

Dated 25 June 2025

**APPLICATION BY RWE RENEWABLES UK DOGGER BANK SOUTH (WEST) LIMITED AND RWE
RENEWABLES UK DOGGER BANK SOUTH (EAST) LIMITED FOR AN ORDER GRANTING
DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE DOGGER BANK SOUTH OFFSHORE WIND FARM
SCHEME**

PLANNING INSPECTORATE REFERENCE NUMBER: EN010125

REGISTRATION IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 20050123

WRITTEN REPRESENTATION
submitted on behalf of National Grid Electricity
Transmission plc at Deadline 7

1 Introduction

- 1.1 This submission is made at Deadline 7 on behalf of National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (**NGET**) in connection with the application by RWE Renewables UK Dogger Bank South (West) Limited and RWE Renewables UK Dogger Bank South (East) Limited (**Promoter**) for the Dogger Bank South Offshore Wind Farms Development Consent Order (**Order**) to enable the construction of the Dogger Bank South Offshore Wind Farm (**Dogger Bank South Project**).
- 1.2 It provides an update on the matters referred to in NGET's submissions to the Examination, being:
- (a) Written representation dated 29 January 2025 [**REP1-080**];
 - (b) Written Representation dated 24 April 2025 in response to Rule 17 Letter dated 15 April 2025 [**REP4-111**];
 - (c) Written representation dated 23 May 2025 [**REP5-064**]; and
 - (d) Written representation dated 13 June 2025 (including response to Rule 17 Letter dated 9 June 2025) [**REP6-067**] (**NGET's D6 Submission**)
- (together the **NGET Submissions**).

2 Status of negotiations

- 2.1 As the Examining Authority is aware, NGET has requested that the set of protective provisions that it has put forward for the benefit of its undertaking (**NGET's PPs**, a copy of which are included in NGET's D6 Submission) should be included in the Order.
- 2.2 To this end, NGET's solicitors (Addleshaw Goddard LLP) have been engaging with the Promoter's solicitors. Whilst discussions between the parties are ongoing and NGET would not usually expect the inclusion of NGET's PPs in the Order to be contentious given their purpose and precedent in other development consent orders, an agreed position has not yet been reached with the Promoter.
- 2.3 Unfortunately at the present time NGET does not anticipate that an agreed position is likely to be reached with the Promoter before the close of the Examination.

3 Summary of NGET's position

- 3.1 In light of this, NGET's position remains as set out in the NGET Submissions and, in particular, NGET's D6 Submission - namely that NGET has existing and future infrastructure that needs to be protected via the protective provisions that NGET is proposing be included in the final form of the Order.
- 3.2 Since an agreed position has not been reached with the Promoter, NGET must continue to maintain the position set out in NGET's Submissions and requests that NGET's PPs should be included in the Order accordingly. NGET must also continue to reserve its right to request the opportunity to appear at a hearing before the close of the Examination if necessary.

Addleshaw Goddard LLP on behalf of NGET

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