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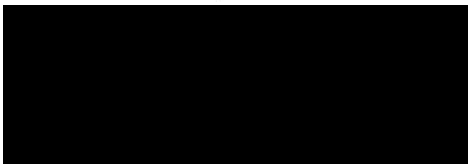
Dear Mr Wilson,

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-127) requesting that Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team ("MS-LOT") provide an indication of piling mitigation or piling restrictions in respect to herring spawning as required under condition 34 of the section 36 consent.

MS LOT will not advise on any mitigation strategy based on one year's survey data alone. As stated previously, MS-LOT request that two years of surveys are provided before any mitigation strategy be proposed and appropriate action decided. MS-LOT suggest that BOWL present the herring survey results to the Moray Firth Regional Advisory Group for consideration in order to help refine the Construction Programme in the short term.

Yours sincerely



Roger May
Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team