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Dear Sir/Madam

Application by North Falls Offshore Wind Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the North Falls Offshore Wind Farm.

The Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ1)

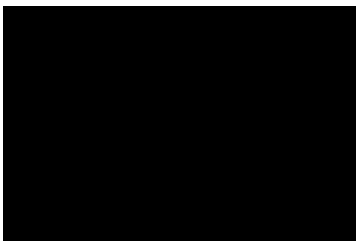
Examination Timetable – Deadline 2

Thank you for inviting the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) to provide additional information to the Examining Authority as part of its assessment of the proposed generation assets for the North Falls offshore wind farm project. We would like to submit the following response to the first written questions (ExQ1).

Written Questions (ExQ1)

Question and reference	MCA Response
<p>Q15.1.5 Navigational Safety Paragraph 852, Chapter 21 Summary, from the NRA Part 2 of 3 [APP-107] states that “The significance of risk has been determined as either Broadly Acceptable or Tolerable for all shipping and navigation hazards assessed. With additional mitigation measures applied, the residual risk is Broadly Acceptable or Tolerable with Mitigation for all shipping and navigation hazards and ALARP.” (i) Are you satisfied that the Proposed Development, subject to implementation of management plans and the level of mitigation proposed by the Applicant, reduces the risks to navigational safety to ‘as low as reasonably practicable’ (ALARP)? (ii) Are you content with the NRA and that the MGN 654 checklist has been satisfactorily completed to demonstrate compliance? If not, what more needs to be done to give you reassurance?</p>	<p>(i) Subject to the implementation of all risk controls and removal of the Galloper Recommended Route, MCA is content with the statement.</p> <p>(ii) MCA is content that the completed MGN654 checklist.</p>
<p>Q15.1.6 Layout principles - search and rescue Are you satisfied that the dDMLs contained with the dDCO would secure the necessary commitments to enable safe and practical search and rescue operations? If not, what additional wording/ drafting would you wish to see inserted?</p>	<p>MCA has provided comments on the dDML conditions in our Written Representation which includes suggested amendments. Discussions on safe and practical search and rescue operations will continue into the post-consent stage and the applicant will be required to complete the SAR Checklist and Emergency Response Cooperation Plan.</p>

Yours faithfully,



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