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Dear Sir/Madam,

Native Oyster (*Ostrea edulis*) Biogenic Reef Creation

We understand that as part of the Development Consent Order application by GTR4 Limited (trading as Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind (ODOW)), ODOW is considering potential compensation measures in the event that an Adverse Effect on the Integrity (AEoI) is identified in relation to the features of the Inner Dowsing Race Bank and North Ridges (IDRBNR) Special Area of Conservation (SAC), though the Applicant's position is that there would be no such AEoI.

One such measure considered is to create a biogenic reef through the creation of a native oyster (*Ostrea edulis*) bed within the IDRBNR SAC. Should this compensation be adopted, the overall aim of the compensation measure would be to deploy a self-sustaining oyster bed with an average minimum density of 5 live oysters per m². The oyster reef will cover a maximum area of 17,280m².

The purpose of this letter is to confirm to ODOW, and relevant licensing authorities, that The Oyster Restoration Company (TORC) can provide the necessary services that would be required for this compensation measure, should it be required. This letter serves to provide confidence that adequate oyster seed and cultch can be provided to create a self-sustaining native oyster reef to the scale that is required to cover a maximum area of 17,280m². TORC would therefore be willing to enter into an appropriate commercial agreement with ODOW should this compensation measure be deemed necessary. Any such future agreement will be based on restoration specifics including techniques and methodologies that would be required to create a self-sustaining native oyster reef.

Further relevant information regarding this compensation measure can be found in ODOW's Application Document 7.6.3 Without Prejudice Benthic Compensation Evidence Base and Roadmap.

Yours sincerely,



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