Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind

The Applicant's Response to the Request for Information Covering Letter

Response to the Request for Information submitted 9 September

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9 September 2025

Dear Sir,

Planning Act 2008 – Application for Development Consent GT R4 Limited, trading as Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind (the "Applicant") The Proposed Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind Farm Order (the "Application") Application Reference: EN010130

The Applicant has responded to your Request for Information ("RFI") of 12 August 2025 in the documents submitted alongside this Covering Letter.

In Document 27.2 (*The Applicant's Response to the Request for Information*) the Applicant has provided its written response to each relevant request. In addition, the Applicant has submitted the documents set out in Table 1.

Document 27.4 (Submission Documents Summary and Change Log) provides an account of the documents submitted in this submission, a summary of the changes made to them, and the reason for their submission. It also cross-references, where relevant, to the row of the Applicant's Response to the Request for Information (27.2) where each such documents is discussed.

In addition, the Applicant wishes to provide the following updates:

T.H. Clements

Following the close of Examination, the Applicant and T.H. Clements have reached agreement on heads of terms for a voluntary agreement to address concerns raised by T.H. Clements during Examination. A draft agreement is now well progressed between the parties, and it is expected that this will be signed and completed within the next two weeks. The Applicant understands that the completion of this agreement will address T.H. Clements' concerns and allow them to withdraw their representations.



National Grid Electricity Transmission ("NGET")

Following the close of the Examination, the Applicant and NGET have been discussing the potential for overlapping Order Limits between the Project's northern ANS area and the proposed locations for NGET's Eastern Green Link 3 ("EGL3") and Eastern Green Link 4 ("EGL4") projects offshore.

Further discussions have resulted in the Applicant and NGET agreeing an amendment to the protective provisions for the protection of NGET (Schedule 18, Part 7 of the draft DCO) to include a restriction that an ANS may not be sited within or within 500m of a defined buffer zone around EGL 3 and EGL 4 without NGET's agreement. That defined buffer zone is shown on the NGET protective provisions offshore buffer zone plan (Document 27.9), which is also agreed between the Applicant and NGET.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact Beth Travis (

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Yours faithfully,



Greg Tomlinson

Development Manager

Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind



Table 1 List of documents submitted on 9 September 2025 in response to the Secretary of State's RFI of 12 August 2025

Applicant Reference	Document Title					
Note: * indicates where clean and tracked versions have been submitted						
New Documents						
27.1	The Applicant's Response to the Request for Information Covering Letter					
27.2	The Applicant's Response to the Request for Information					
27.3	Plemont Seabird Sanctuary Biodiversity Research 2017-2024					
27.4	Submission Documents Summary and Change Log					
27.5	2025 South West England Auk Monitoring					
27.6	Noise Abatement Systems Commitment Clarification Note					
27.7	Offshore Reactive Compensation Platform Physical Processes Assessment Clarification Note					
27.8	Nearshore Cable Protection Clarification Note					
27.9	NGET Protective Provisions Offshore Buffer Zone Plan					
	Updated Documents					
3.1*	Draft Development Consent Order					
3.1.1	Schedule of Changes to the DCO					
6.1.11*	Chapter 11 Marine Mammals					
6.1.12*	Chapter 12 Offshore and Intertidal Ornithology					
7.6.1.1*	Outline Sandbank Compensation Implementation and Monitoring Plan					
7.6.2.1*	Outline Biogenic Reef Compensation Implementation and Monitoring Plan					
7.7.1.1*	Outline Kittiwake Compensation Implementation and Monitoring Plan					
7.7.2*	Without Prejudice Guillemot Compensation Plan					
7.7.2.1*	Outline Guillemot Compensation Implementation and Monitoring Plan					
7.7.3*	Without Prejudice Razorbill Compensation Plan					
7.7.3.1*	Outline Razorbill Compensation Implementation and Monitoring Plan					
7.7.4*	Offshore Artificial Nesting Structures Evidence Base and Road Map					



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7.7.5*	Without Prejudice Predator Control Evidence Base and Road Map				
7.7.6 *	Without Prejudice Additional Measures for Compensation of Guillemot and Razorbill				
8.03*	Offshore In-Principle Monitoring Plan				
8.5*	Outline Cable Specification and Installation Plan				
8.6.1*	Outline Marine Mammal Mitigation Protocol for Piling Activities				
8.6.2*	Outline Marine Mammal Mitigation Protocol for Unexploded Ordnance Clearance				
8.7*	In Principle Southern North Sea Special Area of Conservation Site Integrity Plan				
8.10*	Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Strategy (OLEMS)				
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8.13*	Schedule of Mitigation				
8.21*	Outline Scour Protection and Cable Protection Management Plan				
8.22*	Outline Biogenic Reef Mitigation Plan				
20.17*	Guillemot and Razorbill: Compensation Quanta				
21.15	Perenco Protective Provision Plan				
21.16*	ORCP Design Principles Statement				