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Dear Abbey

Application for a Variation to the Halite Energy Group Limited Development Consent Order 2015 (No. 1561) Deemed Marine Licence Under Section 72(3)(d) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act

Halite Energy Group Limited was granted a Development Consent Order (DCO) and Deemed Marine Licence (DML), that came into force from 2015, which is required for the deposit or removal of a substance or object below the mean high-water springs mark or in any tidal river to the extent of the tidal influence, unless an exemption applies. As a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP), pursuant to Section 149A of the Planning Act 2008, a DCO may include provisions deeming a marine licence to have been issued under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.

Halite Energy Group Limited is seeking from the MMO a variation to the DML.

In the Halite Energy Group Ltd Development Consent Order, Schedule 7, Condition 2 reads:

2(b) the “licence termination date” means an indefinite period unless a licensed activity has not been commenced by the fifth anniversary of the licence commencement date, in which case it means the fifth anniversary of the licence commencement date.

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In order for Halite to proceed with the project beyond 2020, it is necessary to delay the duration of the DML for at least an additional 3 years. This is to ensure that any studies that may need to be repeated can be accommodated. These studies may be subject to seasonality implications hence the request for an additional 36 months.

Annex 1 provides details on the proposed changes to Schedule 8 conditions 2(b) and supporting statements regarding their implications, demonstrating that the proposed change does not have an effect on the environmental and Habitats Regulations assessment upon which the DCO and Deemed Marine Licence consent application was considered and granted.

Application Fee

It is understood that a fee will be payable to the MMO that will either be £200 up front or, should MMO consider it appropriate to consult with its advisors, on an hourly cost incurred basis. Halite Energy Group Ltd accepts the obligation to pay the charges and undertakes to do so for this application as advised by the MMO.

We would be grateful for confirmation that this amendment can be accommodated by the 5th March 2020.

Yours sincerely



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Annex 1

DML Provision	Previous Text	Replacement Text
Part 2 Licence Validity Period	(2) (b) the “licence termination date” means an indefinite period unless a licensed activity has not been commenced by the fifth anniversary of the licence commencement date, in which case it means the fifth anniversary of the licence commencement date.	2) (b) the “licence termination date” means an indefinite period unless a licensed activity has not been commenced by the eighth anniversary of the licence commencement date, in which case it means the eighth anniversary of the licence commencement date.
Supporting Statement		
<p>Due to the company now having new owners, Halite Energy Group requires a delay to the Deemed Marine Licence (DML) expiry date to ensure that any studies that may need to be repeated can be accommodated. These studies may be subject to seasonality implications hence it is necessary to delay the duration of the DML expiry date for at least an additional 3 years in this respect.</p> <p>The above DML Provision provides details on the proposed changes to Part 2(b) and does not have an effect on the environmental land Habitats Regulations assessment upon which the DCO and DML consent application was considered and granted.</p>		