

**Aberdeen Offshore Wind Farm Limited**

**THE ENERGY ACT 2004**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR SAFETY ZONE SCHEME DURING CONSTRUCTION AND MAJOR MAINTENANCE OF THE EUROPEAN OFFSHORE WIND DEPLOYMENT CENTRE**

**THE ELECTRICITY (OFFSHORE GENERATING STATIONS) (SAFETY ZONES) (APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND CONTROL OF ACCESS) REGULATIONS 2007 – STATUTORY INSTRUMENT 2007 NO 1948**

Notice is hereby given that Aberdeen Offshore Wind Farm Limited (Company No SC278869) (registered offices at 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, The Tun Building, 4 Jackson's Entry, Holyrood Road, Edinburgh, Scotland, EH8 8PJ) has applied for consent from Marine Scotland as set out in the Energy Act 2004 and the Electricity (Offshore Generating Stations) (Safety Zones) (Application Procedures and Control of Access) Regulations 2007 (SI No 2007/1948) for safety zones as follows, for the previously consented Offshore Renewable Energy Installation known as the European Offshore Wind Deployment Centre, during construction and major maintenance phases.

The following safety zones are being applied for:

- During the construction phase a programme of 500 metre (m) 'rolling' safety zones around the location of each wind turbine and/or its substructures and foundations during certain construction activities (as identified by a risk assessment).
- Pre-commissioning 50 m safety zones surrounding each wind turbine and/or its substructures and foundations whilst work is not ongoing.
- During the operational phase, a 500 m safety zone around all 'major maintenance' being undertaken on any wind turbine and/or its substructures (as identified by risk assessment). Major maintenance is defined as any activity involving large vessels (such as jack-up barges or heavy lift vessels). No safety zones are planned during normal operations of the wind farm.

The precise start date and co-ordinates of the safety zones will be detailed in the Notice to Mariners prior to their implementation.

The safety zone scheme will be available for download at the following Marine Scotland link: <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/marine/Licensing/marine/scoping/EOWDC>. Alternatively, a request to receive a hard copy may be made in writing to Aberdeen Offshore Wind Farm Ltd at their registered address, given above. Any person wishing to make representations to the Secretary of State about the application should do so in writing to the Scottish Ministers, c/o Marine Scotland – Licensing Operations Team, Marine Laboratory, PO Box 101, Victoria Road, Aberdeen, AB11 9DB (EOWDC.SZA.Representations@gov.scot), stating the name of the proposal and nature of their representations, not later than 28 days from the date, or latest date of this notice.

#### Fair Processing Notice

The Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team process applications for safety zones around offshore renewable energy installations under the Energy Act 2004. During the consultation process letters of representation can be sent to the Scottish Ministers in support of or objecting to these applications. Should the Scottish Ministers call a Public Local Inquiry (PLI), copies of these representations will be sent to the Directorate of Planning and Environmental Appeals for the Reporter to consider during the inquiry. These representations will be posted on their website with address (home and email), signature and home telephone number redacted (blacked out). Copies of representations will also be issued to the developer on request, again with address (home and email), signature and home telephone number redacted. You can choose to mark your representation as confidential, in which case it will only be considered by the Scottish Ministers and will not be shared with the Planning Authority, the developer, the Reporter (should a PLI be called) or any other third party.

If you have any queries or concerns about how your personal data will be handled please visit <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/marine/Licensing/marine> or contact the Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team at: [ms.marinelicensing@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:ms.marinelicensing@scotland.gsi.gov.uk) or in writing to The Scottish Government, Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team, Marine Laboratory, 375 Victoria Road, Aberdeen, AB11 9DB.