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Dear Ms Villoria,

MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010 PART 4 MARINE LICENSING

The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (as amended)

Thank you for your correspondence dated 15th May 2017 and 19th July 2017 requesting that Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team ("MS-LOT") confirms Aberdeen Offshore Wind Farm Limited's ("AOWFL") compliance with condition 3.2.1.3 of the European Offshore Wind Deployment Centre Marine Licence ("EOWDC") (licence number: 04309/16/1).

In your correspondence you provided the following Third Party Certification ("TPC") documentation:

- Component Certificate - V164-8.0 MW with Power Mode up to 8.40 MW (Mk1A model)
- Component Certificate - V164-8.0 MW with Power Mode up to 8.40 MW (Mk1C model)
- Statement of Conformity for the Site Conditions Assessment - Comprising Rotor-Nacelle Assembly and Support Structure)

Your further correspondence dated 8th August 2017 confirmed the anticipated date of submission for the Statement of Conformity for the "*foundation detailed design*" (including the suction buckets, suction buckets when assembled with the Wind Turbine Generator ("WTG") and the suction buckets when assembled with the WTG in-situ) and requesting that MS-LOT confirm agreement with this approach.

In additional correspondence of 23rd August 2017, you provided further details regarding the finalisation of the certification for the foundation structures, including a proposal to submit the '*TPC for the foundation substructures prior to the erection of the wind turbine generators upon the foundation substructures*'.

Given the nature of the design, MS-LOT consider that it is reasonable to allow TPC to be provided in advance of when a structure is due to be installed and for the certification of the foundation structures to be provided prior to the erection of the WTG upon the foundation substructures.

MS-LOT, on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, can confirm that, based on the information provided, AOWFL is in compliance with condition 3.2.1.3 of EOWDC Marine Licence (Licence Number: 04309/16/1). MS-LOT confirms agreement with the timescales outlined in the correspondence dated 8th and 23rd August 2017 and can confirm that this programme is in compliance with the requirements of condition 3.2.1.3 of the Marine Licence (licence number 04309/16/1).

Any updates or amendments made to the timescales by the Company must be submitted in writing to the Scottish Ministers for their written approval.

The Certification for the foundation sub-structures must be provided and approved prior to the erection of any WTG.

Yours sincerely,

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