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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 21st December 2017 requesting that Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team ("MS-LOT") confirms agreement with Aberdeen Offshore Wind Farm Limited's ("AOWFLs") proposal regarding the appointment of a Marine Mammal Observer ("MMO"), to fulfil the requirements of condition 3.2.1.6 of the European Offshore Wind Deployment Centre ("EOWDC") Marine Licence (licence number: 04309/17/2).

In your correspondence you confirmed the names of the crew members who will undertake the MMO role during the foundation installation Campaign:

- Maarten Straetmans
- Neils Bleeker

These crew members in the MMO role, must maintain an accurate record of any sightings of marine mammals and maintain an accurate record of the action taken to avoid any disturbance being caused to the marine mammals. The MMO's records must be provided to MS-LOT no later than 6 months following Commencement of the Works, and at 6 monthly intervals thereafter.

MS-LOT, on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, can confirm that based on the information provided, it is reasonable that, and agree to 'a *suitably briefed member of the ship's crew*' being appointed as the MMO and that this appointment will fulfill the requirements of condition 3.2.1.6 of the European Offshore Wind Deployment Centre ("EOWDC") Marine Licence (licence number: 04309/17/2).

Yours sincerely,

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