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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose of this Document

- 1.1.1 This document provides a guide to the Application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) for the North Falls Offshore Wind Farm (hereinafter referred to as 'North Falls' or the 'Project').
- 1.1.2 The Application is made by North Falls Offshore Wind Farm Limited (NFOW), the Applicant, to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero (the Secretary of State) under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008).
- 1.1.3 The Applicant is seeking development consent for the construction, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning of an offshore wind farm which will be an extension to the western boundary of the existing Greater Gabbard Offshore Wind Farm (GGOW).
- 1.1.4 This Guide aims to help the Examining Authority (ExA) and Interested Parties understand and navigate the Application through signposting to the documents that form the Application itself.
- 1.1.5 This Guide is an iterative document that will be updated as part of the Applicant's submission for each Examination deadline, both to capture the latest versions of updated documents and to record new documents submitted to the ExA as part of the Examination.
- 1.1.6 Regulation 5 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 (as amended) (APFP Regulations)) sets out the documents that all DCO applications must include.
- 1.1.7 Regulation 6 sets out the specific documentation required in support of DCO applications for particular types of development including offshore generating stations. This Guide provides a full list of the Application documents prepared in order to comply with Regulation 5 and 6 of the APFP Regulations.
- 1.1.8 The Project constitutes an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development and therefore the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 (the EIA Regulations) and requirements contained therein apply.

1.2 The Applicant

- 1.2.1 NFOW is a joint venture between SSE Renewables Offshore Windfarm Holdings Limited (SSER) and RWE Renewables UK Swindon Limited (RWE) both of which are highly experienced operators and developers of offshore

wind projects. Both organisations are committed to developing renewable energy in the UK.

- 1.2.2 SSER is a leading developer, owner and operator of renewable energy across the UK and Ireland, with a portfolio of onshore wind, offshore wind and hydro. Part of the SSER strategy is to drive the transition to a net zero future through the world class development, construction and operation of renewable energy assets.
- 1.2.3 SSER is a partner in the following existing UK offshore wind farms (operational or under construction):
- Beatrice – operational in north Scotland;
 - Greater Gabbard – operational off the coast of Suffolk;
 - Dogger Bank A, B and C offshore wind farms (formerly known as Creyke Beck A and B, and Teesside A) – under construction, off the coast of North East England; and
 - Seagreen – operational off the east of Scotland
- 1.2.4 RWE is one of the world’s leading renewable energy companies. The company has onshore and offshore wind farms, photovoltaic plants and battery storage facilities.
- 1.2.5 RWE is a partner or full owner in the following existing UK offshore wind farms (operational or under construction) and has recently had consent granted for Awel-y-Mor, off the coast of North Wales:
- Greater Gabbard (as above);
 - Galloper – operational off the coast of Suffolk;
 - Gwynt y Môr – operational in North Wales;
 - Humber Gateway - operational off the coast of East Yorkshire;
 - London Array - operational off the coast of Kent/Essex;
 - Rampion - operational off the coast of Sussex;
 - Rhyl Flats – operational in North Wales;
 - Robin Rigg - operational in the Solway Firth;
 - Scroby Sands - operational off the coast of Norfolk;
 - Sofia – under construction, off the coast of North East England; and

- Triton Knoll – operational off the coast of Lincolnshire.
- 1.2.6 This extensive portfolio provides NFOW with valuable lessons learned and experiences from consenting, constructing and operating offshore wind farms, which will be used to inform the design of North Falls. It also provides a sound understanding of the potential impacts of the Project through the ability to draw on available monitoring data.
- 1.2.7 In addition to their portfolios of existing offshore wind farms, RWE and SSER are each in the process of consenting a range of other wind farms. For example:
- RWE is leading the development of Five Estuaries off the east coast of England, Rampion 2, of the south coast of England and Dogger Bank South offshore wind farms, off the north east coast of England.
 - SSER is leading the development of Berwick Bank offshore wind farm off the east coast of Scotland; and is a partner in the Ossian offshore wind farm off the east coast of Scotland; and Dogger Bank D offshore wind farm, off the north east coast of England.
- 1.2.8 In short, the Applicant is a world leading and well experienced renewable energy developer and provider. The preparation of this Application has been informed by the Applicant's vast experience.

