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Our reference: DC10142

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Dear Mr McNiven,

**The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007 (as amended)**

**Port of Barrow – Offshore Wind Maintenance Facility**

On 3 May 2017 Royal Haskoning DHV, on behalf of DONG Energy Ltd, requested a screening opinion from the Marine Management Organisation (“MMO”) in respect of the activities within the proposed offshore wind maintenance facility that will require a marine licence, as noted in the outlined development scoping report (DC10142).

**Background**

The MMO is required to consider such requests in accordance with the Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (EIA) Regulations 2007 (as amended) (“MWR”). In doing so the MMO is required to determine whether the proposed regulated activity would constitute a project which falls within Annex I or Annex II to European Directive 2011/92/EU.

Article 10 of the MWR provides that the MMO may determine that an EIA is not required in relation to a regulated activity if it is satisfied that assessment of the effects on the environment of the project in question has already been, is being, or is to be carried out by the appropriate authority or by another consenting body.

**Deferral**

The applicant submitted a notice of intention to submit an application for a Harbour Revision Order (HRO), under paragraph 3 of Schedule 3 of the Harbours Act 1964, to directly authorise the construction of the maintenance facility. The MMO is satisfied that an EIA in accordance with the MWR is not required in respect of the proposed regulated activities, in so far as they are consistent with the HRO, on the basis that an EIA of the effects of the project on the environment is to be carried out by the MMO under the Harbours Act 1964.



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## Conclusion

The MMO has determined that EIA under the MWR is not required for the proposed regulated activity, by virtue of article 10(1)(b)(i and ii) of the MWR, on the basis that an EIA of the effects of the project is to be carried out by the MMO under the Harbours Act 1964.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melissa Gaskell-Burnup". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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