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Dear Anthony,

RenewableUK consultation response to Ofgem's proposals to modify Standard Licence Conditions 14 and 15 of the electricity generation licence

Introduction

RenewableUK is the trade and professional body for the UK wind and marine renewables industries. Formed in 1978, and with over 660 corporate members, RenewableUK is the leading renewable energy trade association in the UK, representing the large majority of the UK's wind, wave, and tidal energy companies. The association's response aims to represent these industries, aided by the expertise and knowledge of our members.

Response

We are supportive of Ofgem's proposal to modify provision for the exercise of compulsory powers in Standard Licence Condition (SLC) 14 (Compulsory Acquisition of Land etc.) and SLC 15 (Other powers etc.) of the electricity generation licence.

The general review of SLC 14 and SLC 15 carried out by Ofgem helps in tidying up the drafting of the conditions and in removing duplication, thus making it a more user friendly document. This will have a positive impact on offshore wind deployment, by providing developers with more clarity with regards to the powers they will be allowed to use under the under the Electricity Act 1989. Furthermore, we welcome Ofgem's clarification on the scope of the Electricity Act 1989 compulsory acquisition powers as applied by standard condition 14, confirming that those powers are capable of being exercised in connection with activities ancillary to the construction of a generating station.

Yours sincerely,

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