

To the point of contacts in Germany, Poland and Sweden:

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**Notification to Sweden, Germany and Poland pursuant to Article 7 of Directive 2011/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment concerning the establishment of a total of 450MW nearshore wind farms in Danish territorial waters.**

On the basis of the Danish energy policy agreement of 22 March 2012, which was established between a broad majority of Danish parties in the Danish Parliament (the Folketing), the Danish government has decided to put out to tender a number of nearshore areas for the expansion of Danish offshore wind power by 450MW. The 450MW are to be distributed across six sites with a maximum of 200MW per site, however only 50MW near Bornholm. *North Sea (north)*, *North Sea (south)*, *Sæby in Kattegat*, *Sejerø Bugt*, *Smålandsfarvandet*, and *Rønne Banke* near Bornholm.

As it is assumed the wind farm projects at *North Sea (south)*, *Rønne Banke*, and *Sæby in Kattegat* could have an impact on the environment in Germany, Poland and Sweden, these projects will be made subject to consultations pursuant to the Danish Executive Order no. 68 of 26 January 2012 on environmental impact assessments (EIA) in connection with projects to establish offshore electricity production plants. The Executive Order concerned implements Article 7 of Directive 2011/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment, which implements Article 3 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (ESPOO) of 25 February 1991.

Please find enclosed the Danish Energy Agency's maps with indication of the preliminary survey areas for which the EIA reports, as well as geotechnical and geophysical analyses, must be performed (Annex 1), as well as the coordinates for the preliminary survey areas, in-

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cluding a brief description of the marine preliminary surveys (scoping) on which the EIA must be based (Annex 2).

The Danish Minister for Climate, Energy and Building has instructed the Danish TSO, Energinet.dk, to perform preliminary surveys and prepare EIA reports. Pursuant to section 25 of the Promotion of Renewable Energy Act (Act no. 1330 of 25 November 2013), the Danish Energy Agency is responsible for granting construction approvals for each offshore wind farm on the basis of the EIA report.

The Danish Energy Agency therefore kindly asks for

- The acknowledgement of receipt of this letter.
- Indication of whether the recipients of this letter want to participate in the public consultation procedure on EIAs for the nearshore wind farms
- Possible comments for the scope of the EIA at this stage from Authorities and / or the public if it is procedure to involve the public at this stage. (The EIA will later be sent into public hearing.)

Please notify the requested information to Ms. Christina Bergendorff (Espoo Point of Contact) at the Danish Nature Agency via [Jur@nst.dk](mailto:Jur@nst.dk) and [cberg@nst.dk](mailto:cberg@nst.dk) and to Ms. Stine Poulsen at the Danish Energy Agency via [spo@ens.dk](mailto:spo@ens.dk), **no later than 27 March 2014**.

For further information about the project please contact Mr. Hans Martin Kühl at the Danish Energy Agency on e-mail [hmk@ens.dk](mailto:hmk@ens.dk) or telephone: +45 3392 6807.

**Enclosed:**

1. Maps with indication of the preliminary survey areas *North Sea (north)*, *North Sea (south)*, *Sæby in Kattegat*, *Sejerø Bugt*, *Smålandsfarvandet*, and *Rønne Banke* near Bornholm (Annex 1).
2. Coordinates for the preliminary survey areas, including a brief description of the marine preliminary surveys on which the EIA must be based (Annex 2).

Yours sincerely

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