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Draft Environmental Statement Chapter 6 Appendix A Statement for Planning

Appendix A – Statement for Planning

The statement below is intended solely as an explanation of the joint optioneering process to agree the geographical location of the Onshore Interface Points between Forewind and National Grid for the initial four Dogger Bank Offshore Windfarm projects.

- 1.1 When developing options to connect new generation to the Transmission System, National Grid must ensure that the Transmission System continues to comply with relevant obligations in respect of security and quality of supply. Also, National Grid must ensure that the connection offered meets the requirements of Forewind where applicable.
- 1.2 The joint assessment work considered options for the connection of each of the Dogger Bank Offshore Windfarm projects. The purpose for each assessment was to identify a preferred Onshore Interface Point for each project. Assessments were made of each of the options identified for the connection of the Dogger Bank Offshore Windfarm projects 1-4. A sequential assessment approach was used to ensure that the overall impact of the additional export capacity on the Transmission System was properly assessed.
- 1.3 From the results of this joint comparative assessment of possible Onshore Interface Points, National Grid and Forewind agreed that:
 - a. Creyke Beck substation should be progressed as the preferred option for the connection of two of the Dogger Bank Offshore Windfarm projects to the Transmission System.
 - b. Lackenby substation should be progressed as the preferred option for the connection of two of the Dogger Bank Offshore Windfarm projects to the Transmission System.