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Dear Mrs Pirie,

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

The Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2000

Moray Offshore Renewables Limited (Telford Offshore Wind Farm and Stevenson Offshore Wind Farm formally known as MORL, now known as Moray Offshore Windfarm (East) Limited “Moray East”)

Section 36 consent – Condition 33 Herring: Telford Offshore Wind Farm
Section 36 consent – Condition 33 Herring: Stevenson Offshore Wind Farm

Thank you for your correspondence of 9th January 2017, enclosing a “Proposal and Scope of Works: Herring Larval Monitoring” report (your reference: MORL-HLM-SoW). You have requested that Marine Scotland Licensing Operations Team (“MS-LOT”) give their written approval to the report and methodologies detailed.

Acceptance of the report and methodologies will partially satisfy the requirements of conditions 33 of the Telford and Stevenson Offshore Wind Farms section 36 Consents, awarded on 19th March 2014, in what concerns the agreement by the Scottish Ministers of the methodology of the herring surveys, in order to mitigate the risk of adverse impacts on all life stages of herring in the Orkney/Shetland stock.

MS-LOT, on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, have sought advice from Marine Scotland Science (“MSS”) and held a joint meeting with Moray East and MSS on 29th November 2016 to discuss and refine the methodologies submitted.

This letter confirms that MS-LOT are in agreement with the methodologies for the herring surveys and can therefore confirm, on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, that this partially fulfils the requirement of, and is sufficient to partially discharge, conditions 33 of the section 36 Consents awarded to the Telford and Stevenson Offshore Wind Farms on 19th March 2014, in what concerns the approval of the herring surveys methodology by the Scottish Ministers.

Yours sincerely

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