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Our Ref: 003/OW/BOWL - 8

24th April 2015

Dear Mr Wilson,

**CONSENT UNDER SECTION 36 THE ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 (AS AMENDED) TO
CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE THE BEATRICE OFFSHORE WIND FARM, OUTER MORAY
FIRTH.**

Thank you for your letter dated 11th March 2015 (Ref: L000005-LET-126) requesting that Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team ("MS-LOT") provide written confirmation to discharge elements of conditions 27, 35 and 36 of the section 36 consent. Please see below for details.

Condition 35 - Pre-construction baseline cod survey

This letter confirms that MS-LOT, on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, is satisfied that the 'Pre-construction Baseline Cod Spawning Survey - Technical Report' (Revision 3, issued 06/03/2015) meets the requirements of condition 35 of the section 36 consent as a valid pre-construction baseline cod survey.

Condition 36 - Pre-construction baseline sandeel survey

This letter confirms that MS-LOT, on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, is satisfied that the 'Pre-construction Baseline Sandeel Survey - Technical Report' (Revision 2, issued 30/06/2014) meets the requirements of condition 36 of the section 36 consent as a valid pre-construction baseline sandeel survey.

Condition 27 – Project Environment Monitoring Programme (PEMP)

The above cod and sandeel reports appear to satisfy the pre-construction monitoring survey element of condition 27 however, official sign-off by MS-LOT will be delayed until the reports have first been approved by the Moray Firth Regional Advisory Group (MFRAG). MS-LOT suggest that BOWL present the cod and sandeel reports, along with the relevant section of the PEMP, for review at the next meeting of the MFRAG. Any part of the programme submitted prior to submission of the complete PEMP will require MFRAG approval prior to MS LOT sign-off.

Yours sincerely



Roger May
Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team