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Er sylw / For the attention of: John Wheadon

Annwyl / Dear John,

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

Thank you for your Information request letter, dated 18 July 2025, requesting information from Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru / Natural Resources Wales’ regarding the above.

We note that our advice and conclusions for Welsh SPAs/Ramsars submitted in AS-012 and REP6-101 was based on the information provided in the Applicant’s spreadsheet of the SNCB’s preferred approach presented in AS-013. We note that the Applicant provided additional information to go alongside the SNCB’s preferred approach spreadsheet, which describes in-combination assessments and Population Viability Analyses (PVA) in REP6-057.

However, as is noted by JNCC in their response to Secretary of State Consultation 1, the latest version of the Applicant’s *‘HRA Stage 2 information to support an appropriate assessment Part Three: Special Protection Areas (SPA) and Ramsar Site assessments’* document [REP6-066] solely provides the assessments for the Applicant’s preferred parameters and states that no in-combination assessment was required and no PVAs have been carried out, due to it being the Applicant’s preferred approach. Hence there is a mismatch between REP6-057 and REP6-066. This highlights the need to provide assessments including both the Applicant’s preferred approach and the SNCB’s advised approach, should they be different, to aid clarity and to avoid confusion.

We agree with JNCC’s recommendation that the SNCB’s advised assessments should be considered when coming to conclusions regarding AEoSI, as this approach provides a plausible range of potential impacts, including a realistic worst-case scenario.

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Yours sincerely

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