



Department of Energy & Climate Change

Strategic review to identify opportunities on the east coast to develop a construction and staging facility for the UK and European offshore wind industry

Minister of State for Energy Andrea Leadsom announced in the House of Commons on 9th February that Benj Sykes of DONG Energy will lead a strategic review to identify opportunities on the East Coast to develop a construction and staging facility for the UK and European offshore wind. This will report to the joint Government and industry led Offshore Wind Industry Council (OWIC).

The terms of reference for this review, and the membership of the review team, are below. This is a short, focussed review that is expected to report in Summer 2016.

Terms of reference

Scope and Objectives

The Review will aim to identify opportunities to develop a UK construction and/or staging facility on the East Coast for the UK and European offshore wind industry, and the actions necessary to mature these opportunities.

Specifically the review will:

1. Identify opportunities to develop a construction and/ or staging facility on the East Coast that can stimulate industrialisation in the UK supply chain and provide a sustainable long term basis (current CfDs and new allocations up to 2020) to compete with European counterparties, taking account of:
 - Those locations with significant potential to meet the objectives within the timeframe, across the East Coast (including Scotland).
 - The spread of windfarm sites.
 - The ability to stimulate related opportunities in the location of a facility
 - The relationship with cost reductions
2. Consider and report on the commercial model and the actions needed to enable that location to develop to a timescale that unlocks the greatest amount of potential opportunity.

Joint Government/ industry participants

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