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Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm Project – Deadline 8

Dear Mr Johansson,

Further to the Rule 8 letter issued by the Examining Authority (ExA) on 25 September 2024 [PD-009], we (as the Applicant) have submitted the documents listed below for the ExA's attention for Deadline 8.

Given the late stage in the Examination, below we have included details of each of the updated and additional documents submitted to aid the ExA in understanding the reason for each submission.

Document	Reason for submission
1.3 Guide to the Application – Revision L (Tracked and Clean)	Updating the guide to reflect the Deadline 8 documents, and updating Deadline 7 documents with Examination Library reference numbers.
5.4 Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment – Revision D (Tracked and Clean)	To include mention to change in MLS SAC status.
5.4.3 HRA Screening Matrices – Revision D (Tracked and Clean)	Updated in response to comments from Natural England at Deadline 7.
5.5.1 Benthic Compensation Strategy Roadmap – Revision C (Tracked and	Updated in response to comments from Natural England at Deadline 7, and with

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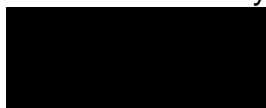
Clean)	additional detail on monitoring proposals.
5.5.3 Lesser Black Backed Gull Compensation - Evidence, Site Selection and Roadmap – Revision D (Tracked and Clean)	Updated in response to comments from Natural England at Deadline 7.
5.5.5 Guillemot and Razorbill - Evidence, Site Selection and Roadmap – Revision D	Updated in response to comments from Natural England at Deadline 7.
5.5.8 Guillemot and Razorbill Implementation and Monitoring Plans – Revision D	Updated in response to comments from Natural England at Deadline 7.
6.5.4.14 Migratory Collision Risk Modelling – Revision B	Updated in response to comments from Natural England at Deadline 7.
6.6.6.1 Ground Water Risk Assessment – Revision C	Updated to correct some minor typos and include the location of PWS013 (located in the same location of PWS010 at Welhams Farm) on the Drawings 2.1, 3.1 and 4.0 which was a noticed omission on review.
9.4 Onshore Substation Design Principles Document – Revision C (Tracked and Clean)	Updated to respond to comments from Essex County Council and to include additional wording around the independent design review process.
9.13 Margate and Long Sands Special Area of Conservation Benthic Mitigation Plan – Revision F (Tracked and Clean)	Updated in response to comments from Natural England at Deadline 7.
9.22 Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan – Revision E (Tracked and Clean)	Updated to respond to comments from Essex County Council, further information on Tree Perseveration Orders, and to include additional wording around coordination.
9.22.1 Arboricultural Report – Revision B (Tracked and Clean)	Updated to reflect comments put forward at Deadline 7 in response to ExQ3.
9.23 Outline Onshore Written Scheme of Investigation – Revision B (Tracked)	This document has been updated to Revision B and the clean version appended to the 10.47 Archaeological Mitigation Strategy (AMS) – Revision B, which will be a certified document. As such, only the tracked version of Revision B has been submitted as a separate document.
9.30 Coordination Document – Revision B (Tracked and Clean)	Updated in response to Rule 17 Request issued on 27 February 2025 [PD-034].
9.32 Offshore In Principle Monitoring Plan (Tracked and Clean) – Revision F	Updated in response to comments from MMO at Deadline 7.

10.47 Archaeological Mitigation Strategy (AMS) – Revision B (Tracked and Clean)	Updated following ongoing discussions with Essex County Council and Historic England to address their comments. The document also now includes the clean Revision B of the 9.23 Outline Onshore Written Scheme of Investigation.
10.63 Applicant's Comments on Deadline 7 Submissions	As requested in the Rule 17 letter [PD-009] setting out the timetable for the Examination.
10.63.1 Applicant's Comments on Natural England's Deadline 7 Submission	As requested in the Rule 17 letter [PD-009] setting out the timetable for the Examination.
10.64 Response to Rule 17 Letter - 27 February 2025	As requested in PD-034.
10.64.1 Response to East Anglia Two's Deadline 7 submissions and the ExA's Rule 17 request to the Applicant	As requested in the Rule 17 letter [PD-009] (in response to Deadline 7 submissions) and as requested in PD-034 (in response to the Rule 17 Request).
10.65 Outline Groundwater Monitoring Plan	This is a clean standalone version of Appendix 2 from the 6.6.6.1 Ground Water Risk Assessment – Revision C, which will be a certified document.
10.66 Clean Power 2030 Planning Statement Addendum	Provides an update with regards to three key policy documents published since the submission of the Application.
10.67 Draft Development Consent Order Validation Report	As requested in the Rule 17 letter [PD-009] setting out the timetable for the Examination.

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If you have any questions about our response and the submitted documents, or if there is anything further we can provide, please do not hesitate to contact the team.

Yours sincerely,



Project Lead

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