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Dear Martin

PLANNING ACT 2008 - PROPOSED ABLE MARINE ENERGY PARK SECRETARY OF STATE'S DISCHARGE OF FUNCTIONS IN RESPECT OF ACQUISITION OF LAND HELD BY STATUTORY UNDERTAKERS – E.ON

Thank you for providing a copy of the Planning Inspector's (PINS) report of 24 February 2013 and seeking DECC's views on matters in relation to the acquisition of land owned by E.ON. Having considered the recommendation by the section 127 examiner in Annex D of the PINS report I can confirm that the Secretary of State is satisfied that the land described in the report can be acquired without serious detriment to the carrying out of E.ON's statutory functions as an energy undertaker.

Having considered the Panel's recommendation at paragraph 18.213 of the PINS report, I confirm also that the Secretary of State is content to give consent under section 138(4)(b) to the inclusion in the proposed Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order of provision for the extinguishment of rights and the removal of apparatus of E.ON as being necessary for the purposes of the project.

The Secretary of State accordingly intends to give the section 127 certificate and consent under section 138(4)(b), if the Secretary of State for Transport

decides in due course to make the proposed Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order.

Yours sincerely



Re Gareth Leigh Team Leader, National Infrastructure Consents