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Your Ref :

Dear Lindsay Smith,

Request for a Direction by Secretary of State under Section 35 of the Planning Act 2008: Tarchon Energy Project

Thank you for advising Tendring District Council of your intention to submit a request to the Secretary of State for the Tarchon Energy Project, located in England and in UK waters to be directed under Section 35 of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended) (the Act). It is understood that if the Direction is made then the project will be treated as a nationally significant infrastructure project (NSIP) for which development consent is required.

I concur with the letter provided by Mark Woodger, my colleague from Essex County Council and can advise that Tendring District Council is also supportive of the request to the Secretary of State for the project to be considered nationally significant and require development consent under the aforementioned Act. Having been briefed with initial details of the project and emerging scope and type of the intended proposal, your view that it is best considered through the NSIP regime through the DCO process is acknowledged, and we concur with that view.

The proposal looks to be of national significance, for which the NSIP regime and DCO process allow for a holistic approach to assessments and consultation across multiple consenting regimes, both within onshore and offshore jurisdictions. It also offers a comprehensive framework for considering the proposals on a comparable basis to other projects which the Secretary of State has agreed should be considered of national significance, and for which development consent under the Act is required.

Tendring District Council is content for this letter to be added to your request to the Secretary of State under Section 35 of the Planning Act 2008.

Yours sincerely,

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Gary Guiver
Director of Planning and Community