (the "Original Order") by Orsted Hornsea Project Three (UK) Limited ("Orsted"). We act for Orsted in relation to the application.

The Original Order includes provision authorising the acquisition for the purpose of the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of the Hornsea Project Three offshore wind farm together with associated offshore and onshore infrastructure and all associated development ("Hornsea Three"), on land within the former Hornsea Zone in the North Sea approximately 121 kilometres to the northeast of the north Norfolk coast and approximately 10 kilometres west of the median line between UK and Netherland waters covering an area of approximately 696 square kilometres. Hornsea Three comprises the following elements: up to 231 wind turbines; up to three offshore accommodation platforms; up to twelve offshore transformer substations; up to six subsea offshore High Voltage Alternating Current ("HVAC") booster stations; up to four surface offshore HVAC booster stations; subsea inter-array electrical circuits; a marine connection to shore; a foreshore connection and an onshore connection (comprising up to six export cable circuits and other associated infrastructure) to an onshore substation (which could also include an onshore HVAC booster station sited along the route); and the connection from there to National Grid's existing Norwich Main substation.

The Original Order required Orsted to construct four artificial nesting structures ("ANS") for kittiwake along the English east coast, as a compensation measure for the potential impacts of Hornsea. Paragraph 3(c) of Part 1 of Schedule 14 of the Original Order required four structures to be in place four full breeding seasons before Hornsea Three becomes operational.

On 12 January 2023, Orsted made an application for a non-material change ("NMC1") to the Original Order, the focus of which was to shorten the length of time the ANS need to be in place before operation, to allow time for necessary rights for the construction of the ANS to be obtained without impacting the programme for the operation of Hornsea Three and its provision of renewable energy to the National Grid.

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On 17 April 2023, the Secretary of State made the Hornsea Three Offshore Wind Farm (Amendment) Order 2023 (S.I. 2023 No. 459) (the "Amended Order"), granting NMC1 and reducing the time period the ANS need to be in place before operation of Hornsea Three.

Since the making of the Amended Order, three of the four required ANS have been constructed. Construction of the fourth ANS has not yet commenced.

Orsted proposes a second non-material change to the Amended Order, which seeks to remove the length of time the fourth ANS needs to be in place before operation. This non-material change is required to allow time for necessary rights for the construction of the fourth ANS to be obtained without impacting the programme for the operation of Hornsea Three and to meet the urgent need for decarbonisation and security of supply ("NMC2"). Three of the four ANS have already been implemented, and the drafting has been updated to reflect this, to allow for three breeding seasons for three of the structures.

Preliminary discussions on NMC2 have taken place between Orsted and Natural England ("NE"), with NE expressing in principle support for NMC2 at the Offshore Ornithological Engagement Group ("OOEG") Steering Group meeting held on 10 October 2023, with the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds ("RSPB") seeking clarity on the drafting which Orsted has sought to reflect in the wording at paragraph 3.1 of Appendix 1 to this letter. The changes are needed to ensure that the appropriate and agreed kittiwake compensation measures are reflected in the Amended Order, so that construction and implementation of the Amended Order is in accordance with its conditions. No other changes are proposed to the Amended Order.

The Applicant remains committed to delivering the most ecologically suitable ANS for the purposes of its habitats compensation. To achieve this aim, the Applicant requires flexibility in timing of delivery of the final ANS to avoid unnecessarily delaying the provision of renewable energy from Hornsea Three.

The Applicant has made great strides towards delivering the required kittiwake compensation, with three of the four required ANS already having been constructed.

The Applicant is seeking the amendments proposed in this non-material change application, to provide necessary contingency in the Hornsea Three programme to deliver the final ANS.

## Consultation

Before a decision can be made by the Secretary of State, Orsted must consult with various persons in accordance with the requirements of the Infrastructure Planning (Changes to, and Revocation of, Development Consent Orders) Regulations 2011 (the "2011 Regulations").

You have been identified as a consultee for the purposes of Regulation 7(2) of the 2011 Regulations. In addition, we draw your attention to the Regulation 7(3) notice published by the Secretary of State on 29 November 2023, enclosed with this letter.

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As set out in the Notice, the consultation ends on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024. Therefore, the deadline for receipt of your views about the application is **11:59pm on 12**<sup>th</sup> February **2024**.

## Yours faithfully



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## Enclosures:

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## ORSTED HORNSEA PROJECT THREE (UK) LIMITED

SECTION 153 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND REGULATION 6 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (CHANGES TO, AND REVOCATION OF, DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDERS)
REGULATIONS 2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO MAKE A NON-MATERIAL CHANGE TO THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER:

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