2. THE NORTH FALLS PROJECT

2.1 Project Description

- 2.1.1 North Falls Offshore Wind Farm is the proposed extension to the existing operational Greater Gabbard Offshore Wind Farm. The Project is for the construction, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning of an offshore wind farm proposed approximately 40km off the East Anglia coastline, in the southern North Sea.
- 2.1.2 The Application seeks consent for the Authorised Development as listed in Schedule 1 of the draft DCO (Document Reference: 6.1) and described in full in ES Chapter 5 Project Description (Document Reference: 3.1.7).
- 2.1.3 The Project as outlined in Schedule 1 of the draft DCO (Document Reference: 6.1) includes associated development under section 115 of the PA2008. Part 2 of Schedule 1 of the draft DCO (Document Reference: 6.1) includes ancillary works and any other works proposed to be authorised. The Project includes necessary infrastructure to connect to the National Grid.
- 2.1.4 The draft DCO (Document Reference: 6.1), among other things, authorises:
- The construction and operation of up to 57 wind turbine generators and their foundations;
 - The construction of up to two offshore substation platforms and a platform interconnector cable, or construction of one offshore substation platform and one offshore converter platform and a platform interconnector cable;
 - The construction of a network of subsea array cables between the wind turbine generators and the offshore substation platform/s and/or offshore converter platform;
 - The installation of up to two subsea export cable circuits between the offshore substation platform/s and the shore (the offshore cable corridor measuring approximately 57km in length);
 - The installation of up to two cable circuits and associated ducting as part of the landfall connection works;
 - The construction of up to two onshore underground cable circuits, cable ducting for two additional cable circuits for later installation, and associated works (the onshore cable corridor measuring approximately 24km in length);
 - The construction of an air insulated switchgear onshore substation located between Little Bromley and Ardleigh in the District of Tendring

and County of Essex and connection to the proposed East Anglia Connection Node substation for distribution of power to the national electricity transmission network; and

- Other works comprising but not limited to the construction of access routes, temporary construction compounds, drainage works, earthworks, temporary and permanent ecological and environmental mitigation, landscape works and habitat creation, and other works necessary or expedient for the purposes of or in connection with the relevant part of the authorised development.

2.1.5 The Application includes the option for an offshore grid connection described as Build Option 3 in the draft DCO (Document Reference: 6.1) via the offshore converter platform as described in Schedule 1 of the draft DCO, with Build Option 1 and 2 relating to an onshore grid connection. The Co-ordination Report (Document Reference: 2.5) sets out the context to this approach in more detail.

3. OVERVIEW OF APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

3.1 Summary

- 3.1.1 The documents submitted as part of the Application have been grouped into nine Volumes as detailed in **Table 3.1: Application Document Volumes** below.
- 3.1.2 A plain English summary of the individual volumes is provided, with a full list of Application documents provided at Appendix A of this Guide.

Table 3.1: Application Document Volumes

VOLUME	DESCRIPTION
1. Cover	This Volume contains the completed application form, the Cover Letter, this Guide to the Application, the Planning Inspectorate Electronic Application Index, and the Draft Section 55 Checklist.
2. Our Proposals	This Volume contains key reports setting out the need and compliance of the Project including the Needs Case and Project Benefits Statement, Planning Statement, Design and Access Statement, Design Vision, and Co-ordination Report. This Volume also includes the Co-ordination Report and Schedule of Mitigation.
3. Environmental Impact Assessment	This Volume includes the Environmental Statement (ES) which provides an assessment of the likely significant effects of the Project, as well as a description of proposed mitigation measures. It is split into Volume 3.1 (Chapters), Volume 3.2 (Figures), and Volume 3.3 (Appendices).
4. Consultation	This Volume contains the Consultation Report and its supporting appendices relating to the consultation undertaken on the Project and how consultation feedback has been taken into account.
5. Plans	This Volume contains relevant plans for the Project including (but not limited to) the location plan, works plans, land plans, crown land plan, special category land plan, plans related to

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	heritage assets, plans related to transport, and plans related to ecology.
6. DCO and Land Acquisition	This Volume contains the draft Development Consent Order (DCO) containing the legal powers the Applicant is seeking, together with separate documents explaining the provisions of the DCO (the Explanatory Memorandum). It also includes documents required for the compulsory acquisition of land including the Statement of Reasons, Book of Reference, Funding Statement, Schedule of Negotiations, and Statutory Undertakers Schedule.
7. Other	This Volume contains additional documents pertaining to the Project some of which are required by the APFP Regulations. This includes (but is not limited to) the documents forming the Report to Information the Appropriate Assessment (RIAA) and Habitats Regulation Derogation: Provision of Evidence, outline management plans, Cable Statement, Statutory Nuisance Statement, Safety Zone Statement and other plans and reports in relation to the Project.
8. Pre-Examination Documents	This volume contains new documents submitted to the Examining Authority (ExA) post acceptance of the Application. This includes the Applicant's Response to S51 Advice, and Procedural Decisions.
9. Examination Documents	This volume contains new documents submitted to the Examining Authority (ExA) during the Examination.
10. Statement of Common Grounds	This volume contains new documents specifically for Statements of Common Ground.

