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TO:

Marc Murray  
Floventis Energy  
Via Email

Dear Mr Murray

**Electricity Act 1989**

**The Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2017 ('the 2017 Regulations')**

**Proposed Developments: Llŷr 1 and Llŷr 2 (approx. 100MW each) floating offshore wind Demonstration Projects:**

Two floating offshore wind demonstration projects that will use two different floating offshore wind platform technologies, each with the expected following key attributes:

- Consist of turbines with a rating of between 12 to 20 MW per turbine.
- Up to 7 turbines per project.
- Each project grouping of turbines will have inter-array cables connecting to a central offshore substation (one offshore substation for each project).
- Each project will have up to two offshore export cables to landfall.
- The projects will have a minimum operational life of 25 years.

**Developer:**

Floventis Energy

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**Location:**

The projects are located within two 50 km<sup>2</sup> areas of search in the approaches to the Bristol Channel in the Celtic Sea, approximately 40 km offshore.

These projects will be subject to both an application for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 and for a Marine Licence under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.

Section 36 (10) of the Electricity Act 1989 provides that the Welsh Ministers are the appropriate authority in respect of applications for S36 consent for generating stations which when constructed or extended do not exceed 350 MW. Planning and Environment Decisions Wales is authorised to undertake work in respect of these applications for the Welsh Ministers.

For the purposes of Regulation 39 (11) of the 2017 Regulations, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) is the Licensing Authority in respect of applications for a Marine Licence in the Welsh inshore area and the Welsh offshore area.

In accordance with Regulation 39 of the 2017 Regulations, I hereby serve notice that, in respect of the above proposed developments, the Welsh Ministers are satisfied that:

- a) NRW will undertake an assessment of any significant effect on the environment under the Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007.
- b) The marine works assessment will be sufficient to meet the requirements of the EIA Directive.
- c) NRW will make the results of the marine works assessment (and any information relating to that assessment that the Welsh Ministers may reasonable require) available to the Welsh Ministers for the purposes of determining the application/s under S36 of the Electricity Act 1989.

Therefore, under powers provided by Regulation 39 (2) of the 2017 Regulations, the Welsh Ministers have decided there is no need to assess the environmental effects of these proposed developments under the 2017 Regulations. Paragraphs (3) to (10) of Regulation 39 of the 2017 Regulations will now apply to the determination of the S36 application/s.

Accordingly, any application for these projects under S36 of the Electricity Act 1989 cannot proceed to a final determination until NRW has concluded the marine works assessment.

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Yours sincerely,

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