ORIEL WINDFARM
OFFSHORE RENEWABLE ENERGY

9th August 2022

Foreshore Unit,
Department of the Housing, Local Government and Heritage,
Newtown Road,
Co. Wexford.

Your Reference: FS007383

Re: Oriel Foreshore Licence Second Consultation – Response to Submission by Prescribed Bodies

Dear Sirs,

Thank you for forwarding the prescribed body observations on the Stage 2 AA consultation for the foreshore licence application by Oriel Windfarm Ltd (Oriel). We have prepared the following response in relation to these observations, noting that there are no specific requests for additional information. Please contact us if anything further is required.

1. **Foreshore Marine Advisor (Engineering)**

The Foreshore Marine Advisor (Engineering) had no further observations to make.

Oriel can confirm that we will ensure that our contractors comply with the conditions proposed by the Marine Advisor in the first submission.

2. **Foreshore Marine Advisor (Environment)**

The Marine Advisor (Environment) concluded in their initial consultation response that a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment was required. The first consultation response also stated that they have no objection to the application subject to a complete environmental assessment.

The Marine Advisor (Environment) had no further observations to make and would provide site specific conditions once the environmental assessment process is complete. Oriel confirm that all site specific licence conditions will be complied with in full.

3. **Marine Institute**

The Marine Institute had no further observations to make in response to the Stage 2 consultation and highlighted the current consultation on sea fisheries in Natura 2000 areas to the DHLGH.

4. **Inland Fisheries Ireland**

Inland Fisheries Ireland stated that they have no further comment to make on this application. We refer to the response submitted previously to the submission received by Inland Fisheries Ireland during the 1st

consultation. We can confirm that all site investigations will be undertaken in compliance with all relevant measures in the IFI ''guidelines on Protection of Fisheries during Construction Work in and Adjacent to Waters (IFI 2006)''.

5. Commissioner of Irish Lights

We note the observation from the Commissioner of Irish Lights in relation to the Dunany Buoy. With reference to the ''Site Investigation Foreshore Map'', drawing number FL005, submitted as part of our application which outlines the location of planned survey works. We can confirm that no geotechnical drilling work will be undertaken in proximity to the Dunany Light, also no data collection buoys will be deployed near to the Dunany Light. All geophysical survey works will avoid proximity to the buoy to avoid any potential damage to the survey equipment and the buoy itself. Oriel commits to prepare a survey line plan to ensure a safe distance from the Dunany buoy during geophysical survey operations. We are open to discussions with the Commissioners to agree a formal separation distance, if required.

Yours Sincerely,

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Consents Manager
Oriel Wind Farm Ltd.