3.1.3 Sections 4 to 10 of this Guide provide a summary of the purpose of the documents and plans provided in each Volume and Appendix A provides a document schedule.

3.1.4 Appendix A of this Guide is a live part of this document and will be updated during the subsequent stages of the examination process.

- 3.1.5 A copy of the application documents are available on the Planning Inspectorate Website post formal acceptance of the Application.
- 3.1.6 Requests for printing and distribution of hard copies should be made to the Applicant via contact@northfallsoffshore.com and will be subject to a reasonable charge.

3.2 Document Referencing

- 3.2.1 The Application documents (as outlined in Appendix A of this Guide) are each attributed a unique reference number which consists of the volume number followed by the document number.
- 3.2.2 For example, documents within Volume 1 Cover are referenced as follows:
- Cover Letter (Document Reference: 1.1);
 - Application Form (Document Reference: 1.2);
 - Guide to the Application (Document Reference: 1.3);
 - Planning Inspectorate Electronic Index (Document Reference: 1.4); and
 - Draft Section 55 Checklist (Document Reference: 1.5).
- 3.2.3 The Document Schedule, presented at Appendix A of this Guide, and the Planning Inspectorate Electronic Index (Document Reference:1.4) are consistent with one another.

4. VOLUME 1: COVER

4.1 Volume 1 Summary

- 4.1.1 The Cover Letter (Document Reference: 1.1) provides a brief overview of the Project, its location, the Applicant and an introduction to the Application.
- 4.1.2 The Application Form (Document Reference: 1.2) is a standard application form required by Section 37(3)(b) of the PA 2008 which acts as a high-level summary of the proposed development.
- 4.1.3 The Guide to the Application is this document (Document Reference: 1.3).
- 4.1.4 The Planning Inspectorate Electronic Index (Document Reference: 1.4) is the electronic list of the Application documents for all volumes including the electronic file names, document references, and the relevant APFP Regulation numbers.
- 4.1.5 The Draft Section 55 Checklist (Document Reference: 1.5) evidences how the Applicant has fulfilled the conditions for Acceptance set by Section 55 of the PA2008.

5. VOLUME 2: OUR PROPOSALS

5.1 Volume 2 Summary

- 5.1.1 The Need Case & Project Benefits Statement (Document Reference: 2.1) details the need for the Project in the context of national legislation, legally binding commitments to achieve net zero and national policy. The document details the case underpinning the need for the Project in the context of its expected contribution to meeting three key national policy aims: decarbonisation to achieve net zero, energy security, and affordability of electricity generated. The document also includes an analysis of the economic efficiency of wind generation electricity as well as the local economic benefits of the Project.
- 5.1.2 The Planning Statement (Document Reference: 2.2) details the Project's compliance with the relevant planning policy framework at the national and local level. The principal policy context for the determination of DCO applications is provided by the relevant National Policy Statements (in this case NPS EN-1, NPS EN-3, and NPS EN-5). The Planning Statement also seeks to summarise the key technical considerations of the Project in the context of planning policy.
- 5.1.3 The Design Vision (Document Reference: 2.3) outlines a series of design principles which have been used to guide and underpin the Project's development proposals. The principles respond positively to the range of constraints and opportunities arising from the site and its surrounding context, whilst responding to the necessary technical requirements of the Project and statutory guidance.
- 5.1.4 The Design and Access Statement (Document Reference: 2.4) details the evolution and rationale of the design of the Onshore Scheme of the Project. The Onshore Scheme includes landfall, buried onshore export cables located within the onshore cable route located within the onshore cable corridors, from landfall (between Clacton-on-Sea and Frinton-on-Sea) to the onshore substation and National Grid substation, and the onshore substation. The Design and Access Statement outlines how the detailed design of North Falls is to be secured within the draft DCO (Document Reference: 6.1).
- 5.1.5 The Co-ordination Report (Document Reference: 2.5) provides an overview on the extent of coordination and collaboration undertaken to date by the Applicant as part of the development of the Project at both a strategic and project level. This includes details of coordination and collaboration with other Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPs) and stakeholders (including Five Estuaries Offshore Wind Farm and the Norwich to Tilbury Project) and an outline of ongoing coordination activities proposed during the construction and the delivery stage.

- 5.1.6 The Schedule of Mitigation (Document Reference: 2.6) sets out all the mitigation measures identified within the Environmental Statement (Document References: Volume 3.1 – 3.3) to be delivered as part of the Project and how they are to be secured in the draft DCO (Document Reference: 6.1). The Schedule of Mitigation is presented in a tabular form which contains a description of the measure to be secured, the relevant topic(s), the timing of the delivery (during or post construction) and how its delivery is secured.

