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Date:

30 June 2025

Dear Sir/ Madam

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) (PA2008) – and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended) – Rule 9

Application by RWE Renewables UK Dogger Bank South (West) Ltd and RWE Renewables UK Dogger Bank South (East) Ltd for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Dogger Bank South Offshore Wind Farms

## **Procedural Decision regarding close of Examination**

The Examining Authority (ExA) is writing in connection with the above Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project under Rule 9 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended).

The ExA previously notified that they intended to close the Examination on Monday 14 July 2025, as set out in the Examination Timetable [PD-011]. Following consideration of the submissions received at Deadline 7, along with a review of the remaining time in the Examination timetable, the ExA is making a procedural decision to close the Examination on Friday 11 July 2025, following the receipt of submissions at Deadline 9 (Thursday 10 July), which is the final deadline for submissions.

Deadline 8 (Thursday 3 July 2025) requests the submission of, amongst other matters, final versions of documentation and closing statements from all parties involved in the Examination. Deadline 9 (Thursday 10 July 2025) is the final deadline for submissions and invites comments on the previous deadline submissions and any responses to Rule 17 requests for information issued by the ExA.

The Examining Authority therefore have decided that the Examination should close promptly, following the final deadline for submissions.

It should be noted that once the Examination has closed, the ExA will commence preparation of its recommendation to the Secretary of State on the basis of the evidence available to it at the Examination's close. As such, the ExA will not see any submissions made after this date. Any submissions received will be forwarded to the Secretary of State for consideration, alongside the ExA's recommendation.

Should you have any questions about the contents of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact the case team by emailing DoggerBankSouth@planninginspectorate.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully

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**Lead Member of the Examining Authority**