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Offshore Wind Phase Two Consultation
International and Offshore Energy Division
Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications
29-31 Adelaide Road
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Date: 09 March 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Offshore Wind – Phase Two Consultation

daa plc, Head Office, Dublin Airport, Co. Dublin, welcomes publication of the Offshore Wind – Phase Two Consultation by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications.

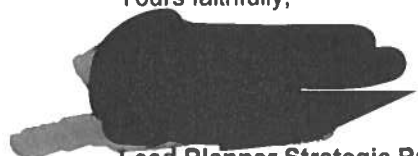
daa is supportive of the accelerated development of zero carbon energy projects, such as offshore wind generation, to aid industries such as aviation to meet 2030 targets. This should be done in the most efficient manner possible to maximise benefits of the delivery of this power to end users. daa has made a commitment to reach Net Zero emissions by 2050, and a critical component of achieving this is ensuring access to a safe, secure and sustainable energy supply.

As an island, Ireland has an abundance of opportunities available in the space of renewable energy generation, particularly off our seaboard. This represents a significant economic opportunity for our country.

We recognise that the delivery of offshore wind projects will aid in reducing and eventually eliminating Ireland's current dependence on foreign fossil fuels. Further, the use of hybrid connections will facilitate the roll-out of offshore wind in Ireland in a timely, sustainable and efficient manner and will in addition make an important contribution to Ireland's security of electricity supply. In conclusion, continued momentum is needed by Government to ensure the building blocks for the development of offshore wind and other renewables are implemented efficiently and without delay through the application of progressive planning, policy and regulatory frameworks.

Should you have any queries regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,

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Lead Planner Strategic Projects