6. VOLUME 3: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

6.1 Volume 3.1 – Environmental Impact Assessment Summary

- 6.1.1 The Applicant has undertaken an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) of the Project in accordance with the EIA Regulations to consider what significant effects the Project is likely to have on the environment.
- 6.1.2 The Environmental Statement (ES) is divided into three separate volumes (Volume 3.1, 3.2, and 3.3) to reflect the individual aspects of the ES. These are as follows:
- ES Volume 3.1 - comprising of Chapters 0 – 34;
 - ES Volume 3.2 - comprising Chapter Figures (for those Chapters where Figures are required); and
 - ES Volume 3.3 – comprising of Appendices (for those Chapters where Appendices are required).
- 6.1.3 The Environmental Statement (ES) includes the following chapters:
- Non-Technical Summary (Document Reference: 3.1.1);
 - Chapter 0 – Glossary (Document Reference: 3.1.2);
 - Chapter 1 – Introduction (Document Reference: 3.1.3);
 - Chapter 2 – Need for the Project (Document Reference: 3.1.4);
 - Chapter 3 – Policy and Legislative Context (Document Reference: 3.1.5);
 - Chapter 4 – Site Selection and Assessment of Alternatives (Document Reference: 3.1.6);
 - Chapter 5 – Project Description (Document Reference: 3.1.7);
 - Chapter 6 – EIA Methodology (Document Reference: 3.1.8);
 - Chapter 7 – Technical Consultation (Document Reference: 3.1.9);
 - Chapter 8 – Marine Geology, Oceanography and Physical Processes (Document Reference: 3.1.10);
 - Chapter 9 – Marine Water and Sediment Quality (Document Reference: 3.1.11);

- Chapter 10 – Benthic and Intertidal Ecology (Document Reference: 3.1.12);
- Chapter 11 – Fish and Shellfish Ecology (Document Reference: 3.1.13);
- Chapter 12 – Marine Mammals (Document Reference: 3.1.14);
- Chapter 13 – Offshore Ornithology (Document Reference: 3.1.15);
- Chapter 14 – Commercial Fisheries (Document Reference: 3.1.16);
- Chapter 15 – Shipping and Navigation (Document Reference: 3.1.17);
- Chapter 16 – Offshore and Intertidal Archaeology and Cultural Heritage (Document Reference: 3.1.18);
- Chapter 17 – Aviation and Radar (Document Reference: 3.1.19);
- Chapter 18 – Infrastructure and Other Users (Document Reference: 3.1.20);
- Chapter 19 – Ground Conditions and Contamination (Document Reference: 3.1.21);
- Chapter 20 – Onshore Air Quality (Document Reference: 3.1.22);
- Chapter 21 – Water Resources and Flood Risk (Document Reference: 3.1.23);
- Chapter 22 – Land Use and Agriculture (Document Reference: 3.1.24);
- Chapter 23 – Onshore Ecology (Document Reference: 3.1.25);
- Chapter 24 – Onshore Ornithology (Document Reference: 3.1.26);
- Chapter 25 – Onshore Archaeology and Cultural Heritage (Document Reference: 3.1.27);
- Chapter 26 – Noise and Vibration (Document Reference: 3.1.28);
- Chapter 27 – Traffic and Transport (Document Reference: 3.1.29);
- Chapter 28 – Human Health (Document Reference: 3.1.30);
- Chapter 29 – Seascape, Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (Document Reference: 3.1.31);
- Chapter 30 – Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (Document Reference: 3.1.32);

- Chapter 31 – Socio-economics (Document Reference: 3.1.33);
- Chapter 32 – Tourism and Recreation (Document Reference: 3.1.34);
- Chapter 33 - Climate Change (Document Reference: 3.1.35); and
- Chapter 34 – Major Accidents and Disasters (Document Reference: 3.1.36).

6.2 Volume 3.2 – Environmental Impact Assessment Figures

- 6.2.1 A full list of the ES Figures is found in Appendix A and therefore not copied here.

6.3 Volume 3.3 - Environmental Impact Assessment Appendices

- 6.3.1 A full list of the ES Appendices is found in Appendix A and therefore not copied here.

