Dear Mr Pearce,

Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 Section 72

Marine Licence - Notice of Variation

Ref: MLA/2013/00436/2)

The Marine Management Organisation (MMO), as the Licensing Authority, has now completed its consideration of your variation request dated 6 March 2017 under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 to install and operate a 1400 megawatt submarine interconnector cable between mean high water springs (MHWS) at Cambois Beach North, close to Blyth in the UK and the English territorial waters limit (12nm). The application also covered cable protection at a cable crossing location.

After careful consideration of all the evidence submitted to the MMO, notice is hereby given that the MMO varies the marine licence in accordance with section 72(3)(d) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009. The marine licence authorising the proposed marine activity is hereby attached with this letter.

Since this licence constitutes a statutory consent, the terms and conditions set out therein must be complied with in full and are also binding upon any agent or sub-contractor who undertakes any activity to which it refers on your behalf. You are therefore advised to read the document carefully.

This variation has immediate effect from the date of this notice.

Appealing a decision

In accordance with regulation 3 of The Marine Licensing (Notices Appeals) Regulations 2011, you may appeal the notice of variation to the First-tier Tribunal. If you wish to appeal then in accordance with Rule 22(1)(b) of the Tribunal Procedure
(First-tier Tribunal) (General Regulatory Chamber) Rules 2009 (SI 2009/1976) you have 28 days from the date of the sending of this Notice to send or deliver a notice of appeal to the First-tier Tribunal.

A copy of notes for the guidance of persons wishing to appeal a licensing decision is available on request.

**Additional consents**

I would further advise you that the issue of this marine licence does not absolve you from seeking any other consents or approvals which may be required before you embark upon the works to which it refers. For example, Planning Consent is often necessary for works to be undertaken above the low water mark. In addition, agreement may be required from any land owner having proprietary rights over the seabed and foreshore - commonly the Crown Estate Commissioners. In some cases approval of the Environment Agency may also be necessary (e.g. where the works involve a discharge or have implications for flood defences).

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Finally, if you have any queries or require clarification of any of the terms or conditions of the licence, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely

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