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Dear Sir / Madam,

#### **REF: Helios Renewable Energy Project EN010140**

### PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED) - DEADLINE 6 SUBMISSION BY THE APPLICANT

On 11 December 2024, the Examining Authority ("ExA") issued a letter under Section 89 of the Planning Act 2008 and Rules 8 and 9 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 ("the Rule 8 letter") which confirmed the Examination timetable and procedure relating to the Helios Renewable Energy Project Development Consent Order (DCO) application. The Rule 8 letter set out the submissions required by the ExA to be provided for each Deadline of the Examination and this letter provides the Applicant's submissions accordingly in relation to Deadline 6. Appendix A to this letter sets out the current status of each of the documents requested by the ExA in Annex A of the Rule 8 Letter and Annex F Section 6 of the Rule 6 Letter.

The Applicant's submissions to the Examination for Deadline 6 comprise:

- Updated Guide to the Application (1.4.1);
- The Applicant's Responses to Deadline 5 Submissions (9.11);
- The Applicant's Responses to the Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ2) (9.12);
- Draft Statement of Common Ground with the Environment Agency (8.1.1);
- Statement of Commonality (8.1.11);
- Environmental Statement Appendix 8.9: Information to inform a Habitats Regulation Assessment (6.3.8.9);
- Flood Risk Assessment (7.5);
- Preliminary Flood Compensation Scheme (9.13);
- Grid Connection Statement (7.3);
- Environmental Statement Appendix 5.1 Outline CEMP (6.3.5.1);
- Environmental Statement Appendix 5.4 Outline OEMP (6.3.5.4);
- Environmental Statement Appendix 5.3 Outline DEMP (6.3.5.3);
- Draft Development Consent Order Revision D (3.1) (the dDCO); and
- Draft Development Consent Order Schedule of Changes (3.1.1) (the dDCO SoC).



For each of the amended documents a clean version and a version showing tracked changes made at this Deadline has been submitted so that changes can be easily identified.

Whilst the dDCO has been updated we would like the ExA to note that, the Applicant has not updated Schedule 11 (Documents to be Certified). The Applicant proposes to update (and finalise) Schedule 11 at Deadline 8 as it is anticipated that the majority of the documents listed therein will be in final form at that point including any updates to the Book of Reference following a refresh of the information from the Land Registry.

The Status of Negotiations on Protective Provisions [REP5-013] has not been updated at Deadline 6 due to duplication with Annex A of The Applicant's Responses to the Examining Authority's written questions and requests for information (ExQ2) (9.12). Please could the ExA clarify whether the Applicant should continue to update the Status of Negotiations on Protective Provisions or Annex A at future deadlines.

Yours sincerely,



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## **APPENDIX A: SUBMISSIONS REQUESTED BY THE EXAMINING AUTHORITY**

#### **RULE 8 LETTER ANNEX A: DEADLINE 6 SUBMISSIONS**

Annex A of the Rule 6 Letter lists the documents to be submitted to the ExA at Deadline 6. The table below sets out the Applicant's current position for each of these items.

Item	Deadline 6 Submission / Nil Return
Responses to the ExA's Second Written	The Applicant's Responses to the Examining
Questions (ExQ2) (if these were issued).	Authority's written questions and requests for
	information (ExQ2) (9.12)
Comments on any additional information /	The Applicant's Responses to Deadline 5
submissions received by Deadline 5.	Submissions (9.11)
The Applicant's updated documents (see Annex	See table below.
F, section 6 to the Rule 6 Letter (PD-001)).	
Updated PADS where any substantive changes	N/A – Interested Party submission.
have been made.	
Any further information requested by ExA.	Preliminary Flood Compensation Scheme (9.13)

# RULE 6 LETTER ANNEX F SECTION 6: APPLICANT'S SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS AT EXAMINATION DEADLINES

Annex F Section 6 of the Rule 6 Letter lists the documents which the Applicant is requested to submit at Examination deadlines as is appropriate, including notification of nil returns if no updates are required at that deadline:

Item	Deadline 5 Submission / Nil Return
A. Updated Guide to the Application	Updated Guide to the Application (1.4.1)
B. Draft Development Consent Order (dDCO)	Draft Development Consent Order (3.1)
and draft Explanatory Memorandum (dEM)	Draft Development Consent order – Schedule
	of Changes (3.1.1)
C. Book of Reference (BoR)	Nil Return – No substantive updates required.
D. Statement of Commonality	Statement of Commonality (8.1.11)
E. Updated Statements of Common Ground	Draft Statement of Common Ground with the
	Environment Agency (8.1.1)
	Further detail on the current position of the
	SoCGs is provided within the Statement of
	Commonality.
F. Status of Negotiations / Compulsory	Nil Return – No substantive updates required.
Acquisition Schedule	
G. Status of Negotiations with Statutory	Nil Return – Updates provided within Annex A
Undertakers	of The Applicant's Responses to the Examining
	Authority's written questions and requests for
	information (ExQ2) (9.12)



H. National Policy Statement (NPS) Tracker	Nil Return – No substantive updated required.
I. Consents and Licences Position Statement	Nil Return – No substantive updates required.
J. Any other updated documents or plans	Environmental Statement Appendix 8.9:
where substantive updated have been made	Information to inform a Habitats Regulation
since the previous version was submitted.	Assessment (6.3.8.9)
	Flood Risk Assessment (7.5)
	Grid Connection Statement (7.3)
	Environmental Statement Appendix 5.1 -
	Outline CEMP (6.3.5.1)
	Environmental Statement Appendix 5.4 -
	Outline OEMP (6.3.5.4)
	Environmental Statement Appendix 5.3 -
	Outline DEMP (6.3.5.3)