7. VOLUME 4: CONSULTATION REPORT

7.1 Volume 4 Summary

- 7.1.1 Volume 4 includes the Consultation Report (Document Reference: 4.1).
- 7.1.2 The Consultation Report (Document Reference: 4.1) explains how the Applicant has complied with the consultation requirements set out in the PA 2008, the APFP Regulations and the EIA Regulations.
- 7.1.3 The report includes details of the pre-application consultation and publicity of the application, consultation responses received, and how the Applicant has taken relevant consultation responses into account in the development of the Project.
- 7.1.4 The Consultation Report (Document Reference: 4.1) is structured as follows:
- Consultation Report (Document Reference: 4.1);
 - Consultation Report Appendix B.1 to D.16 (Document Reference: 4.1.1);
 - Consultation Report Appendix E.1 to E.9 (Part 1) (Document Reference: 4.1.2.1);
 - Consultation Report Appendix E.10 to E.15 (Part 2) (Document Reference: 4.1.2.2);
 - Consultation Report Appendix E.15.1 to E.28 (Part 3) (Document Reference: 4.1.2.3);
 - Consultation Report Appendix E.29 to E.32 (Part 4) (Document Reference: 4.1.2.4);
 - Consultation Report Appendix F.1 to F.12.2 (Part 1) (Document Reference: 4.1.3.1);
 - Consultation Report Appendix F.14 (Part 2) (Document Reference: 4.1.3.2);
 - Consultation Report Appendix F.15 to F.30 (Part 3) (Document Reference: 4.1.3.3);
 - Consultation Report Appendix F.31 to F.47 (Part 4) (Document Reference: 4.1.3.4);
 - Consultation Report Appendix F.48 to F.60.1 (Part 5) (Document Reference: 4.1.3.5);

- Consultation Report Appendix F.61 (Part 6) (Document Reference: 4.1.3.6);
- Consultation Report Appendix F.14.1 (Part 7) (Document Reference: 4.1.3.7);
- Consultation Report Appendix G.1 to G.4 (Part 1) (Document Reference: 4.1.4.1);
- Consultation Report Appendix G.5 (Part 2) (Document Reference: 4.1.4.2);
- Consultation Report Appendix G.5.1 (Part 3) (Document Reference: 4.1.4.3); and
- Consultation Report Appendix G.6 to H.3 (Part 4) (Document Reference: 4.1.4.4).

8. VOLUME 5: PLANS

8.1 Volume 5 Summary

8.1.1 There are 19 sets of plans provided to display the Project and meet the regulatory requirements set out in Regulation 5 of the APFP Regulations.

8.1.2 A list of the plans is set out in the **Table 8.1: Description of Plans** below:

Table 8.1: Description of Plans

REF.	PLAN	DESCRIPTION
5.1	Location Plan (Onshore) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(o))	The plan identifies the onshore Order Limits, which shows the boundaries of the proposed development onshore.
5.2	Location Plan (Offshore) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(o))	The plan identifies the offshore Order Limits, which shows the boundaries of the proposed development offshore.
5.3	Land Plans (APFP Regulation 5(2)(i))	The plans identify the land required for, or affected by, the proposed development; land where NFOW are to exercise powers of compulsory acquisition or any right to use land; and any land in relation to which it is proposed to extinguish easements, servitudes and other private rights.
5.4	Crown Land Plan (APFP Regulation 5(2)(n))	The plan identifies land in which there is a Crown interest or a Duchy interest.
5.5	Special Category Land (APFP Regulation 5(2)(i)(iv))	The plan identifies any land afforded protection against compulsory acquisition and includes land owned by the National Trust; land owned by a local authority; land owned by a statutory undertaker for the purposes of its undertaking; and land forming part of a common, open space, fuel or field garden allotment.
5.6	Works Plans (Onshore) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(j))	The plans show the onshore works proposed authorised by the DCO and in relation to existing features.
5.7	Works Plans (Offshore) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(j))	The plan shows the offshore works proposed that are authorised by the DCO in relation to existing features.
5.8	Offshore Order Limits and Boundary co-ordinates Plan (APFP Regulation 5(2)(j))	This plan defines the geographical boundaries and exact coordinates of the of the Project.

