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Our Ref: EN010136

Morgan Offshore Wind Limited
Isle of Man Government
Moor Vannin Offshore Wind Farm Limited
Isle of Man Steam Packet Company
NATS
Ronaldsway Airport
Blackpool Airport
BAE Systems Marine Limited Walney Aerodrome
BAE Systems Operations Limited Warton Aerodrome
Defence Infrastructure Organisation
Natural England
Natural Resources Wales (Advisory)
Joint Nature Conservation Committee
The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
Marine Management Organisation

Date: 19 June 2025

Dear Sir or Madam,

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

Application by Morgan Offshore Wind Limited (“the Applicant”) for an Order granting Development Consent for the proposed Morgan Offshore Wind Project: Generation Assets (“the Proposed Development”)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

1. Following the completion of the Examination on 10 March 2025, the Examining Authority (“ExA”) submitted its Report and Recommendation in respect of its findings and conclusions on the above application to the Secretary of State on 29 May 2025. In accordance with section 107 of the Planning Act 2008 (“PA 2008”), the Secretary of State has three months to determine the application.
2. The Secretary of State requests that the **Applicant, Isle of Man Government, Moor Vannin Offshore Wind Farm Limited, Isle of Man Steam Packet Company, NATS, Ronaldsway Airport, Blackpool Airport, BAE Systems Marine Limited Walney Aerodrome, BAE Systems Operations Limited Warton Aerodrome, the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (“DIO”), Natural England, Natural Resources Wales (Advisory) (“NRW(A)”)**, the Joint Nature Conservation Committee (“JNCC”), the Royal Society for the Protection of

Birds (“RSPB”) and the Marine Management Organisation (“MMO”) provide information as set out below.

Cumulative Effects Assessment

3. The Secretary of State notes that the application for Marine Infrastructure Consent for the Mooir Vannin Generation Project was due to be submitted in March 2025. The Secretary of State invites the **Isle of Man Government** and **Mooir Vannin Offshore Wind Farm Limited** to confirm whether any application has been made, and when any further environmental information relevant to the application may be made available. If further information is available now, the **Applicant** is requested to update the Cumulative Effects Assessment and In-combination assessment.

Wake effects

4. The Secretary of State notes the positions of the Applicant and Interested Parties (“IPs”), in particular Ørsted IPs, in relation to wake effects. The Secretary of State also notes the policy in paragraphs 2.8.197 and 2.8.200 of NPS EN-3, as well as the specific policy on wake effects set out in the draft NPS EN-3 which was recently consulted upon. Those policies state that an assessment of the potential effects of the proposed development on existing or permitted infrastructure or activities should be carried out by the applicant, that all reasonable steps should be taken to minimise impacts, that an applicant should show they have made reasonable efforts to work collaboratively with those who may be impacted, prior to the submission of an application, and that appropriate mitigation should be included in any application and ideally agreed between relevant parties.
5. The Secretary of State requests that the **Applicant** provides, without prejudice, a proposal to secure:
 - a. the provision of an assessment (if the assessment contained in the Wood Thilsted Report is not agreed); and
 - b. further consideration of means to minimise any assessed impacts, including opportunities to work with impacted windfarms to achieve this.

Commercial negotiations and agreements

6. The **Applicant** and **Isle of Man Steam Packet Company** should provide an update on the status of their Ferry Mitigation Agreement negotiations. If agreement has not been reached, updates should include details of whether an agreement is expected, and if so when agreement is expected.
7. The **Applicant** and **NATS** should provide an update on the status of their commercial agreements. **NATS** should confirm if it can now remove its objection.
8. The **Applicant** and **Ronaldsway Airport** should provide an update on the status of their commercial agreements.

9. The **Applicant** and **Blackpool Airport** should provide an update on the status of their commercial agreements and whether agreement has been reached on the wording of Requirement 9 in the Applicant's draft Development Consent Order.
10. Noting the timeline set out in Appendix A of REP7-004, the **Applicant** and **BAE Systems Marine Limited Walney Aerodrome** should provide an update on the status of their commercial agreements and whether agreement has been reached on the wording of Requirement 7 in the Applicant's draft Development Consent Order.
11. Noting the timeline set out in Appendix A of REP7-004, the **Applicant** and **BAE Systems Operations Limited Warton Aerodrome** should provide an update on the status of their commercial agreements and whether agreement has been reached on the wording of Requirement 5 in the Applicant's draft Development Consent Order.
12. The **Applicant** and **DIO** should provide an update on whether agreement has been reached on the wording of Requirement 6 in the Applicant's draft Development Consent Order. **DIO** should confirm if it can now remove its objection.

Updates in respect of Habitats Regulation Assessment ("HRA") matters

13. Noting that further HRA information was submitted by the Applicant and Appropriate Nature Conservation Bodies at Deadline 6 following publication of the Report on the Implications for European Sites, the Secretary of State invites the **Applicant**, **Natural England**, **NRW(A)**, the **JNCC** and the **RSPB** to provide any final comments on that further information.

Deemed Marine Licence ("DML")

14. The **MMO** is invited to confirm whether it has reached a concluded position on the benefit of including an end date of the operational and maintenance phase within the DML, as it referred to in REP6-094, and if so, to propose draft wording to secure this in the DML.

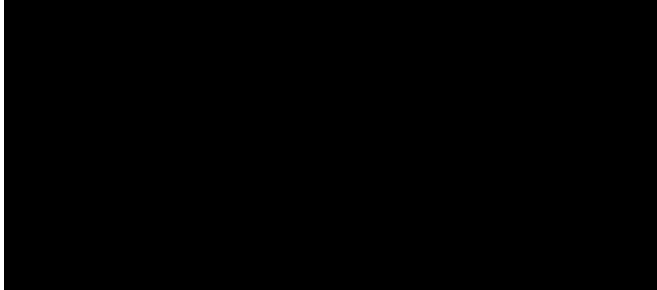
Deadline for response

15. Responses to the requested information should be submitted by email only to morganoffshorewindproject@planninginspectorate.gov.uk by **23:59 on 3 July 2025**.
16. Responses will be published on the Morgan Offshore Wind Project: Generation Assets project page of the National Infrastructure Planning website as soon as possible after **3 July 2025**:
<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-west/morgan-offshore-wind-project-generation-assets/>

17. This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's consideration of whether to grant or withhold development consent for the Proposed Development or any part of the project.

18. Nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what the eventual decision might be or what final conclusions the Secretary of State may reach on any particular issue which is relevant to the determination of the application.

Yours faithfully,



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On behalf of the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero