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The Hornsea Four Offshore Wind Farm Order 2023

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THE HORNSEA FOUR OFFSHORE WIND FARM ORDER 2023

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3. (1) Without limitation to the scope of paragraph 1, the...
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6. The following provisions of the 1965 Act (which state the...
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4. No acquisition etc. except by agreement
5. Removal of apparatus
6. Facilities and rights for alternative apparatus
7. Retained apparatus
8. (1) Subject to the following provisions of this paragraph, the...
9. Expenses and costs
10. Nothing in this Part of this Schedule affects the provisions...

PART 2 — PROTECTION FOR OPERATORS OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS CODE NETWORKS

1. For the protection of any operator, the following provisions, unless...
2. In this Part of this Schedule— “conduit system” has the...
3. The exercise of the powers of article 30 (statutory undertakers)...
4. (1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (2) to (4), if as the...
5. This Part of this Schedule does not apply to—
6. Nothing in this Part of this Schedule affects the provisions...

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2. Interpretation
3. Except for paragraphs 4 (apparatus of National Grid in streets...
4. Apparatus of National Grid in streets subject to temporary closure

5. Protective works to buildings
6. Acquisition of land
7. Removal of apparatus
8. Facilities and rights for alternative apparatus
9. Retained apparatus: Protection of National Grid as Electricity Undertaker
10. Expenses
11. Indemnity
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19. Except for paragraphs 20 (apparatus of National Grid in streets...
20. Apparatus of National Grid in streets subject to temporary closure
21. Protective works to buildings
22. Acquisition of land
23. Removal of apparatus
24. Facilities and rights for alternative apparatus
25. Retained apparatus: protection of National Grid as Gas Undertaker
26. Expenses
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29. Co-operation
30. Access
31. Arbitration
32. Notices

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1. The provisions of this Part of this Schedule have effect,...
2. In this Part of this Schedule— “asset protection agreement” means...
3. (1) Where under this Part of this Schedule Network Rail...
4. (1) The undertaker must not exercise the powers conferred by—...
5. (1) The undertaker must not submit the construction traffic management...
6. (1) The undertaker must before commencing construction of any specified...
7. (1) Any specified work and any protective works to be...
8. The undertaker must— (a) at all times afford reasonable facilities...
9. Network Rail must at all times afford reasonable facilities to...
10. (1) If any permanent or temporary alterations or additions to...
11. The undertaker must repay to Network Rail all reasonable fees,...
12. (1) In this paragraph— “EMI” means, subject to sub-paragraph (2),...
13. If at any time after the completion of a specified...
14. The undertaker must not provide any illumination or illuminated sign...
15. Any additional expenses which Network Rail may reasonably incur in...
16. (1) The undertaker must pay to Network Rail all reasonable...
17. Network Rail must, on receipt of a request from the...
18. In the assessment of any sums payable to Network Rail...
19. The undertaker and Network Rail may, subject in the case...

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20. Nothing in this Order, or in any enactment incorporated with...
21. The undertaker must give written notice to Network Rail if...
22. The undertaker must no later than 28 days from the...
23. In relation to any dispute arising under this Part of...

PART 5 — FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

1. (1) The following provisions shall apply for the protection of...
2. (1) Before beginning to construct any specified work, the undertaker...
3. Without limiting paragraph 2, the requirements which the Agency may...
4. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), any specified work, and all...
5. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (6) the undertaker must from the...
6. Subject to paragraph 9, if by reason of the construction...
7. If by reason of construction of the specified work the...
8. (1) The undertaker must take all such measures as may...
9. The undertaker shall indemnify the Agency in respect of all...
10. (1) The undertaker is responsible for and shall indemnify the...
11. Any dispute arising between the undertaker and the Agency under...

PART 6 — FOR THE PROTECTION OF DRAINAGE AUTHORITIES

1. The provisions of this Part have effect for the protection...
2. In this Part of this Schedule— “construction” includes execution, placing,...
3. (1) Before commencing construction of a specified work, the undertaker...
4. Without limiting paragraph 3, the requirements which the drainage authority...
5. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), any specified work, and all...
6. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (5), the undertaker must from the...
7. Subject to paragraphs 9 and 10 and paragraph 6(5)(b), if...
8. If by reason of the construction of the specified work...
9. The undertaker must make reasonable compensation for costs, charges and...
10. (1) The undertaker must make reasonable compensation for costs and...
11. The fact that any work or thing has been executed...
12. Any dispute arising between the undertaker and the drainage authority...

PART 7 — FOR THE PROTECTION OF DOGGERBANK OFFSHORE
WIND FARM PROJECT 1 PROJCO LIMITED AND
DOGGERBANK OFFSHORE WIND FARM PROJECT 2 PROJCO
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1. For the protection of Doggerbank Offshore Wind Farm Project 1...
2. Part 1 of Schedule 9 shall not apply in respect...
3. In this Part of this Schedule— “acceptable insurance” means a...
4. Regulation of powers over the Hornsea Four Order land
5. Co-operation during construction
6. (1) Wherever in this Part of this Schedule provision is...
7. Insofar as the construction of the Hornsea Four authorised development...
8. Insofar as the construction of the Hornsea Four authorised development...
9. Protection of Dogger Bank
10. Expenses
11. Indemnity
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1. Application
2. In the event that the licence is terminated and no...
3. Interpretation
4. Restriction on authorised development

5. Provision of information

6. Compensation

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(YORKSHIRE) PLC

1. Application

2. In this Part of this Schedule— “alternative apparatus” means alternative...

3. Precedence of the 1991 Act in respect of apparatus in the streets

4. No acquisition etc. except by agreement

5. Removal of apparatus

6. Facilities and rights for alternative apparatus

7. Retained apparatus

8. (1) Save where otherwise agreed in writing between Northern Powergrid...