REF.	PLAN	DESCRIPTION
5.9	Access to Works Plan (APFP Regulation 5(2)(k))	This plan outlines the access routes for construction and maintenance activities related to works for the Project.
5.10	Streets Plan (APFP Regulation 5(2)(k))	This plan details the temporary closure or restriction of streets to facilitate the construction and operation of the Project.
5.11	Public Rights of Way Plan (APFP Regulation 5(2)(k))	This plan outlines the public rights of way that may be affected by the Project.
5.12	Tree Preservation Order & Hedgerow Plan (APFP Regulation 5(2)(l))	This plan outlines measures to protect and manage trees and hedgerows in the area affected by the Project.
5.13	Historic Environment Plan (Onshore) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(m))	This plan outlines the potential impacts of the Project on the onshore historic environment including above and below ground assets.
5.14	Historic Environment Plan (Offshore) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(m))	This plan outlines the potential impacts of the Project on the offshore historic environment including above and below ground assets.
5.15	Statutory/ Non-Statutory Nature Conservation Sites (Onshore) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(l)(i))	This plan identifies onshore nature conservation sites that are protected by law (statutory) or recognised for their conservation value without legal protection (non-statutory).
5.16	Statutory/ Non-Statutory Nature Conservation Sites (Offshore) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(l)(i))	This plan identifies offshore nature conservation sites that are protected by law (statutory) or recognised for their conservation value without legal protection (non-statutory).
5.17	Habitats of Protected Species (APFP Regulation 5(2)(l)(ii))	This plan outlines the habitats of protected species that may be affected by the Project.
5.18	Water Bodies in a River Basin Management Plan (APFP Regulation 5(2)(l)(iii))	This plan outlines the water bodies that are part of a river basin management plan and may be affected by the offshore wind components of the Project.
5.19	Temporary Traffic Regulation Order Plan (APFP Regulation 5(2)(k))	This plan outlines plans to temporarily modify traffic regulations. The plan outlines the specific details of the restrictions, their duration, and the area affected.

9. VOLUME 6: DRAFT DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER AND COMPULSORY ACQUISITION INFORMATION

9.1 Volume 6 Summary

- 9.1.1 The draft Development Consent Order (Document Reference: 6.1) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(b)) is a draft legal document in the form of a statutory instrument that outlines the powers the Applicant is seeking to construct, operate, maintain, and decommission the Project, should approval be granted. It defines the boundaries of the proposed development and will authorise:
- The compulsory acquisition of land including rights in or over land and imposition of restrictions, powers to override or suspend or extinguish rights over land and the temporary use of land;
 - The application, modification and/or disapplication of legislation relevant to the project including relating to the compulsory acquisition of land;
 - The ability to carry out works to and within streets, create or improve accesses, temporarily close streets, divert and temporarily close public rights of way and impose traffic regulation measures; and
 - Such ancillary, incidental and consequential provisions, licences, permits and consents as necessary and/or convenient.
- 9.1.2 The Explanatory Memorandum (Document Reference: 6.2) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(c)) clarifies the purpose and effect of each provision in the draft DCO, including its necessity. It also cites examples from other DCOs where relevant.
- 9.1.3 The Book of Reference (Document Reference: 6.3) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(d)) lists all parties who own or occupy land, have an interest in or right over the land affected by the Project, and/or may be entitled to make a 'relevant claim' as defined in Section 57 of the PA 2008. It is structured to meet the regulatory requirements.
- 9.1.4 The Funding Statement (Document Reference: 6.4) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(h)) outlines how the Project, including any compulsory purchase acquisition, would be financed.
- 9.1.5 The Statement of Reasons (Document Reference: 6.5) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(h)) explains that there is a compelling case in the public interest that justifies the Applicant's use of compulsory acquisition powers to permanently acquire land and rights, and to temporarily use land to construct, operate, maintain, and decommission the Project.

- 9.1.6 The Schedule of Negotiations (Document Reference: 6.6) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) outlines the details of the compulsory acquisition powers that NFOW is seeking. It includes information about the land and rights to be acquired, both permanently and temporarily, for the construction, operation, maintenance, and decommissioning of the Project. It also provides an update on the status of negotiations with landowners.
- 9.1.7 Statutory Undertakers Schedule (Document Reference: 6.7) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(d)) provides a list of statutory undertakers whose land, interests, or rights may be affected by the Project. It also outlines the consents required from these statutory undertakers and the process for obtaining them.

10. VOLUME 7: OTHER

10.1 Volume 7 Summary

- 10.1.1 The Applicant has submitted a series of documents with respect to information required under by APFP Regulation 5(2)(g) and in preparing them has had regard to Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note 10: Habitat Regulations Assessment relevant to Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (version 9, August 2022).
- 10.1.2 The Applicant has also considered the relevant statutory requirements set out in the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 and the Conservation of Offshore Marine Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (Habitats Regulations 2017), and relevant case law, in preparing the application documents.
- 10.1.3 The relevant application documents collectively referred to as the Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment (herein referred to as the 'RIAA') (Document References: 7.1.1 – 7.1.6) are as follows:
- Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Part 1 Introduction (Document Reference: 7.1.1);
 - Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Appendix 1.1 Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening (Document Reference: 7.1.1.1);
 - Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Part 2 Benthic Ecology (Annex I habitat in Special Areas of Conservation and Special Protection Areas supporting habitat) (Document Reference: 7.1.2);
 - Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Part 3 Marine Mammals (Annex II species) (Document Reference: 7.1.3);
 - Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Appendix 3.1 Unexploded Ordnance Clearance Information and Assessment (Document Reference: 7.1.3.1);
 - Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Part 4 Offshore Ornithology (Birds Directive Annex 1 and Migratory Species) (Document Reference: 7.1.4);
 - Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Appendix 4.1 Modelling the abundance of red-throated divers in the area of overlap between North Falls digital aerial surveys (12km buffer) and the Outer Thames Estuary Special Protection Area (Document Reference: 7.1.4.1);

- Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Appendix 4.2 Population Viability Analysis (Document Reference: 7.1.4.2);
- Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Part 5 Onshore European and Ramsar Sites (Document Reference: 7.1.5); and
- Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Part 6 Summary (Document Reference: 7.1.6).

10.1.4 The documents listed above together identify all relevant European sites and provide the necessary information for the competent authority to determine whether the Project is like to have any adverse effects on the integrity of any European site (including any European offshore marine site).

10.1.5 The following documents set out the Applicant's derogation case, including the assessment of alternative solutions, the imperative reasons of overriding public interest, and proposed compensatory measures.

- Habitats Regulations Derogation: Provision of Evidence (Document Reference: 7.2) ;
- Appendix 1 Compensatory Measures Overview (Document Reference: 7.2.1)
- Annex 1A Habitats Regulations Assessment Compensation Consultation (Document Reference: 7.2.1.1) ;
- Annex 1B Compensation Funding Statement (Document Reference: 7.2.1.2);
- Annex 1C In Principle Letter of Agreement from Dogger Bank South (East and West) (Document Reference: 7.2.1.3);
- Appendix 2 Lesser Black-Backed Gull Compensation Document (Document Reference: 7.2.2);
- Annex 2A Outline Lesser Black-backed Gull Compensation Implementation and Monitoring Plan (CIMP) (Document Reference: 7.2.2.1);
- Appendix 3 Red Throated Diver Compensation Document (Document Reference: 7.2.3);
- Annex 3A Outline Red Throated Diver Compensation Implementation and Monitoring Plan (CIMP) (Document Reference: 7.2.3.1);
- Appendix 4 Kittiwake Compensation Document (Document Reference: 7.2.4);

- Annex 4A Outline Kittiwake Compensation Implementation and Monitoring Plan (CIMP) (Document Reference: 7.2.4.1);
 - Appendix 5 Guillemot and Razorbill Compensation Document (Document Reference: 7.2.5); and
 - Annex 5A Outline Guillemot and Razorbill Compensation Implementation and Monitoring Plan (CIMP) (Document Reference: 7.2.5.1).
- 10.1.6 The Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ) Assessment Report (Screening & Stage 1 assessment) (Document Reference: 7.3 and 7.3.1) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(g)) provides information to inform consultation on whether the proposed offshore element of the Project is capable of affecting the features and conservation objectives of a Marine Conservation Zone.
- 10.1.7 The Statutory Nuisance Statement (Document Reference: 7.4) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(f)) identifies whether the Project engages any of the statutory nuisances in Section 79(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 and how NFOW proposes to mitigate the risk of such nuisance occurring.
- 10.1.8 The Marine Plan Assessment (Document Reference: 7.5) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(g)) assesses the Project's compliance with the relevant Marine Plans; South East Inshore Marine Plan (Defra 2021 and East Inshore and Offshore Marine Plans (Defra 2014) which overlap with the offshore array area .
- 10.1.9 The Outline Project Environmental Management Plan (PEMP) (Document Reference: 7.6) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(g)) outlines the proposed approach to managing environmental aspects during the lifecycle of the Project, including construction, operation, and decommissioning.
- 10.1.10 The Draft Marine Mammal Mitigation Protocol (MMMP) (Document 7.7) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(g)) details how the Applicant would mitigate the risk of auditory injury to marine mammals that could be present in and around the North Falls array area.
- 10.1.11 The Outline Site Integrity Plan for the Southern North Sea Special Area of Conservation (Document Reference: 7.8) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(g)) sets out the Applicant's approach to deliver potential mitigation and management measures that may be required to avoid Adverse Effect on Integrity (AEoI) of the designated harbour porpoise feature of the Southern North Sea Special Area of Conservation (SNS SAC).
- 10.1.12 The Outline Fisheries Liaison and Coexistence Plan (FLCP) (Document Reference: 7.9) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) outlines the approach to fisheries liaison during the construction, operational and decommissioning phases of the Project, and strategies to facilitate co-existence between the project and commercial fishing interests.

