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IP No 20053937

Monday 22 September 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Application by Morgan Offshore Wind Limited and Morecambe Offshore Windfarm Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms Transmission Assets ("the Application")

Canal & River Trust (the Trust) Submission for Deadline Seven, (Unique Reference: 20053937).

We write further to the publication of the Deadline Six (DL6) submissions. We wish to provide the Examiner (ExA) with an update on the Trust's latest position in relation to the examination, with headings to identify the various elements in relation to Deadline Seven (DL7), including update on progress made on negotiating an agreement in terms of the rights over Trust leased land. We also provide comments on Deadline 6 matters relevant to the Trust.

Rights over Trust leased land

The Trust's agents in relation to the land negotiations for rights over our leased land, Carter Jonas, are currently in discussion with Dalcour McClaren in relation to the draft Heads of Terms (HoT). The Trust had expected that agreement could be reached before the end of the examination, provided there was sufficient engagement on the HoTs from the applicant. Unfortunately, this has not been the case and HoT have not yet been agreed. It is understood that we are still waiting for the applicant to respond on outstanding matters on the HoT, but there are no insurmountable issues.

We do note the applicants land right tracker (S_D1_15/F06) and the comment "*The Applicant remains hopeful that the necessary land rights can be secured through a voluntary agreement.*" We would fully concur with this. It is however disappointing that HoT have not been able to be agreed before the end of the examination.

Trust's response to Deadline Six matters

The Trust has no comments to make on the applicants' other DL6 Submissions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries you may have.

Yours sincerely,

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