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Dear Mr Hill

Sheringham Shoal Offshore Wind Farm
Notification of the need to vary the Sheringham Shoal Offshore Wind Farm S36
Consent

I refer to your letter to the District Council dated 28th October 2014, together with our meeting of Tuesday 18th November with your colleague Bjorn Ivor Vold, concerning the above.

I am grateful to you for outlining to me the following minor differences between the consented Sheringham Shoal scheme and the scheme as built:-

- the generating capacity of the consented scheme was expected to be 315MW whilst the scheme as constructed has a capacity of 316.8MW; and
- that the scheme as constructed has seen small lengths of inter-array cables serving the development being laid outside of the previous "red line boundary" of the consented scheme;

which you are now seeking to regularise through applying to the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) for a variation to the Section 36 consent which granted approval for the Sheringham Shoal offshore wind development.

As I outlined at our meeting, having discussed the content of your letter of 28th October with colleagues here at the District Council, we do not believe that the issues giving rise to the variation request have any bearing on the functions and responsibilities of the Council or any impact on local communities served by the Council. This is because the issues to be addressed through the variation order are very minor in terms of the overall scale of the approved project and because the issues arise in the marine environment, over which the District Council has no statutory responsibilities, rather than on land where the Council is the statutory planning authority.

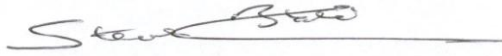
I do however appreciate you advising the District Council of the application made to DECC to regularise the consent granted for the Sheringham Shoal offshore wind farm as constructed, which reflects the very positive working relationship which has developed by between partners to the Sheringham Shoal scheme and the District Council over the past few years.

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As agreed, I have copied this letter to you to Robert Lilly at DECC who is the officer at the department handling your application to vary the Section 36, so that he is aware that the District Council has no objections to the proposed variation of the Section 36 consent.

Yours sincerely



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