- 10.1.13 The Offshore In-principle monitoring plan (IPMP) (Document Reference: 7.10) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) provides a framework for discussions post consent with the Marine Management Organisation and relevant Statutory Nature Conservation Bodies to agree the exact detail of the monitoring required.
- 10.1.14 The Outline Offshore Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) (Document Reference: 7.11) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) details the principles to be implemented to ensure the protection of marine archaeological receptors through all three phases of the Project (construction, operations and maintenance, and decommissioning).
- 10.1.15 The Outline Onshore Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) (Document Reference: 7.12) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) details the principles to be implemented to ensure the protection of buried heritage assets and outlines proposed mitigation strategies that may be required.
- 10.1.16 The Outline Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) including Dust Management Plan (DMP), Soil Management Plan (SMP), Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (CNVMP) (Document Reference: 7.13) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) outlines the best practice construction methods and mitigation measures to be implemented during the construction phase of the Project to manage dust, soil, and noise and vibration and other construction impacts.
- 10.1.17 The Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Strategy (OLEMS) (Document Reference: 7.14) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) outlines the approach to managing and mitigating impacts on landscape and ecological features during the lifetime of the Project.
- 10.1.18 The Outline Horizontal Directional Drill Method Statement and Contingency Plan (Document Reference: 7.15) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) outlines the proposed Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) method for installing underground infrastructure and a contingency plan in case of bentonite 'break-out'.
- 10.1.19 The Outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (OCTMP) (Document Reference: 7.16) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) details the approach to managing construction traffic to minimise disruption and ensure safety during construction.
- 10.1.20 The Outline Public Rights of Way Management Plan (OPRoWMP) (Document Reference: 7.17) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) provides outline details of the mitigation measures proposed to manage impacts upon PRow within the Project's onshore Order Limits during the construction and operation.
- 10.1.21 The Outline Skills and Employment Plan (Document Reference: 7.18) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) outlines the approach to developing skills and creating employment opportunities during the construction and operation period for North Falls.

- 10.1.22 The Outline Operational Drainage Strategy (Document Reference: 7.19) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)). This strategy outlines the approach to managing drainage onshore during construction and operation of the onshore substation.
- 10.1.23 The Outline Offshore Operations and Maintenance Plan (Document Reference: 7.20) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) provide details on the approach to operating and maintaining offshore infrastructure during the operational phase of the Project.
- 10.1.24 The Outline Vessel Traffic Monitoring Plan (Document Reference: 7.21) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) outlines the approach to monitoring vessel traffic to ensure that the Navigational Risk Assessment (NRA) remains accurate through both the construction and operational phases of the Project.
- 10.1.25 The Biodiversity Net Gain Strategy (Document Reference: 7.22) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) sets out the strategy of assessing and securing BNG for onshore elements of the project, and includes: a summary of the relevant legal and policy background; the proposed outline approach to delivering BNG for the project; the proposed approach to calculating biodiversity units required to secure BNG for the project; and the deliverables associated with the Project's Early Design BNG Assessment (provided as Appendix A of the BNG Strategy).
- 10.1.26 The Safety Zone Statement (Document Reference: 7.23) (APFP Regulation 6(1)(b)(ii)) outlines the legislative requirements and the applicant's approach to applying for safety zones for Offshore Renewable Energy Installations (OREI) under Section 95 of the Energy Act 2004.
- 10.1.27 The Outline Navigation Installation Plan (Document Reference: 7.24) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) provides the framework for managing interactions between North Falls project vessels associated with offshore export cable installation/maintenance/repair and third-party vessels in navigationally sensitive areas.
- 10.1.28 The Scoping Opinion (Document Reference: 7.25) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(a)) is a copy of the Scoping Opinion adopted by the Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the Secretary of State) dated August 2021 pursuant to Regulation 10 of the EIA Regulations.
- 10.1.29 The Site Characterisation Report (Document Reference: 7.26) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) provides the necessary information to characterise the disposal site application requirements for the North Falls array area and offshore cable corridor.
- 10.1.30 The Cable Statement (Document Reference: 7.27) (APFP Regulation 6(1)(b)(i)) provides details on the cables to be installed as part of the Project, including their type, the route, and the method of installation.
- 10.1.31 The Consents and Licenses Statement (Document Reference: 7.28) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) provides a list of all other consents and licences that are

required for the Project beyond those included within the draft DCO (Document Reference: 6.1).

10.1.32 The District Level Licence (DLL) Draft Certificate (Document Reference: 7.29) (APFP Regulation 5(2)(q)) confirms that the Project has been granted a District Level Licence in relation to impacts on Great Crested Newts.

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