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Dear Mr Gould,

FIVE ESTUARIES OFFSHORE WIND FARM – EN010115

DEADLINE 8a SUBMISSION

Pursuant to the Examining Authority's Rule 17 letter dated 12 March, National Highways response to the two questions is as follows.

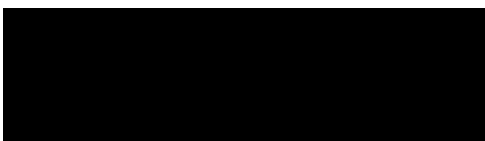
1. The Applicant provided a report containing potential measures that could be deployed on the A120 Wix Bypass to mitigate the risk of damage to the road surface caused by Abnormal Indivisible Loads (AILs) weighing greater than 300 Tonnes. This has been reviewed by specialists, and I can confirm that National Highways is content with the assurance provided that appropriate measures can be deployed to enable the transport of AILs from Harwich International Port along the A120 to the work site.
2. National Highways has now agreed Protective Provisions with the Applicant and is content that the Strategic Road Network is sufficiently protected by these in combination with a side agreement, which together are sufficient to prevent serious detriment arising to National Highway's statutory undertaking.

In addition, National Highways has concluded its assessment of the traffic modelling undertaken by the Applicant in relation to three junctions on the A120 and is content that no adverse impacts are forecast. National Highways is also satisfied that the amended outline Construction Management Plan provides sufficient protection in respect of the volume of HGVs and workforce traffic on the A120.



With all matters relating to the Strategic Road Network having now been agreed National Highways withdraws its objections to this application. National Highways is grateful to the Applicant for its constructive engagement throughout the Examination process.

Yours sincerely,



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