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**Your ref:** TR030006

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Dear Sir/Madam

**Request made by Able Humber Ports Limited (“the Applicant”) for the Secretary of State’s approval to extend the completion period of the Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/2935)**

Thank you for consulting us on the additional information submitted by the Applicant in connection with the above.

We have reviewed the document dated May 2025, “Response to Secretary of State’s Letter 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025” Revision 2 [we assume this should read 2024] in relation to the Environment Agency’s original consultation comments (letter of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023).

These comments appear to have been addressed as follows:

- Formal incorporation of the resurvey of intertidal into monitoring strategy: a pre-construction survey appears to have been incorporated into the Marine Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan (page 5, Table 1).
- Aerial photograph including extension into Humber Estuary within the Environmental Review: the aerial photograph in the finalised Environmental Review (October 2023) now shows the extension of the development limits into the estuary.
- Consideration of Immingham Green Energy Terminal (IGET) within cumulative effects assessment: IGET is now considered within the response letter and the updated Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA).

The response provides details of recent discussions between the Applicant and Natural England regarding cumulative and in-combination effects of the proposed development, the IGET, and the Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal (IERRT), indicating a degree of

dispute between the two parties. However, the issues appear to have been resolved, and we look to Natural England to comment on the extent to which they are satisfied with the conclusions of the response and the updated Habitats Regulations Assessment.

Please note that the Environment Agency's agreement is on the basis of

- i) there being no changes to either the nature or duration of the proposed works;
- ii) the DCO extension being limited to the locations of the AMEP and Compensation sites outlined in document 'AHP-002-00000 A Development Consent Order Limits Site Location Plan.pdf'; and
- iii) updated Water Framework Directive assessment results (new data for existing elements and newly classified elements) are considered within any future material changes and associated monitoring as described within the Marine Environmental Management & Monitoring Plan.

Should you require any additional information or wish to discuss these matters further, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number below.

Yours faithfully

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