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Dear Mr Sunier,

THE MARINE WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2017 (AS AMENDED)

MARINE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010

MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009, PART 4 MARINE LICENSING

Moray Offshore Renewables Limited (Telford Offshore Wind Farm, Stevenson Offshore Wind Farm and MacColl Offshore Wind Farm formally MORL, now Moray Offshore Windfarm (East) Limited) ("Moray East")

Offshore Transmission Infrastructure ("OfTI") Marine Licence – Condition 3.2.2.10

Thank you for your correspondence requesting that Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team ("MS-LOT") give its written approval to the revised OfTI Cable Plan ("OfTI CaP") issued on 01 December 2020.

A previous version of the OfTI CaP (issued 07 February 2019) received multi stage consent and regulatory approval from MS-LOT, on behalf of Scottish Ministers, in a decision notice dated 29 April 2019 which deemed it sufficient to fully discharge the condition, subject to it being fully implemented.

MS-LOT on behalf of the Scottish Ministers has consulted with the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, NatureScot and the Scottish Fishermen's Federation ("SFF").

The MCA raised no significant concerns with the plan on the basis that any consented cable protection works does not compromise existing and future navigation.

The SFF advised it would be beneficial to include a commitment to provide fisheries stakeholders with the new position of boulders relocated during the works.

NatureScot advised that it would be useful to include information of rock deposits compared to what was estimated in the Environmental Statement for the project.

Moray East responded to NatureScot stating that volume of rock was not a parameter used in any of the assessments within the Environmental Statement and provided NatureScot with additional information about the cable protection parameters that were assessed. NatureScot confirmed that their point had been fully addressed.

On 15 December 2020 Moray East provided the amended OfTI cable plan to address the point made by the SFF.

I can confirm that the updated OfTI cable plan fulfils the requirements of, and is sufficient to discharge condition 3.2.2.10 of the OfTI marine licence, subject to it being fully implemented.

MS-LOT, on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, therefore confirms its approval of the updated OfTI cable plan (issued 1 December 2020). Any further updates or amendments made to the OfTI cable plan (including updates to any of its appendices), must be submitted in writing by Moray East to the Scottish Ministers for its written approval prior to the planned implementation of the proposed amendments or updates.

Yours sincerely

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