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# NOTICE TO MARINERS – Geotechnical Investigations at Dogger Bank (02)

Notice is hereby given that Fugro GeoConsulting Limited (Fugro) will be conducting a Geotechnical Investigation within the UK Sector of the Central North Sea on behalf of Forewind, in the Dogger Bank Wind Farm Zone. Fugro currently estimate that the proposed work will take place from late September 2010 through to late October/Early November 2010, and will utilise the Dynamically Positioned Geotechnical Drilling Vessels the MV Fugro Commander, the MV Gargano and the MV Fugro Saltire (see attached vessel information, below).

## 1. INTRODUCTION (SURVEY LOCATION)

The Dogger Bank Wind Farm Zone is located approximately 70 kilometres from Flamborough Head, in the UK Sector of the Central North Sea. The entire survey area will cover an area of approximately 8656km² within water depths of between approximately 20 and 60m. The initial Geotechnical Investigation (Phase 1) is anticipated to comprise of forty Geotechnical Boreholes and one hundred Seabed Cone Penetration Tests (CPT's) with the majority of these works being conducted over the south western third of the Zone.

Figure 1 below shows the extents of the Geotechnical Investigation survey area.

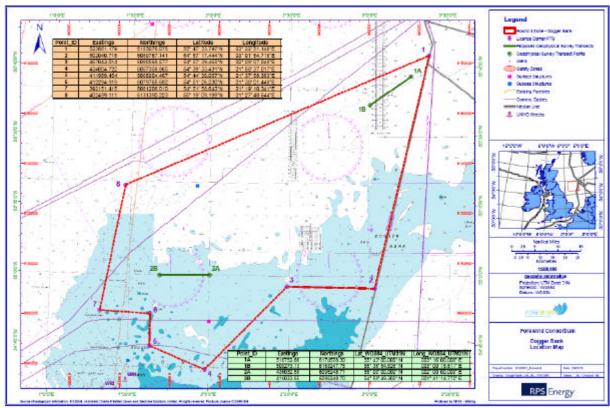


Figure 1. Outline of Dogger Bank Zone



The Dogger Bank co-ordinates are summarised as:

Table 1-1: Dogger Bank Boundary

Eastings	Northings	Latitude	Longitude
523881.179	6183076.076	55° 47' 33.797"N	03° 22' 51.146"E
502040.715	6089767.141	54° 57' 17.444"N	03° 01' 54.718"E
467043.014	6090568.577	54° 57' 39.465"N	02° 29' 07.048"E
434004.722	6057358.865	54° 39' 33.431"N	01° 58' 37.017"E
411989.454	6066904.467	54° 44' 30.067"N	01° 37′ 58.383″E
412294.919	6079765.682	54° 51' 26.230"N	01° 38' 01.448"E
392151.415	6081206.010	54° 51' 58.643"N	01° 19' 10.341"E
402499.111	6131390.223	55° 19' 09.199"N	01° 27' 48.644"E

(Projected coordinate Ref. system WGS 84 UTM zone 31 N)

#### 2. VESSELS

Fugro propose to utilise the following three Dynamically Positioned Geotechnical Drilling vessels, the MV Fugro Commander, the MV Gargano and the MV Fugro Saltire to carry out the required site operations.

MV Fugro Commander (Figure 2), a 56m dynamically positioned geotechnical vessel, fitted with a gantry, A frame and marine crane and will be carrying out seabed CPT's through a centrally located moonpool.



Figure 2. MV Fugro Commander

Fugro Commander Communications	Details
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MV Gargano (Figure 3), a 72m geotechnical drill ship fitted with an R50 heave compensated drilling rig, will be drilling geotechnical boreholes, through a centrally located moonpool.



Figure 3. MV Gargano

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MV Fugro Saltire (Figure 4), a 111m (LOA) purpose built dynamically positioned geotechnical vessel complete fitted with an R100 heave compensated drilling rig, will also be drilling geotechnical boreholes, through a centrally located moonpool.



Figure 4. MV Fugro Saltire



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Each of the three geotechnical vessels will be operating on a 24 hour basis (weather permitting). Throughout survey operations, the vessels will be displaying the appropriate lights and shapes as required under the COLREGS Rule 27 (b) and requests other vessels maintain a wide berth and pass at slow speed.

#### 3. WORK SCHEDULE

The proposed work schedule for the Geotechnical survey is shown below in Table 2.

Vessel	Anticipated number of days on site	Estimated start date (week commencing)	Estimated completion date (week commencing)
MV Fugro Commander	42	27 <sup>th</sup> September 2010 (mid to end of week 39)	8 <sup>th</sup> November 2010 (week 45)
MV Gargano	21	20 <sup>th</sup> September 2010 (end of week 38)	11 <sup>th</sup> October 2010 (week 41)
MV Fugro Saltire	28	4 <sup>th</sup> October 2010 (week 40)	25th October 2010 (end of week 43)

Table 2. Proposed work schedule

<u>Please note that the dates specified above are based upon our current vessel planning and is therefore subject to change, if appropriate an updated NTM will be submitted with as much notice as possible.</u>

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# 5. SUMMARY

The contents of this notice are based upon our current understanding of Forewind's project requirements and upon Fugro's planning at the time of submission. It should be noted that Fugro will endeavour to update this notice as required.

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