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Our Ref: EN010115

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Dear Sirs

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

Application by Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm Limited for an order granting development consent for the Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm project

Request for further information

We are writing under Rule 17 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended).

The Examining Authority (ExA) issued its Report on the Implications for European Sites (RIES) on 3 February 2025. The RIES can be accessed via the link below.

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/ipc/uploads/projects/EN010115/EN010115-001418-Five%20Estuaries%20RIES%20Final.pdf>

The RIES considers the case made by the Applicant under The Conservation of Habitats Regulations and Species Regulations 2017 (the Habitats Regulations), together with relevant submissions made Interested Parties during the Examination up to Deadline 5 (10 January 2025).

Pursuant to the statutory duties under Regulation 63(3) of the Habitats Regulations and Regulation 28(4) of the Conservation of Offshore Marine Habitats and Species Regulations 2017, the ExA is providing you the opportunity to submit any written comments you may have relating to the contents of the RIES.

Responses should be submitted by Examination **Deadline 7 (3 March 2025)**.

Yours sincerely

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Lead Member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors

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