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**By email only:**

The Applicant

Your Ref:

Our Ref: EN010121

Date: 17 April 2025

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Dear Sirs

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

### **Application by Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Ltd for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Generation Assets**

#### **Request for further information**

I am writing on behalf of the Examining Authority (ExA) under Rule 17 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 to request the following information:

#### R17.3.1 – to the applicant

In its D6 submission, JNCC says in response to ExA question RIESQ14 in relation to NAS that *“In our opinion, committing to only apply NAS to the worst-case scenario is not in keeping with this policy commitment.”*

Does the applicant have any closing submissions it wishes to make to support its position?

#### R17.3.2 – to the applicant

The Schedule of Mitigation [[REP5a-021](#)] submitted at D5a included a new item, reference 7.7, in respect of boulder disposal.

Please could the applicant provide an update to confirm that boulder relocation would also be within the total disturbance width assessed in the ES as this remains unclear in the D6 submission.

#### R17.3.3 – to the applicant

The Technical Note on the Assessment of Offshore Impacts on Bats over the Irish Sea [[REP5a-050](#)] stated at paragraph 62 that

*“No potential pathways of impact on migratory bats are considered to occur during both the construction and decommissioning phases of the Project.”*

Please could the applicant confirm that the section 3.1. header immediately before paragraph 62 should read *“Potential pathways of impact during construction and decommissioning”* and update as necessary as this remains unclear in the D6 submission.

R17.3.4 – to the applicant

It would appear that in its D6 submissions Spirit Energy has not provided a Summation and Signposting document but rather has provided a ‘Response to the Applicant’s Deadline 5 and Deadline 5A Submissions’.

Does the applicant have any closing submissions it wishes to make to in response to this document?

Responses from to the above questions are requested to be submitted no later than the end of the examination which is at **23:59 hours on Wednesday 23 April 2025**. All parties are reminded that any submissions received after the close of the examination cannot be taken into account by the Examining Authority.

If you have any questions about the content of this letter, please contact the case team on the details above.

Yours sincerely

*Robert Jackson*

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**Lead Panel Member of the Examining Authority**

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