9. Expenses and costs

10. Nothing in this Part of this Schedule affects the provisions...

11. Co-operation

12. Access

13. Notices

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1. Application

2. In the event that— (a) the no licence is granted...

3. Interpretation

4. Protected area

5. No later than 6 months after the coming into force...

6. Line of orientation

7. Crossing and proximity

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PERENCO UK LIMITED, PREMIER OIL E&P UK EU
LIMITED, DANA PETROLEUM (E&P) LIMITED AND DANA
PETROLEUM LIMITED

1. Application

2. Interpretation

3. Restriction on authorised development

4. In the event the licensee’s works commence prior to the...

5. Coexistence and proximity agreement

6. Provision of information

7. Compensation

8. Nothing in this Part of this Schedule shall affect any...

9. Arbitration

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GENERATION ASSETS

PART 1 — LICENSED MARINE ACTIVITIES

1. (1) In this licence— “the 2004 Act” means the Energy...

2. Details of licensed marine activities

3. Such activities described in paragraph 2 are authorised in relation...

4. The substances or articles authorised for deposit at sea are—...

5. The grid coordinates for that part of the authorised development...

6. General provisions

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7. The provisions of section 72 (variation, suspension, revocation and transfer)...
8. With respect to any condition which requires the licensed activities...
9. Any amendments to or variations from the approved details, plan...
PART 2 — CONDITIONS
1. Design parameters
2. (1) The total number of offshore accommodation platforms forming part...
3. (1) The total length of the cables in Work No....
4. Maintenance of the authorised development
5. Vessels under the undertaker's control
6. Extension of time periods
7. Notifications and inspections
8. Aids to navigation
9. Colouring of structures
10. Aviation safety
11. Chemicals, drilling and debris
12. Force majeure
13. Pre-construction plans and documentation
14. (1) Except where otherwise stated or agreed in writing with...
15. Offshore safety management
16. Reporting of engaged agents, contractors and vessels
17. Pre-construction monitoring and surveys
18. Construction monitoring
19. Post-construction monitoring
20. Timing of monitoring report
21. Reporting of impact pile driving
22. Maintenance reporting
23. Stages of construction
24. Completion of construction
25. The undertaker must submit a close out report to the...
26. Deployment of cable protection
27. Southern North Sea Special Area of Conservation Site Integrity Plan

SCHEDULE 12 — DEEMED MARINE LICENCE UNDER THE 2009 ACT –
TRANSMISSION ASSETS

PART 1 — LICENSED MARINE ACTIVITIES

1. (1) In this licence— “the 2004 Act” means the Energy...
2. Details of licensed marine activities
3. Such activities are authorised in relation to the construction, maintenance...
4. The substances or articles authorised for deposit at sea are—...
5. The grid coordinates for that part of the authorised development...
6. General provisions
7. The provisions of section 72 (variation, suspension, revocation and transfer)...
8. With respect to any condition which requires the licensed activities...
9. Any amendments to or variations from the approved details, plan...

PART 2 — CONDITIONS

1. Design parameters
2. The total length of the cables and the volume of...
3. (1) The total length of the cables in Work No....
4. Maintenance of the authorised development
5. Vessels under the undertaker's control
6. Extension of time periods

7. Notifications and inspections
8. Aids to navigation
9. Colouring of structures
10. Aviation safety
11. Chemicals, drilling and debris
12. Force majeure
13. Pre-construction plans and documentation
14. (1) Except where otherwise stated or agreed in writing with...
15. Offshore safety management
16. Reporting of engaged agents, contractors and vessels
17. Pre-construction monitoring and surveys
18. Construction monitoring
19. Post-construction monitoring
20. Timing of monitoring report
21. Reporting of impact pile driving
22. HVAC booster station lighting plan
23. Piling restriction
24. Maintenance reporting
25. Stages of construction
26. Completion of construction
27. Deployment of cable protection
28. Southern North Sea Special Area of Conservation Site Integrity Plan

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1. Schedule 12 to the Dogger Bank Creyke Beck Offshore Wind Farm Order 2015

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1. In this Schedule— “the FFC” means the site designated as...
2. Work Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 together with...
PART 2 — KITTIWAKE COMPENSATION
3. Following consultation with the H4 OOEG, the KCIMP must be...
4. The undertaker must implement the measures set out in the...
5. The undertaker must notify the Secretary of State of completion...

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6. Results from the monitoring scheme must be submitted at least...
7. The artificial nesting structure must not be decommissioned without prior...
8. The KCIMP approved under this Schedule includes any amendments that...
9. In the event of any conflict between the terms of...
PART 3 — GUILLEMOT COMPENSATION
10. Following consultation with the H4 OOEG, the GCIMP must be...
11. The undertaker must carry out the predator eradication method and...
12. The undertaker must notify the Secretary of State of completion...
13. The GCIMP approved under this Schedule includes any amendments that...
14. In the event of any conflict between the terms of...

Explanatory Note